

City Council Meeting
February 28, 2017

Present: Mayor John Williams, Councilpersons Tom Jankowski, Greg Koczur, and Mike Esser

Absent: Councilperson Jolene Verlanic

Also Present: Deputy Clerk Tana Pippin, Assistant Chief Kris Egan, Public Works Director Bryan Swan, Assistant Fire Chief Dade Allison, and City Attorney Gary Ryder

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Deputy Clerk Tana Pippin called the Roll Call.

Consent Agenda:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilperson Koczur seconded the motion. No discussion or public comment received. Motion carried with all in favor.

* Minutes of 2/14/17 Regular Meeting

* Claims Roster Dated 2/23/17

Departmental Reports:

Reports were given by Assistant Police Chief Egan, Assistant Fire Chief Allison, City Attorney Ryder, and Public Works Director Swan.

Mayor's Communications:

Mayor John Williams reported that interviews are completed for the Zoning/Code Enforcement Officer. Chief Hert will be giving Mayor Williams his recommendation this week. Jan Morgan has agreed to assist training the new employee.

Mayor John Williams reported that he will be in Helena on March 1, 2, & 3rd for the Executive MMIA Forum. There will be 55 Mayors and city managers attending.

The city received a thank you card from the Colstrip Schools for the assistance that was given to them during the recent basketball tournaments.

Mayor Williams expressed that he hopes the Council Members receive their information from the Employee Monday morning meetings as it provides great information.

Public Comment:

None

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

Councilperson Jankowski moved to approve the Willow Avenue Reconstruction Contract Award in the amount of \$1,547,547.00 to CMG Construction. Councilperson Esser seconded the motion.

Discussion: Council Member Koczur asked if there is any change order requests expected. Public Works Director Swan explained that there is no way to know at this time, but there certainly could be. Council Person Koczur asked if there was a time frame. Public Works Director Swan explained that as soon as the bid is awarded there will be more information regarding the project. He expects the project to begin soon. Council Person Koczur asked if the water main will be replaced under the street. Public Works Director Swan explained that the main would be replaced. Motion carried with all in favor.

Council Person Jankowski made a motion to directly purchase the bottom ash in the amount of up to \$100,000 for the project in order to save money. Council Person Koczur seconded the motion.

Discussion: Council Person Koczur asked if they could amend the motion to make it unlimited so the department could purchase more ash if needed.

Council Person Koczur amended the motion to directly purchase the bottom ash with an open ended amount until the project is finished. Council Member Jankowski seconded the amended motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

Mayor Williams explained that the budget is in fine shape.

Council Member Jankowski made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Esser seconded the motion. Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Tana Pippin, Deputy Clerk