

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MEETING
APRIL 1, 2005
TIME: 8:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mike Riley and Glenn Tebbe. Mayor Manus was absent.

Meeting was chaired by City Attorney Steve Taylor.

All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes were approved.

Street Commissioner, Ralph Land brought three quotes for a new dump truck. Wabash Ford \$70,130; Shirk's International \$62,729 and Stoop's Freightliner \$71,181. These would also have the salt box and snow blade.

Ralph told that they would need to have the Mayor to borrow the monies from a bank. The truck that needs replacing is a 1986 and originally had planned on trading it in, but would only get \$4000 and Ralph talked to Jeff Smith, Wastewater Superintendent, he could use the truck down there.

It would take three months to put the truck together, so at this time the financing of it would need to wait till later.

Motion by Mike Riley and seconded by Glenn Tebbe to approve the truck purchase and to take the low quote, being Shirk's International pending Council approve for the financing. So passed.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to have a company fix the broken wires, rebulbing and relensing of the 26 traffic lights that the City took over from the State at a cost of \$5500. So passed.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to approve the Springmeyer Land Contract. So passed.

Darren Burkhart of HNTB told the Board that they are watching SB 620 which is CSO legislation. It looks like it might pass and then he will need to get the packages ready for the City, but the City has done so much of the information needed that they will be in good shape.

Darren also brought an Amendment for the Northwest Side Sewer Extension Replacement, Phase, the amendment to the contract is for engineering services for additional sewer replacement along Anderson and North Streets for signatures.

Motion by Mike Riley and seconded by Glenn Tebbe to approve Amendment for signatures. So passed.

Police Chief Bill Meyerrose requested the purchase of one police car since they have replaced two that have been involved in wrecks. The Columbus Ford dealer would not give a quote. Other quotes were from Don Meyer Ford for \$21,448 and with additional equipment and installation of \$2058 and a trade-in of \$4000, total price being \$19,506. Bloomington Ford quoted \$21,460 plus \$2058 and trade-in \$4000, total price being \$19,518.

Quotes for financing were MainSource at 3.99% and First Federal at 3.50%.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to approve the purchase from Don Meyer Ford and to approve the Mayor to secure the financing being First Federal at 3.50%. So passed.

Fire Chief, Scott Chasteen requested replacing the leaking water tank on the 1987 KME fire engine #8. It has a 500 gallon tank and Scott asked to upgrade it to a 700 gallon tank for \$10,657. As it is right now the City would not be able to sell the truck for a decent price, but for safety reasons as well as resell value the tank needs to be fixed. A new truck takes approximately 12 – 16 months to replace. The funds would come out of the Cumulative Fire Fund. Scott is asking to use Fire Service, Inc. at Columbus, Indiana verses either Welch's in Bloomington, IN. or Hoosier Fire Equipment in Valparaiso, IN. It would be much more beneficial having to take the truck to Columbus verses Bloomington or Valparaiso. The tank will have a lifetime guarantee.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to approve the purchase of a 700 gallon tank for \$10,567 and said purchase from the Fire Service, Inc. at Columbus, In. So passed.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to approve sewer adjustment for acct # 114206 for \$919.81. So passed.

The Board requested the Water Office Manager Donna Lecher to send a letter to the landlord pertaining to this matter regarding his lack of taking care of getting it fixed.

Motion by Glenn Tebbe and seconded by Mike Riley to deny the requested sewer adjustment for acct. #114587 for \$696.65, stating that the Landlord is liable. So passed.

The Board requested the Water Office Manager Donna Lecher to inform the Landlord that he did not follow through and make sure that the tenant had put this bill in their name.

City Attorney Steve Taylor told that as of Thursday Billings School became the property of the City for a New City Hall.

Clerk-Treasurer June Ryle told of the help from State representatives Cleo Duncan and Robert Jackman in getting SB 265 written with the help of Charlie Pride, from State

Board of Accounts and Ann Cottongim from IACT. SB 265 pertains to state and federal grants that our police and fire chiefs have received. The new law will only require making a copy of the checks and having the council to put the funds back into the appropriation that they had to spend out of before any reimbursement. She also thanked the Police Chief and Fire Chief for testifying along with herself and Charlie Pride and Ann Cottongim at the Senate and House Sub-Committees. The bill passed all of those with no opposition and had passed out of the House by 97-0. This would streamline paperwork and save time for all Cities and Towns.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 A.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer

