

UTILITIES SERVICE BOARD MEETING

September 4, 2018

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Board President Roberts called the regular meeting of the Utilities Service Board to order at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Utilities Service Board room at the City of Bloomington Utilities Service Center 600 East Miller Drive, Bloomington, Indiana.

Board members present: Julie Roberts, Jim Sherman, Jason Banach, Jean Capler, and Jeff Ehman.

Staff members present: Mike Hicks, Greg Nettleton, Brandon Prince, Brad Schroeder, James Hall, Cindy Shaw, Phil Peden, Nolan Hendon, Tom Axsom, Chris Wheeler, Holly McLauchlin, Laura Pettit, and Vic Kelson.

MINUTES

Board vice president Sherman moved and Board member Capler seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the August 20th meeting. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Board member Ehman asked if the amount of mercury listed in the minutes was contaminated material or just mercury. Assistant Director - Environmental Programs Hall answered that it was elemental mercury only.

CLAIMS

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve standard claims as follows:

Vendor invoices submitted included \$189,541.71 from the Water Utility, \$744,643.76 from the Wastewater Utility, and \$2,612.85 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved: \$936,798.32.

Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Capler asked about the \$6,586 amount for rental of security lights; which Assistant Director - Finance Pettit answered was a monthly amount. Board member Banach asked what the cost to buy the lights might be. Hall said he would research that option.

Ehman asked why the \$405.57 amount for a tool rack was only charged to Stormwater. Assistant Director - Operations Axsom answered that it was for a new truck that dedicated to Stormwater services.

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the utility claims as follows:

Invoices submitted included \$6,585.20 from the Water Utility, \$5,303.16 from the Wastewater Utility, and \$0.00 from the Stormwater Utility. Total Claims approved: \$11,888.36.

Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank)

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the wire transfers and fees in the amount of \$334,038.00. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve customer refunds as follows:

Customer refunds submitted included \$91.01 from the Water Utility, \$1,517.34 from the Wastewater Utility, \$4.99 from the Stormwater Utility, and \$20.52 from Sanitation. Total Claims approved: \$1,633.86.

Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve consent agenda. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Nine agreements on consent agenda: B&H Electric - \$12,000.00 - On Call Services, Brehob - \$18,000.00 - On Call Services, Cummins - \$2,390.95 - DRWWTP Generator Equipment, Cummins - \$2,903.00 - MWTP Radiator & Battery Maintenance, Harrell-Fish Inc - \$18,000.00 - On Call Services, Harrell-Fish Inc - \$663.20 - DRWWTP Air Units, Heritage-Crystal Clean - \$11,500.00 - Used Oil Removal, Ingersoll Rand - \$3,026.50 - MWTP Filter Air Compressors, and Marine Diving Services, Inc. \$3,400.00 - Intake Tower. Item 4c, Brehob - \$13,225.00 - MWTP Maintenance, was removed because it was not yet ready for consideration.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF STORM ORDINANCE LANGUAGE MODIFICATION

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the modification. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Wheeler with City Legal presented edits to ordinance 10.08.045 which sets the rates and charges for stormwater services. The change is to accurately reflect CBU's practice of billing all users with the residential amount (\$2.70) or more if the calculation shows a higher amount. CBU never charges less than the residential amount. Also, the formula was formatted differently to be easier to understand. Wheeler asked the Board to approve taking these changes to Common Council.

Sherman recommended that the dollar amount also be changed to read, "base charge" instead of specifying "\$2.70" so when rate changes occur in the future, Council will not also have to vote to approve language modification. Wheeler clarified that dollar amount was required as part of the ordinance language and that it changed automatically when the rate changed; a separate vote will not be needed.

Ehman noted that the \$2.70 rate was calculated at least 15 years ago and it was surprising that it was unchanged. Wheeler said a rate study was occurring now which included stormwater. Ehman also suggested editing the formula to make it even clearer and explained how to use the "insert equation" function in Microsoft Word.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF 1ST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH AECOM FOR DYER TANK

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the agreement. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

Assistant Director - Engineering Schroeder presented an amendment to the agreement with AECOM for CBU's volunteer remediation at the Dyer tank site which has lead contamination in the soil. AECOM has submitted samples to IDEM but IDEM is requesting 3 more borings and water samples to ensure there has been no downward motion of lead. Schroeder says that the previous samples indicate there will be no more lead found. Ehman asked if there were other tanks that could also have contaminated soil. Schroeder answered that part of the original contract was to sample at other tanks that could potentially have lead; all but one did not. Redbud tank did have some spots of contamination and will be remediated at a later date. Lead paint is no longer used. Capler asked why these borings were not included in the original contract; Schroeder said that sampling was done as part of the original contract but IDEM is requesting 3 more at the bedrock and just water samples, not soil samples, at that level. The soil has been characterized by previous borings. The original agreement was for \$56,239.81, the amendment is for \$ 9,235.00 making the new total \$65,474.81.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH LAYNE FOR INTAKE PUMP #4 AT MWTP

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the modification. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

CBU Engineer Hicks presented an agreement with Layne to inspect a pump at the intake that is locked up. The agreement is to pull the pump, take it to their shop, take it apart, and inspect it. The agreement also includes putting the pump back after it is repaired. The actual repair will be a different contract and an additional amount. Hicks pointed out that the Marine Diving agreement from the consent agenda is for this same pump. The diver will inspect it first and may find the problem and the Layne agreement would be canceled. The diver

is paid by the day so the diver will also look at 2 sections of the wet well and go out 50 feet to survey silt build up. This person is a commercial diver who can work in zero visibility.

The agreement amount is \$34,528. Banach pointed out that \$20,000 of that is just to rent a crane. Hicks said it was a large crane with a long reach and will be used twice- once to take the pump out and then again to put the pump back. Banach asked if CBU asks contractors for their invoices for equipment such as this as a general rule; Hicks answered affirmatively.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2018-4 TO AWARD WMRP ARLINGTON RD BID

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

CBU Senior Project Coordinator Nettleton presented a resolution award the Arlington Road Water Main Replacement Project to E&B Paving. The bids for this project were opened at the 8/20 USB meeting and CBU and Smith Brehob tabulated bids. The engineers estimate was \$1.7M and the bid from E&B was \$1,264,280. Sherman asked what made another bidder deemed "not responsible" and Nettleton noted they did not complete the required paperwork. Banach asked why the estimate differed so much from the bid. Nettleton said rock and materials were 2 factors he could see readily and he would investigate further. Nettleton also noted that this stretch of main has had about 33 breaks in the last several years.

GRIFFY PLANT UPDATE

Hall said that 125 lbs. of elemental mercury has been removed. Debris is being bagged and characterized. The facility is being treated in 3 sections: wet well, pump house, and pipe gallery. There is a meeting Thursday about how to proceed with rainwater and ground water infiltrating the plant. Capler expressed concern that the water could be carrying mercury out. CBU Director Kelson said there was no evidence at this point but after the building was demolished, a site remediation will occur that includes groundwater testing. Hall said that asbestos removal had started and they hoped to finish this week. Roberts asked about public communication. Since the last meeting CBU staff attended a neighborhood meeting and hung new signs. Kelson noted that less people were trying to get onto the plant property, but security would continue and there was a person shooting guns near the Griffy dam the previous weekend.

REQUEST APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH BRUCE WILDS SECURITY AT GRIFFY

Sherman moved and Capler seconded the motion to approve the modification. Motion carried, 5 ayes (2 members absent: Burnham & Frank).

CBU Purchasing manager Shaw presented an agreement with Bruce Wilds Security for 24/7 security at the Griffy plant property. Agreement goes to end of the year, but CBU is hoping that it won't be necessary to use their service that long. Capler commented that the \$84,252 for this contract and the cost of lighting is expensive and as a rate payer, Capler does not like to see the money spent this way. Capler encouraged the public to stay out of Griffy because it is costing a lot of money and it's dangerous.

OLD BUSINESS: Sherman said that he felt that a recent article in the HT on DBPs misrepresented what was happening and made it seem really bad. Kelson said he felt the article accurately described the DBPs which did have an increase in the Spring but are still well under the maximum limits.

Ehman asked if the Friends of Lake Monroe grant match discussed at the 8/20 meeting was found to be legal. Wheeler said it was because the grant is directly aligned with CBU's business of ensuring clean of drinking water. The grant was approved at the last meeting and has since been approved by the Controller for the 2019 budget.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

STAFF REPORTS: Kelson reported that CBU presented the 2019 to Council on 8/21 and that there was unanimous support for a recommendation to pass it. Kelson also said that the rate review was ongoing for sewer and stormwater; CBU hopes to present it to the Board in early Fall. There have been capacity reviews done by contractors at both wastewater plants in response to increased demand and the rate review packet will include a lot of information.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Sherman moved to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Julie Roberts, President

Date