

A meeting of the Board of Public Works of the City of Beatrice, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 12:15 p.m. on April 2, 2014 at 400 Ella Street, Beatrice, Nebraska.

Present: Don Vetrovsky, Darin Baehr, Dave Eskra, and Bob Moran.

Absent: Rich Moon.

Others: Tobias Tempelmeyer, Pat Feist, Steve Kelley, Dean Kelch, Jason Moore, James Burroughs, Janet Byars, Mark Rhine, Austin Buckner, Stan Wirth, and Erin Saathoff.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Beatrice Daily Sun and posted on the public bulletin board in the Board of Public Works Administration Office. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Public Works and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda was received and placed on file. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice of the Board of Public Works of this meeting. All proceedings hereinafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chairman Don Vetrovsky announced that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall by the Conference Room door.

Minutes

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra to receive, approve and place on file the minutes of the March 12, 2014 meeting and March 17, 2014 as presented.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

FY 2012-2013 Audit Report – Hayes and Associates, LLC

Mark Rhine, of Hayes and Associates, LLC, presented the FY2012-2013 Audit Report. The audit went well and there were no financial concerns with the Board of Public Works.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Moran, to receive and place on file the FY 2012-2013 Audit.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Recommend Award of Misc. Concrete Street Repairs for 2014 to R.L. Tiemann Construction

Chairman Don Vetrovsky presented the recommendation from James Burroughs, City Engineer, to award the bid for the Misc. Concrete Street Repairs for 2014 to R.L. Tiemann Construction in the amount of \$57,843.75. His estimate for the project was \$76,978.50. The areas being repaired are: 5th & Ames Street, and Beaver Street, 11th to 13th.

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra, to recommend to Mayor and City Council to award the bid for the Misc. Concrete Street Repairs for 2014 to R.L. Tiemann Construction in the amount of \$57,843.75.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovsky, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Enter into Compost Agreement with Thimm Farms, Inc.

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer presented the Board with a contract agreement with Thimm Farms, Inc. for two hundred (200) tons of compost at \$25.00/ton. The terms of the contract are the same as the agreement from last year.

There is approximately 910 tons of compost available. The Landfill has taken 100 tons to use. Last year the public used approximately 450 tons and if that trend continues, we should have roughly 150 tons left after the contract is fulfilled.

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Baehr, to enter into the Compost Agreement with Thimm Farms, Inc.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovksy, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

City-Wide Cleanup 2014

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer and Jason Moore, Street Superintendent, reported that April 7th – 11th has been set for the City-Wide Cleanup Week for 2014. Residents are required to call in or register online the day prior to their scheduled pick up date or items they have to dispose of will not be picked up.

Report on Old Jet Truck

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer reported to the Board that while the Water Department was using the old jet truck on one of their projects, the turbines exploded, sending debris into the air. One piece was thrown approximately thirty feet (30') away and punctured through the metal wall of the former Wrightsman Plumbing building. Luckily, no one was injured.

Tobias Tempelmeyer feels it has been helpful having two (2) jet trucks, so that the WPC Department can continue to do their work with the new truck and the other departments are able to use the old truck on their projects.

Dean Kelch, Chief Plant Operator, has been in contact with Vac-Con representatives regarding the incident and the initial cost estimate via pictures is \$27,000.00.

The Board expressed their desire to have staff receive estimates for repairing the vehicle.

Revision of Beatrice Plus

Tobias J. Tempelmeyer gave an overview of the revision of the Beatrice Plus program. With the new accounting software system, we can place Beatrice Plus on everyone's bill, however if the customer chooses not to pay it, a manual adjustment would have to be made.

**Revision of Beatrice Plus
(continued)**

The City Council is looking at automatically enrolling all customers on the Beatrice Plus program, giving them an option to “opt out” at any time. Flyers will be sent out with customer bills beginning May 2014, informing them that they will be enrolled in Beatrice Plus beginning July 1st or August 1st, which will give them time to opt out prior to the implementation date.

Vouchers

Vouchers for the Electric, Water, WPC, and Street Departments were presented.

Moved by Baehr, seconded by Eskra, to approve the Electric, Water, WPC Department vouchers for payment and refer the Street Department vouchers to Council for payment.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovksy, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting Adjourned

Moved by Eskra, seconded by Baehr, to adjourn meeting.

Roll Call: Yea: Vetrovksy, Baehr, Eskra, Moran

Nay: None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.