

Muskegon County
Board of Public Works
July 11, 2019
4:00p.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 4:25p.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
Robert Scolnik, Muskegon County Commissioner
I. John Snider II, Muskegon County Commissioner
Rillastine Wilkins, Muskegon County Commissioner

Excused: Leo Evans, Ex-officio Member
Jennifer Hernandez, Ex-officio Member
Charles Nash, Muskegon County Commissioner

Staff

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

BPW-19-074 APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to amend the agenda, removing item E.1 for additional information.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

BPW-19-075 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works meeting held on June 6, 2019.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AN AGENDA ITEM

None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

BPW-19-076 Approve Purchase of a Caterpillar D6 Dozer with Extended Warranty

Moved by Commissioner Snider, seconded by Commissioner Mahoney, to approve the procurement of a Caterpillar D6 Dozer with 72 month/3,500 hour powertrain, hydraulics, and technology extended warranty for \$443,638.02 per the quote number 144463-05, to approve the D6 in the FY2020 budget, and authorize the sale of the D6N through the Surplus Disposal Policy & Procedure Policy or the trade in value to Michigan CAT, whichever provides a higher sale price.

Matthew Farrar was asked if this was brand specific. Matthew Farrar explained the equipment would be purchased through the Sourcewell contract and did not know if it was brand specific but would look into it and report back to the commissioners.

Roll call:

Yes - Moore, Scolnik, Snider, Wilkins, Foster

No – Hughes, Lahring, Mahoney

Excused – Nash

Motion carried

BPW-19-077 Approve Change Order No. 4 of the Fleet Maintenance Building Expansion Contract

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Snider, to approve Change Order No. 4 of the Fleet Maintenance Building Expansion Contract with Grand River Construction, which increases the contract price by \$9,018.99, from \$1,096,294.25 to \$1,105,313.24, and authorize the Board Chair to sign same.

Dave Johnson stated these were items staff asked for. Discussion ensued regarding contract changes. Administrator Eisenbarth stated he would look at the Procurement Policy for possible changes.

Roll call:

Yes - Lahring, Mahoney, Scolnik, Snider, Wilkins, Hughes, Foster

No – Moore

Excused – Nash

Motion carried

BPW-19-078 Discount the Sewer Rate for the Former SAPPI Property Environmental Remediation

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Snider, to discount the sewer rate for the environmental remediation of the former SAPPI property by removing the debt portion of the sewer rate from the wholesale sewer rate.

Matthew Farrar stated they do the same for contaminated soil and use the soil for cover at the landfill. Matthew Farrar reported Verplank was given a rate of \$8 per ton to dispose of the coal/sand from the BC Cobb site to the landfill.

Roll call:

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

No –

Excused – Nash

Motion carried

BPW-19-079 Authorize Participation in Consumers Energy's Demand Response Program

Moved by Commissioner Hughes, seconded by Commissioner Snider, to authorize the Wastewater Department to participate in Consumers Energy's Demand Response Program for a four-year term (that is, for calendar years 2020-2023) and authorize the Board Chair to sign the Demand Response Program contract.

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

BPW-19-080 Donate Two Black Walnut Trees

Moved by Commissioner Wilkins, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to donate two black walnut trees on Wastewater property to Heal with a Horse.

Dave Johnson reported the forester consultant estimated the value of the trees to be around \$200 - \$350 due to the spikes in the trees; however the forester did state the actual value will be what someone is willing to pay. Discussion ensued regarding donations.

Roll call:

Yes - Snider, Wilkins, Hughes, Lahring, Foster

No – Moore, Scolnik, Mahoney

Excused – Nash

Motion carried

BPW-19-081 Informational Items:

Moved by Commissioner Mahoney, seconded by Commissioner Snider, the following informational items were received and placed on file:

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

VOICE VOTE: **Motion carried**

OLD BUSINESS

Drain Commissioner Moore recommended using the GIS system for soil erosion control. Commissioner Hughes commented the Stormwater Committee also uses the GIS system.

Commissioner Hughes asked Dave Johnson to look into what is causing an oily looking film around the edges in the east lagoon on the west edge.

Chair Foster asked if Matthew Farrar or Dave Johnson was aware of permits issued for the digester in Fremont to dump sludge in two lagoons located in Holton Township. Administrator Eisenbarth stated the County did not issue permits. Drain Commissioner Moore suggested it may be an EGLE permit. Chair Foster asked Administrator Eisenbarth to work with Holton Township to address the resident's concerns.

Commissioner Hughes asked Matthew Farrar for an update on PFAS at the airport. Matthew Farrar stated they are working on putting in six water services from a grant received. Matthew Farrar stated EGLE is taking over the investigation using the consultant we hired and EGLE will be paying for it. Matthew Farrar stated if someone has any concerns with reported PFAS levels in their water they should contact DHHS.

NEW BUSINESS

None

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 5:02p.m.

Gary Foster, Chair