

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Lava Hot Springs, Idaho held Monday, January 24, 2011 at 5:30 p.m., Lava City Hall, 115 West Elm Street, Lava Hot Springs, Idaho.

Present: Marshall Burgin, Mayor
Rita Anderson, Councilperson
Phil Beeson, Councilperson
Newt Lowe, Councilperson
Cathy Sher, Councilperson
Canda Dimick, City Clerk

Guests: Bryan Phinney and Matthew Hill, Keller Associates

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Wastewater Improvement Project Phase I Change Order #4 – Discuss and approve.

The mayor explained that at the January 13, 2011 Regular Council Meeting the council approved all change order #4 items except for one link seal. Keller Associates engineers explained that the link seal was necessary to seal the connection in the outlet box that the canal company required. Councilperson Beeson questioned why grout was not satisfactory to seal the connection. Bryan Phinney explained that because of the straight connection, the cold joint connection that the contractor was proposing will allow water to seep in and the grout would freeze and break. The engineers are not comfortable with a grout seal. The plans called for a rubber gasket. The best rubber gasket is a link seal. Two (2) of the three (3) seals were in the bid. The third seal had to be installed because the canal company required it. The cost for the 36 inch link seal is \$2,400. The mayor requested that there be better communication from Keller Associates in the future on change order items.

A motion was made by Councilperson Sher approving the link seal, cost \$2,400, along with the other previously approved change order #4 items for Phase I. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Beeson. All voted aye, unanimous.

The mayor questioned how Phase II was coming. Bryan Phinney reported that everything is designed except the lift station and screen or grinder. They are waiting for some cost estimates. The screen takes out all biodegradable items which are then bagged and taken to the landfill. The grinder grinds the biodegradable items and puts them into the ponds with the waste water.

The mayor asked when the pot holing for rock down the ridge along the transmission line would be done. The engineers did not know. The mayor committed the city to doing the pot holing. The property owners will need to be notified. The engineers will get with the city to try pot holing the first week in February.

The options for mounting a grinder were explained: Option 1) mount the grinder in the wet well or Option 2) mount the grinder in a separate concrete vault. The cost of the second vault could be substantial. The concrete vault would need to be twelve (12') feet

deep. The screen would sit in the wet well with the solids being bagged and hauled to the landfill. Bryan Phinney said that he suspects that the screen will be more expensive than the grinder.

Matthew Hill presented the pay request #4 request for DEQ funds which Tricia Mitchell, SICO, had prepared and asked him to bring. Tricia would like the mayor to sign the request form. It is for the pay application which has already been approved. Matthew also asked the mayor to take time to sign the change orders so that they could take them back and deliver them to DEQ. The mayor took time to sign the documents.

The engineers assured the mayor and council that they would make sure that they are present when change orders are considered in the future.

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for Fire Department & Senior Center - Funding raising efforts report and consider purchase.

R.B. Scott reported on the fund raising effort for the Automated External Defibrillator (AED). The plans are to put one on the Quick Response Unit 1 and possibly run with the ambulance in the future. They would also like to put one at the Lava Senior Center. The Rural Fire District is willing to put in \$425 if the city is willing to put in \$425. R.B. is willing to approach the Senior Board at their next meeting for funding support also. The next Senior Board Meeting is not for a month. The fire department has gotten a good deal on the AED units at this time and would like to purchase them now. The city clerk reported that the ambulance district has purchased an AED trainer and manikins; all of the departments will use it, the price was \$797. There are two (2) certified American Heart CPR trainers in Lava. The price for the two (2) AEDs, one for the fire engine and one for the seniors, is \$2044. At the Bingo benefit, \$900 was raised. An additional \$45 in donations has been received. Dan Dimick has contributed his \$250 CPR instructor fee back to the fire department to support the cause. An additional \$850 is needed to purchase the two (2) AEDs. The city's share of the expense could come out of the equipment budget.

A motion was made by Councilperson Sher to allocate \$425 out of the Fire Department's equipment budget to purchase the AEDs for the Fire Department and Senior Center. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Anderson. All voted aye, unanimous.

Vacation Rental Violation

R.B. Scott reported that the city goes for the evidence hearing on the pending vacation rental violation at 11:00 a.m. tomorrow. The city should know if the case is going to trial or not sometime tomorrow.

Garbage Contract Request for Proposals Draft – Review and finalize.

The council reviewed the draft of the garbage contract request for proposals. The city clerk said that she would like to have the contractor submit the landfill bill to the city on a monthly basis. M.R. & E, Inc would like to have a work session with the council before the new contract goes to bid. The council discussed the possibility of requiring that the rate remain the same for a minimum of one year after the contract is executed. The

council decided to leave the wording on rate changes as is on the current contract. The city clerk reported that the contractor told her that the city is pampering customers too much. The contractor charges for the delivery and pick up of cans. He allows for one free can delivery or /pick up every six (6) months. The City Clerk suggested that the contractor should be required to figure the rate for each commercial customer and give the schedule to the city monthly. The City Clerk has forwarded the proposal draft to the city's attorney for legal counsel. The City Clerk suspects that the attorney may want to change the insurance liability limits.

A motion was made by Councilperson Beeson to solicit bids for garbage service and send request to the three (3) contractors; PSI, Snake River, and M.R. & E., Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Lowe. All voted aye, unanimous. The proposal will not be sent to contractors until the city attorney's recommendations are included.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilperson Lowe to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sher. All voted aye, unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Trish Avery, Transcriber

Marshall N. Burgin, Mayor

Canda L. Dimick, City Clerk (proof read)

Approved February 10, 2011