

STREETS/DRAINAGE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 14, 2023

Alderman Hamm called to order the meeting at 5:00 pm. He called for the recognition of attendees, starting with Alderman Baptist, Alderman Brown, Alderwoman Spencer Cole, Alderwoman Reed, John Richey, Alderman Hart, Alderman Knight, and Alderman Hamm.

Alderman Hamm stated, "we have a short agenda here this evening, but any questions that you have please direct them to Mr. Richey or myself, we know what the rules are. Everybody be civil and all that kind of stuff. But you can argue if you want to (laughing). Be respectful, that correct. Ok, everybody's got a copy of the previous minutes, in front of them. If you need to go over them." Alderman Brown made a motion to approve, Alderwoman Reed made the second. Alderman Hamm called for the vote-motion carried. Alderman Hamm began with the resolution for State Aid City Street Program for the Project on Border Street. He then turned it over to Mr. Richey to explain. John stated "The State Aid Committee has approved 1.38 miles of city streets for overlay. Attached are the Sample Resolution, Estimates and Map. Qualifying streets are: Border Street, Border Circle, Montclair Street, and Princeton Street, for the estimated amount of \$406,975.00. The State will pay \$300,000.00, and then the city will pay the remaining amount. The State will oversee the project." Alderman Hamm asked for any questions and comments from the Council. Alderman Knight asked "Mr. Chairman a quick question on this, being that it's Border Street leading up to Edison, John is this also in preparation for them to overlay Edison and perhaps address that, the drainage issue that would be on the right hand side headed toward East Street? If you're coming off Border on paving, are they also going to get this ready on that section for attaching to Edison when they overlay Edison so we don't have that drainage issue that we've got headed toward East Street?" John stated that "this is a different project all together, but yes they would tie them together in the right manner." Alderman Knight said "but with them doing Border like this and coming off with that repave there we shouldn't be looking at, it won't be very long until we will have Edison being worked on." John said "Correct. One of the two will be first. I don't know if Edison will be before Border, but it will be sometime this summer." Alderman Knight said, "thank you sir." Alderman Hamm asked for any other comments or questions on that particular resolution. He asked for any questions or comments from the public? Hearing none he called for a motion to accept the resolution for State Aid City Street Program. Alderman Knight made the motion and Alderman Baptist the second. Alderman Hamm called for the vote; motion carried.

Alderman Hamm moved on to the Low bid for the slope mower. John Richey stated "This is the Low Bid for the Slope Mower. One bid in the amount of \$50,138.47, Jerry Pate Company. This mower is in the 2023 budget. RFP is attached." Alderman Hamm asked for any questions or comments on that. He state that "Jerry Pate Mower is a Torro unit, and they are a very good company. If I don't hear any questions or comments from the public or Council, I'll ask for a motion to accept it. Alderman Brown made the motion, and Alderman Baptist the second. Alderman Hamm called for a vote to accept the resolution for the slope mower. Motion carried.

Alderman Hamm- "number 6, Resolution accepting the low bid for the leaf vacs. Any discussion on that or any questions of Mr. Richey?" Alderman Brown asked "Mr. Richey, I was looking at the pictures and I'm assuming that you are looking to get the larger of the two, cause I know you guys are very busy picking that debris up. Do you have any idea, I worry about capacity and how often you have to dump and things like that. In ordering those even if you get the larger unit does that give you enough capacity for you know a lot of runway so to speak, so you don't have to dump more frequently?" John stated "yes this is going to be new to us too, we're getting two of them, they are smaller than the one we have now so we can split up and go to different areas and work at the same time. We still have the older one at this time, so we can still utilize it some too. So, we'll see." Alderman Hamm asked for any other questions. He stated that "I will say that Cleve Addie is a very good company, well respected and at this time I will entertain a motion to approve. Alderman Knight made the motion to approve with Alderwoman Spencer-Cole making the second. Alderman Hamm called for the vote-motion carried.

Alderman Hamm moved to the next item on the list. Resolution accepting the low bid for River/Richards Drainage Project. He asked if there were any questions for Mr. Richey on that? John stated "This is the Low Bid for the River/Richards Drainage Project. There were 9 bids, lowest bid was Gene Summers Construction, in the amount of \$533,337.00 Bid tabs are attached. We've used this contractor before, and they do a good job." Alderman Morrow asked, "how long will this project take?" John answered, "3 months". Alderman Hamm asked for any other questions or discussions. Alderman Hart made a motion to accept the Resolution, with Alderman Knight making the second. Alderman Hamm called for the vote-motion carried. He asked for any other business to come before the committee at this time? Any from the public? Hearing none, he made the motion to have this meeting adjourn.