

Muskegon County
Board of Public Works
February 7, 2019
3:30p.m.
Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice
990 Terrace Street
Muskegon, MI 49442

Gary Foster, Chair

Rillastine Wilkins, Vice Chair

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Foster at 3:51p.m.

ROLL

Present: Gary Foster, Muskegon County Commissioner
Susie Hughes, Muskegon County Commissioner
Zach Lahring, Muskegon County Commissioner
Ken Mahoney, Muskegon County Commissioner
Brenda Moore, Drain Commissioner
Charles Nash, Muskegon County Commissioner
Robert Scolnik, Muskegon County Commissioner
Rillastine Wilkins, Muskegon County Commissioner
Jennifer Hernandez, Ex-officio Member
LeighAnn Mikesell, Ex-officio Member

Excused: I. John Snider II, Muskegon County Commissioner

Staff

Present: Dave Johnson, Wastewater Director
Matthew Farrar, Public Works Director
Tina Nash, Public Works Coordinator
Doug Hughes, Corporate Counsel
Mark Eisenbarth, County Administrator
Beth Dick, Assistant Administrator & Finance Director

BPW-19-012 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

BPW-19-013 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works meeting held on January 10, 2019.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN AGENDA ITEM

Chair Foster welcomed Jennifer Hernandez to the Board of Public Works.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

BPW-19-014 Accept 2019 Scrap Tire Cleanup Grant Funding

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to accept the funding in the amount of up to \$40,000.00 from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to cover the tire collection expenses; authorize the Chair of the Board of Public Works to sign the grant agreement with Environmental Rubber Recycling scrap tire hauler agreement; and authorize the Solid Waste fund to cover any fees in excess of the \$40,000 grant funding.

Matthew Farrar stated the tire events are open to all residents of Muskegon County. Commissioner Nash requested the event flyer be sent to Commissioners.

Roll call:

Yes - Lahring, Mahoney, Moore, Nash, Scolnik, Wilkins, Hughes, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-015 Waive Tipping Fees for 2019 Free Dump Day Program

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the waiver of tipping fees for the Free Dump Day Program in 2019.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

BPW-19-016 Award Sludge Hauling Services

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to accept the quote for sludge hauling services from Yellow Rose Transport for \$125.00/hour per truck.

Roll call:

Yes - Wilkins, Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney, Moore, Nash, Scolnik, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-017 Award Calcium Nitrate Solution

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to accept the low quote for calcium nitrate solution from Evoqua Water Technologies for \$1.953/gallon for one year, with three optional one year extensions.

Roll call:

Yes - Moore, Nash, Scolnik, Wilkins, Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-018 Award Ferric Chloride Solution

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to accept the low quote for ferric chloride solution from Webb chemical for \$0.2645/lb. for one year, with three optional one year extensions.

Roll call:

Yes - Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney, Moore, Nash, Scolnik, Wilkins, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-019 Award Installation of an Automatic Transfer Switch at D Station

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to award the proposal for the purchase and installation of an automatic transfer switch at D Station to Newkirk Electric for \$43,389.00.

Commissioner Lahring asked Dave Johnson if a cost analysis comparing the use of staff .vs the switch was completed. Dave Johnson stated a cost analysis was not done. Administrator Eisenbarth explained this is safety issue for the environment.

Commissioner Scolnik asked why Newkirk's bid was so low. Dave Johnson explained Newkirk left out the cost of the SCADA. Dave Johnson stated he spoke to Newkirk and gave them the option of withdrawing their bid or including the cost of the SCADA in the bid amount submitted. Dave Johnson stated Newkirk made the decision to include the SCADA in the bid amount submitted.

Roll call:

Yes - Scolnik, Wilkins, Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney, Moore, Nash, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-020 Approve Change Order No. 2 of the Cell No. 3 Improvements Contract

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to authorize Change Order No. 2 of the Cell No. 3 Improvements contract, which increases the contract cost by \$9,116.61, from \$2,033,506.44 to 2,042,623.05, and authorize the Board Chair to sign same.

Commissioner Hughes asked Dave Johnson to investigate if this was an error and omission by the architect. Dave Johnson stated he would.

Roll call:

Yes - Mahoney, Moore, Nash, Scolnik, Wilkins, Foster

No – Lahring, Hughes

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-021 Approve Change Order No. 1 of the Fleet Maintenance Building Expansion Contract

Moved by Commissioner Nash, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to approve Change Order No. 1 of the Fleet Maintenance Building expansion Contract with Grand River Construction, which increases the contract price by \$20,750.00, from \$1,051,000.00 to \$1,071,750.00, and authorize the Board Chair to sign same.

Commissioner Lahring asked if the architect’s specifications called for a sliding or sectional door and if they knew that would interfere with the crane rails. Dave Johnsons explained this was not something staff caught in the design phase. Discussion ensued regarding change orders and the accountability/responsibilities of the parties involved. Administrator Eisenbarth stated Matthew Farrar has a licensed engineer as part of his staff to look over projects and maybe this is something the Board may want to consider for the Wastewater. Discussion continued regarding concerns of change orders.

Roll call:

Yes - Mahoney, Moore, Scolnik, Wilkins, Foster

No – Nash, Lahring

Abstain – Hughes [Hughes Builders worked on the project]

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-022 Approve Change Order No. 1 of the Distribution Channel Screen Addition & RI Pump Station Screen Replacement Contract

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to authorize Change Order No. 1 of the Distribution Channel Screen Addition and RI Pump Station Screen Replacement Contract, which increases the original contract price by \$28,007.00, from \$1,722,000.00 to \$1,750,007.00, and authorize the Board Chair to sign same.

Dave Johnson gave a background of the project. Dave Johnson explained the change order is due to grease getting caught in the bar screen. Dave Johnson stated the compactor would be replaced with a different type of conveyer. Commissioner Hughes stated she has witnessed the issues the grease is causing.

Roll call:

Yes - Nash, Scolnik, Wilkins, Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney, Moore, Foster

No –

Excused - Snider

Motion carried

BPW-19-023 Informational Items:

The following informational items were received and placed on file:

1. Public Works Monthly Operations Report, January 2019.
2. Wastewater Monthly Operating Report, January 2019.
3. Muskegon County Regional Water Policy Board Minutes, January 2019 (draft).
4. Muskegon Municipal Wastewater Management Committee Minutes, Jan. 2019 (draft).

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Nash asked Dave Johnson when the Distribution Channel Screen Addition and RI Pump Station Screen Replacement project was completed. Dave Johnson stated it was in October.

Chair Foster asked the Commissioners to select a date for the Veterans Food Bank 5K run/walk out at the Wastewater site.

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins, to hold the Veterans Food Bank 5K run/walk on the Saturday before Father's Day, June 15, 2019.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Hughes asked Dave Johnson if they have seen any snowy owls. Dave Johnson stated that he hadn't heard.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON A NEW ITEM

None

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of Public Works the meeting was adjourned at 4:29p.m.

Gary Foster, Chair