

Minutes
Board of Public Works
March 5, 2018

The Board of Public Works of the City of Tecumseh, Nebraska met in regular session in the Council Chambers of City Hall on the 5th day of March, 2018 at 4:00 p.m., in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice, a copy of the same showing the advance time by which such advance publicized notice was given, a statement of how the availability of an agenda of then known subjects was communicated and the time and specific place of the holding of this meeting. Each member was previously furnished with a copy of said advance publicized notice, the same having been transmitted to each member simultaneously with its publicized notice. The Chair presided and the City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

The following members of the Board of Public Works were present: Dan Blessing and Lynn Campbell. Absent: None. Others present: 4 staff members, City Attorney, and 1 member of the media.

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M.

Chairman Blessing read the statement of availability of current copy of the Open Meetings Act.

Minutes of the February 5, 2018 meeting were provided to members via mail. Motion by Blessing, second by Campbell to approve the minutes as received. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Murphy. Motion Carried.

Payment of Bills – Motion by Blessing, second by Campbell to approve the payment of bills. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Murphy. Motion Carried.

Water/Wastewater Report. Casey Bohling provided the report to the board. The fluoride samples are back to normal, 1 meter was replaced on the square, the Cross Connection survey was mailed out, fixed a water leak on the MBA fire line, staff updated the emergency contact list, and had an NDEQ inspection on Feb. 26th.

Utility Foremen's Report – Doug Goracke and Mike Davision provided the report to the board. Contractors have been reviewing the Ring Bus Electrical Project for bidding – hope we will have about 6 bids for the project – bid opening is on March 8th. Staff continues discussions with the Fair Board about an overhead line replacement project – would replace overhead lines with mostly underground lines – likely split cost, but City would need to pay cost upfront and get reimbursed when they receive their tax proceeds. Staff has been ordering some of the supplies for the ring bus project. The new booster pump for the water tower should arrive any time – then we need to decide whether to rebuild or replace the old one. Waiting for final approval from DHHS on the Well #6 project – should be approved shortly so we can get started on the project. Staff is reviewing options to replace the drive on backup wells with a generator or other options. Looking into grant options to assist with cost. Will be doing engine testing on April 10th & 11th – the old catalysts were cleaned – some may not pass during testing, so the new ones may be utilized right away. Staff is working on the emergency plan for the power plant, and has been doing street patching around town.

Replace Engine Catalyst “Bricks - \$13,000 – Motion by Campbell, second by Blessing to approve the purchase of 5 full catalyts. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Murphy. Motion Carried.

Clerk’s Report : Legislation Update from League of Municipalities – Lisa provided the board and staff with a list of bills that the League is following. They may want to review these bills for possible impacts to the City.

Water/Wastewater Treatment Gas Building Repairs – Staff is researching possible companies that could provide maintenance and repairs to the gas building equipment. Received one proposal from Utility Service, but have not had time to review it yet. Will review this offer and seek additional proposals to compare. Table until April meeting.

Replace Fuel Tanks at Power Plant – Staff received one bid from Yant Testing, Supply & Equipment to replace all tanks at the power plant with one larger, double wall tank and necessary accessories. Staff will seek additional bids. Table until April meeting.

Purchase hose for old Jet Truck – Staff would like to purchase a new hose for the old truck. We were not able to sell the truck for what it is worth, so would like to continue using it for out of town jobs. Motion by Campbell, second by Blessing to approve purchase of new jet truck hose for \$3,900. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Murphy. Motion Carried.

Supplement to Franchise Agreement with Unite Private Networks for Town & Country Vet and Mainstreet Bank projects – Bruce Dalluge explained request and that no action is needed by the Board. City Council will take action on the request. Just wanted to inform the Board of this agreement.

Utility Deposit at 440 N. 12th Street, Suite G – Board discussed utility bill history over several years and set the new utility deposit for this property to \$2,000. Motion by Blessing, second by Campbell to set utility deposit to \$2,000 for above mentioned property. Voting Aye: Blessing, Campbell. Voting Nay: None. Not Present: Murphy. Motion Carried.

Accounts Receivable/Delinquent Accounts Report – The board reviewed the list of delinquent accounts and accounts that have been disconnected or in collections. Also reviewed the miscellaneous accounts receivable report.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Lisa Beethe, City Clerk

Dan Blessing, Chairman