

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: December 9, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. in the Birch Room.

Members Present: Wesolowski, Jacobson, Groat.

Also Present: Mayor Tipple, Gehin, Mohelnitzky, Hanson, Petit, Knapp, Bauer.

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and received by the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

Approve minutes of the December 2 and December 5, 2014 meetings

Groat moved to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Open quotations and make recommendation for the purchase of a loader backhoe for the Department of Public Works

This item was taken out of agenda order.

The following bids were received and opened:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Trade-In</u>	<u>Price after Trade-In</u>
Fabco	Cat	\$104,000	\$23,000	\$81,000
Nortrax	John Deere	\$112,800	\$34,000	\$78,800
Miller Bradford	Case	\$103,500	\$20,000	\$83,500

Groat moved to have DPW review the quotes submitted and make a recommendation for purchase at a future Board of Public Works meeting. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (e) of the Wisconsin Statutes for deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session: to consider extending the number of working days or implementing liquidated damages for the 2014 Street Construction Project “C” – PGA, Inc.

and

CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Section 19.85 (1) (g), Wis. Stats., for the purpose of deliberating on claims

Before entering closed session, Dan Higginbotham noted that he had submitted a letter summarizing the project and reasons for delays. He used an example of remodeling a kitchen in an old house where you do not know what you will run into. He added that with a kitchen remodel you do not have to deal with weather factors. Higginbotham stated they are coming to the committee humbly and apologized that the project has been left in its current state. He feels the project would have been completed if not for the early November weather. Groat referred to Higginbotham’s kitchen remodel example and stated the City “remodels the kitchen” every year and generally does not have these problems. Higginbotham replied that American Asphalt shut down their plant because of the cold weather. If that had not happened, McClellan Street would have been done and Scott Street would have the second layer of asphalt.

Wesolowski stated the contract was extended to November 14, 2014 with the intention McClellan and Scott Streets would be completed. However, the early snow event hampered completion. Higginbotham noted that their crew worked from sun up to sun down and even worked on Saturdays, but just did not get enough days before the winter weather hit. Groat indicated that the resident's perception is different than PGA's statements. The letter from Mr. Johansen indicates the crew worked four days a week and the project sat. Higginbotham explained that James Peterson Sons was hired as a sub and there were times when they did not work five days a week.

Groat stated Johansen's letter indicated that on several occasions water lines would break. She questioned if there were actual watermain breaks or if he was referring to when a valve was not closed. Petit stated a temporary plastic pipe was installed and he believes that is what Johansen is referring to. Gehin feels the letter from Johansen is not a fair representation and he would like to respond to him. Higginbotham stated that Johansen called PGA and asked if they would replace his lateral as part of the project. PGA turned down the work because they felt they did not have enough time to do it. France ended up replacing the lateral and PGA cooperated with them during the process. Gehin stated the letter indicated Johansen was writing on behalf of the residents. Gehin did not receive any phone calls from the residents. Petit stated there was communication with the residents and he received more compliments than complaints. He has received calls from two to three people because the project has not been completed. Higginbotham noted that the residents of the apartment building were inconvenienced a lot, but they did try to cooperate with them. Gehin stated there is always some inconvenience with every project and added that Petit did an outstanding job meeting with the residents. Petit even had the Police Department and Fire Department on site on a regular basis to insure they could pass through with their equipment. Petit added that maybe some residents did not see him meeting with the Fire Department and therefore did not know what took place. Higginbotham said he has never worked with anyone as cooperative as Petit.

Mayor Tipple stated he received a call from Jackie Mueller of 604 Gray Place. Mueller completely overturned the letter submitted by Johansen. She was asked to sign a petition regarding the project and refused. She commended City staff although she was not happy the project was not completed in a timely manner.

Motion by Groat, second by Wesolowski to convene in Closed Session. Motion passed unanimously.

Reconvened back into Open Session to act on Closed Session items.

Action on extending the number of working days or implementing liquidated damages for the 2014 Street Construction Project "C" – PGA, Inc.

Wesolowski moved to not take action on extending the number of working day of the contract or implement liquidated damages but rather wait until completion of the project. Jacobson seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Groat noted that she is better educated on the complexities of the contract and appreciates local contractors.

Action on claim – Priebe

Groat moved to follow the policy in existence today, which provides for a \$75 payment. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Action on claim – Yetter

Groat indicated that there have been problems with vehicles sliding down the incline of the Jefferson Ramp and does not want the decision regarding this claim to cause issues in the Jefferson Ramp. Mohelnitzky stated that the contractor for the Downtown Snow Removal contract does salt in the Jefferson Ramp.

Wesolowski moved to approve the claim in the amount of \$79.50. Groat seconded and the motion carried 2-1 with Jacobson being the dissenting vote.

Open bids and make recommendation for the purchase of chemicals for the Water Treatment Plant

The following bids were received and opened:

Hydrated Lime

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Graymont Capital Inc.	\$159.00/ton

Sodium Hypochlorite

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Hydrite Chemical Co.	\$0.8750/gallon
Martell Water Treatment	\$3.0500/gallon
Milport Enterprises Inc.	\$0.9700/gallon
Wausau Chemical	\$0.9000/gallon

Sodium Silicate

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Martell Water Treatment	4.93/gallon
Milport Enterprises Inc.	0.1860/lb.
Occidental Chemical Corp.	0.1838/lb.
Wausau Chemical	0.1864/lb.

Groat moved to approve the purchase of Hydrated Lime from Graymont Capital Inc. in the amount of \$159.00 per ton, approve the purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite from Hydrite Chemical Co. in the amount of \$0.8750 per gallon, and approve the purchase of Sodium Silicate from Occidental Chemical Corp. in the amount of \$0.1838 per pound. Seconded by Jacobson and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Review and make recommendation regarding Task Order No. 12.6 for Stantec for professional services regarding the Riverfront Redevelopment area

Wesolowski stated a conference call is scheduled for tomorrow with Stantec regarding the Riverfront project. Groat moved to table Task Order No. 12.6. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Pay Request from AECOM: Professional Services from October 18 to November 14, 2014; Thomas Street Project

Groat moved to approve the pay request from AECOM in the amount of \$1,506.43. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Final Pay Request from R.A. Smith National: Professional Services from September 1 to October 31, 2014; Wausau Traffic Signal Operation Services

Wesolowski stated final documentation has been received and R.A. Smith has completed their contractual obligations. Groat moved to approve the final payment in the amount of \$1,781.55. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Final Pay Request from CAG Industrial: Ordered Motion, 305 South 84th Avenue

Groat stated the development agreement allotted for a \$650,000 grant from the City and this is the final draw. Groat added that Megan Lawrence did visit the site to view the improvements. Groat moved to approve the final pay request in the amount of \$256,214.00. Jacobson seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

Excavation and Cover System Construction: Dakota Intertek, Pay Estimate #3

Wesolowski stated that he, along with Project Inspector Brian Petit, reviewed the pay estimate and revised several items. Wesolowski moved to approve Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$115,527.79. Groat seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

2014 Landscape Maintenance Contract: Re-vi Design LLC, Pay Request #5 for the Highway 52 Median

Mohelnitzky noted a deduction should be included on this pay request since irrigation has not been installed to the median. Wesolowski moved to table the pay request. Groat seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

2014 Landscape Maintenance Contract: Re-vi Design LLC, Pay Request #5 for Lot 9

Groat moved to approve Pay Request #5 in the amount of \$1,034.74. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

2014 Landscape Maintenance Contract: Re-vi Design LLC, Pay Request #5 for the Police and Fire Department Block

Groat moved to approve Pay Request #5 in the amount of \$1,971.00. Wesolowski seconded and the motion carried unanimously 3-0.

2014 Street Construction Project "C": PGA, Inc., Pay Estimate #4. (This item was tabled from the November 18, 2014 meeting.)

Groat moved to approve Pay Estimate #4 in the amount of \$272,227.00. Wesolowski seconded. Discussion followed regarding holding enough retainage on the next pay estimate in case the need to assess liquidated damages arises. Petit will make sure the next estimate is not overly aggressive. There being a motion and a second, motion to approve Pay Estimate #4 in the amount of \$272,227.00 carried unanimously 3-0.