

City of Washington
Public Work Committee
Monday, April 1, 2019 – **Minutes**

CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
301 WALNUT STREET

Present: Aldermen Mike Brownfield, Dave Dingledine, and Jim Gee.

Also Present: Ed Andrews, Public Works Director; Bob Brucks, Alderman; Jon Oliphant, Planning & Development Director; and Kevin Schone, Public Works Supervisor.

Alderman Brownfield called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1. Alderman Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
2. Citizens Wishing to be Heard on Non-Agenda Item: None.
3. Approval of Minutes – The minutes from the March 4, 2019, meeting was unanimously approved.
4. Business Items:
 - A. Commodities and Services Bids – Staff has six bids that recently had openings. These are all to be placed on the April 1 City Council consent agenda for approval:
 - 1) Hot-mix asphalt: River City Supply in Tremont had the low bid of \$35,000 (\$70/ton for 500 tons). Staff also recommends utilizing Tazewell County Asphalt at \$73/ton when River City Supply is not able to provide the product needed by the Public Works department for the scheduled work.
 - 2) FY 19-20 Water and Sewage Treatment Chemicals: Brenntag Mid-South, Inc. in Bartonville had the low bid for five of the six chemicals (liquid chlorine, hydrofluosilicic acid, liquid ferric chloride, and polymer). Water Solutions Unlimited in Camby, IN, had the low bid for the WSU 305 phosphate.
 - 3) Class SI Ready-Mix Concrete: Roanoke Concrete in East Peoria had the low bid of \$16,637.50.
 - 4) Water softener salt: Gunther Salt Company in St. Louis, MO, had the low bid at a unit price of \$109.50/ton.
 - 5) Annual weed spraying: Golf Green in Pekin had the low bid of a total of \$10,700 for this work.
 - 6) Cast-in-Place Pipe: Hoer Construction in Goodfield was the only bid submitted for this project.
 - B. Ganzhorn Park Signs – The family of Wally King donated a 0.14-acre property at 504 S. Elm to the Washington Park District in June for eventual use as public park space. The Park District has accepted perpetual maintenance responsibility for it. The family decided to name it Henry F. Ganzhorn Park after Wally's uncle. Included in the FY 18-19 budget is \$6,000 to use to assist in the purchase of signage and/or benches to help Wally for his many years working for the city following discussion at the February 2018 Public Works Committee meeting. The Park District has sent two proofs for the two signs it plans to place on the property. The cost of an 18"x24" plaque is \$1,400 and the cost of a park entrance sign is \$800 for a total of \$2,200. Both of these would likely be purchased prior to May 1. The Committee recommended that the City pay the Park District \$2,200 for these signs.
 - C. Overweight Loads and Potential Revisions to Chapter 75 of the City Code – Staff met as a follow-up to recent discussions regarding the allowance of an overweight crane. Chapter 75.10C (Special Permits for Excess Loads) addresses specific concerns with

overweight loads in excess of 80,000 pounds. Weight specifications referenced under 75.10 referring to ILCS 625 present difficulties for local enforcement since the City is not equipped with scales. It was suggested that a nominal vehicle size that would allow for easy visual identification as well as to limit the weight (i.e. a single box truck) be adopted. A review of industry practice shows that trucks are classified as Light (Class 1 to 2b), Medium (Class 3 to 6), and Heavy (Class 7 and 9). Sections 75.10A and 75.10B are also somewhat in conflict with each other since 75.10A imposes a 90-day load limit on loads of more than six tons and 75.10B (Commercial Vehicles) prohibits operations of loads of more than four tons on certain streets.

Staff has considered the possible revision of the load-based references to Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) and to limit year-round, unrestricted use to that of a Class 6 – Medium Truck with a GVW of 26,000 pounds. Staff would also recommend amending Chapter 75.10A to only reflect those streets that are in the city limits. Staff recommends leaving the 90-day limit for all city streets between February 1 and April 30 except for those identified as truck routes in Chapter 75.10B. Finally, staff recommends listing all of the streets that are identified as truck routes and allow for 80,000-pound trucks.

There was some discussion about the proposed amendments, noting that there were not many substantial changes and much of this becomes a matter of enforcing the existing regulations. The Committee recommended bringing this to the April 8 COW meeting.

5. Staff Updates:

- A. NPDES Phase 2 Year-End Updates – The US EPA and Illinois EPA have previously adopted a permit requirement for discharges from small municipal separate storm sewers known as MS4's. This permitting was originally obtained by the City of Washington in 2003, as required by the agency. It was subsequently renewed in 2009 and again in 2014. The City is also a member of Central Illinois Committee on NPDES (CICN) to coordinate and leverage local efforts concerning this permitting. The proposed best management practices (BMP's) outlined in the annual report are a continuation of efforts that the City and CICN have initiated and maintained over the years of the program. Efforts in this past year included a formal annual cleaning checklist of basins under the City's jurisdiction and a review of all basins (public and private) within the municipality for general upkeep and conformance. This has been accomplished with great success using an in-house inspection app. Construction activities also found the City issuing 24 building permits with seven silt fence citations issued to three different builders. These violations were corrected by the time of reinspection and as such, no fines were issued in this period.

6. Other Business:

- A. Greg Hines retired from the Street Department earlier this year. A retirement lunch was held in his honor.
- B. The Square fountain tuckpointing is not complete and staff anticipates it will be done soon once the weather warms slightly.
- C. The annual Square/entrance sign watering/maintenance bids will be released soon with the goal of approval at the May 6 Council meeting.

- D. The N. Lawndale Lane open house took place at Five Points on Tuesday March 26th, 2019. Individual residents immediately adjacent to the project were notified of event and PD was able to post notice on the City's website and social media. Unfortunately not all council members received notice of the event.
 - E. The work on the Lindy's retaining wall is complete. This was done as a TIF project with the City contributing up to \$45,000 of the cost.
 - F. PWC was updated that Ace-in-the-Hole will be in as weather permits to start crack sealing along portions of Kern, Wilmor and N. Cummings to north of the Bypass. Additional sealing on the concrete portion of N. Cummings requires routing which would be a bid project. Alderman Gee also noted that portions of Cruger which had been routed and sealed during the tornado roadway repairs are exhibiting a need for touch up. This effort would be added to the section already noted.
 - G. The March PPUATS Technical meeting had further discussion on whether to utilize STU funds partially for maintenance projects. This was moved back for more discussion, likely for either the May or June meetings before a call for projects is announced.
7. Other Business:
- A. Staff will take a look throughout the Nuisance Code to see if there is currently language in place that addresses the setback of sump drain lines.
 - B. Staff plans to place the water rate study on the COW agenda for discussion on April.
 - C. The filter project will start on either Wednesday or Thursday of this week.

Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:00 p.m.