

Amberley Village Council – Streets, Public Utilities, and Sewer Committee Minutes of April 4, 2017

In Attendance: R. Warren (Chair), R. Bardach (Member), E. Hattenbach (Member), T. Muething, P. Conway, S. Lahrmer, W. Brown, and W. Doering.

The meeting was brought to order.

The minutes from the Mar 6, 2017 meeting were distributed. The minutes were accepted as submitted.

The agenda items included (1) reviewing the bids for the 2017 Street Rehabilitation Program, (2) reviewing the 2017 fuel bid, and (3) reviewing the new contract for electricity for the municipal buildings.

2017 Street Rehabilitation Program: At our last month's Committee meeting, Mr. Brown reported that the 2017 Street Program would consist of the repaving of Aracoma Drive, East and West Aracoma Drive, and Aracoma Forest Drive following the Greater Cincinnati Water Works (GCWW) water main replacement project. The repaving of the Aracoma neighborhood would be a joint project between Amberley Village and GCWW. Amberley would take overall responsibility for the repaving project and the Village Engineer (CT Consultants) estimated we would be partially compensated by GCWW (approx. 20% of total cost). With this anticipated reimbursement, repaving of Fernwood Lane and additional curb repairs were added to the 2017 Street Program. CT estimated the total estimated cost for the 2017 Street Rehabilitation Program to be approx. \$502,000, with an estimated reimbursement from GCWW of approx. \$110,000 (see attachment). Bids for the proposed work were received from JK Meurer, Barrett Paving, and JR Jurgensen. All bids were below the Engineer's estimate with JK Meurer's bid of \$319,150 being the lowest. Additional regrading will cost \$3,750 for a total bid cost of \$322,900. The Village Engineer recommended we proceed with JK Meurer. Mr. Hattenbach moved to recommend to Council that the Street Rehab contract be awarded to JK Meurer in the amount \$322,900, Mr. Bardach seconded, and the motion passed 3-0. It was noted that since the Aracoma repaving will be below the Engineer's original estimate, we can expect compensation from GCWW to be less than the original estimate.

Fuel Purchase: To secure the best price for Village commodities, in this case diesel and gasoline fuel, the Village has worked thru the Hamilton County Purchasing Department. The fuel is used by our Maintenance, Police, and Fire Departments. Our current fuel contract expired Mar 31. The County opened bids on Mar 14 and awarded the contract for this year to Lykins Oil Company. The staff budgeted \$47,000 to cover fuel and fuel related expenses in 2017. The fuel price is tied to a commodity index with a differential and added state sales. Mr. Hattenbach moved to recommend to Council that a fuel contract be awarded to Lykins Oil Company. The fuel price will be tied to an index with a differential per gallon plus state sales tax. Mr. Bardach seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

Electric for Municipal Buildings: Through the Center for Local Government (CLG), the Village is part of a consortium of 7 communities to secure the best possible energy rates

(similar to fuel management described above). The energy broker, Eagle Energy, found that our last electricity provider, Constellation Energy, offered the best rate. There were 3 cost options presented including a 'Uniform Rate' a 'Unique Rate', and a 'Green' rate (combination of the first 2 options). The energy rate is an industrial/commercial rate (less than residential rate). The estimated annual cost to the village will be approx. \$24,000. Mr. Warren moved that Council should authorize the Village Manager to sign a contract with Eagle Energy for electric supply to the Village as part of the CLG consortium. The motion passed 2-0 (Mr. Bardach had to excuse himself for this part of the meeting).

Mr. Brown shared that he plans to furnish a list of street ratings for rehabilitation to the committee at our next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Chair: _____
Ray Warren