

**CITY OF ANTIGO
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD
FEBRUARY 24, 2016**

Members Present: Alderpersons Kapusta, D. Bauknecht, Feller Gottard, and Darling

Members Absent: Alderperson Dunn

Others Present: Tom Horswill and Bill Obenauf, Infrastructure Alternatives; Mark Desotell, Director of Administrative Services; Jamie Anderson, MSA Professional Services; and Jaime Horswill, Utility/Clerical Assistant.

This meeting of the Public Works Committee was called to order on the above date at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room, City Hall. Alderperson Darling served as Chairperson and Jaime Horswill, Utility/Clerical Assistant, recorded the minutes thereof.

1. Approval of Minutes from the December 28, 2015 Meeting

Feller Gottard moved, Kapusta seconded, to approve the minutes from the December 28, 2015 meeting as previously distributed. Carried 4-0, Absent 1.

APPROVED

2. Repair and Replacement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant's Wet-Well Access Stairwell

Bill Obenauf, Infrastructure Alternatives, provided a memo advising that the staircase in the wet well of the wastewater plant has started to fall apart to the point of being a safety issue due to the conditions and the environment in the wet well area, even with their best effort to keep it scraped and painted, the metal treads are the main issue. It is a large staircase, 29 steps and 1 landing spanning roughly 31 feet from top to bottom.

Mr. Obenauf's memo further noted that there is \$15,000 in plant replacement to deal with this issue. He attached a proposal from Precision Ice Corporation for \$8,560 to blast, descale and coat the staircase main structure, not including treads which he plans to replace with fiber-grate molded grating purchased from Grainger for a cost estimate of \$3,489 plus shipping. He plans to have a welder come in and go over the staircase after Precision Ice Blast completes the project so that any damage can be repaired. They will have the same paint for touch up should welding be necessary. He does not have an estimate for potential welding work. It would be nice if it could have been done after the blasting phase and before the coating, but the cost of demobilization and remobilization would stretch the budget too far. He feels that ice blasting is the option best as explained below:

"Ice blasting removes all microorganisms and oils as well which can contribute to paint failure if they are not removed. Collectively, these characteristics of ice blasting provide the cleanest possible surface for applying a coating. Coatings can be applied immediately after the surface is ice blasted because it is completely clean and dry"

Mr. Obenauf's memo further advised that he has found this to be true from past projects working with Precision Ice Corporation as the employees need to get into the wet well for sampling, grease removal and fine screen cleaning daily. The faster the area is back in service, the better. The only other entry point is a ladder and safety harness setup from the 4 foot hatch in the middle of the room if the project is delayed.

Mr. Obenauf is asking approval of this project not to exceed \$15,000. The known cost of \$12,139 plus shipping for grating, and possibly some grating clips and the unknown potential welding costs that will be kept within the remaining \$2,861 budget.

Upon inquiry by Alderperson Darling, Mr. Obenauf, advised that they would rather ice blast than sand blast because ice blasting dries immediately and can be painted sooner. The area is a very moist area to begin with.

Mark Desotell, Director of Administrative Services, advised that this area is in the lowest part of the plant and is subject to hydrogen sulfides.

Alderperson Feller Gottard commented that it appears to be dangerous if not addressed and fixed soon.

Mr. Desotell indicated that not only is Mr. Obenauf looking for approval of the money, but waiver of the bidding requirements for Precision Ice Blast under special purpose as this company is the only company other than Peshtigo and Illinois. The company in Illinois does not paint after ice blasting.

D. Bauknecht moved, Feller Gottard seconded, to approve waiver of bid requirements under the special purpose clause. Carried 4-0, Absent 1.

Darling moved, D. Bauknecht seconded, to approve repair and replacement of the wastewater treatment plant's wet well access stairwell as presented not to exceed \$15,000 with funding to be derived from the plant replacement fund. Carried 4-0, Absent 1.

RESOLUTION TO COUNCIL

3. Approval of Hoist Bid Deemed Most Advantageous to the City of Antigo

Bob Piskula, Street Commissioner, provided a memo advising that only one bid was received from Antigo Auto Parts for the Lift System to be installed at the Street Department. The bid price was \$19,835. Mr. Piskula is requesting approval to accept the bid after the installation inspection by the company doing the installation.

Mr. Desotell indicated that the bid amount is within the budgeted amount. This was bid last year and was significantly higher than this year.

Mr. Desotell is further requesting that because of the hydronic in-floor heat that is in the shop area it is very likely that the standard base plants for the unit are going to have to be changed from a 12x12 to an 18x18 and refabricated.

Feller Gottard moved, Kapusta seconded, to approve the hoist bid from Antigo Auto Parts for the lift system to be installed at the Street Department in an amount not to exceed \$22,000 as presented.

APPROVED

4. Any Other Matters Authorized to be Discussed

NONE

5. Adjournment

D. Bauknecht moved, Darling seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Carried 4-0, Absent 1.

James Darling, Chairperson

Date