

CITY OF ELKHORN
Finance & Judicial Committee
(Aldermen Howie Reynolds, Chair; Julie Taylor; Scott McClory)

Lower Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

September 10, 2007

Chairman Howie Reynolds called the Finance and Judicial Committee to order at 5:00 p.m. followed by roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Howie Reynolds, Julie Taylor, Scott McClory

Also present: City Administrator Sam Tapson, City Clerk Nancy Jacobson, Finance Director/Treasurer Mary Hinske, Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Simons

AWARD BID: PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT/N. BROAD STREET PARK

Motion (Reynolds/McClory) to recommend to Council to award the playground equipment bid to Miller & Associates, Design 2 for \$24,910. Motion carried by the majority present. In discussion, Parks and Recreation Director Jeff Simons said the park is a tot lot designed for ages two to five. The City has gone with Miller before and the Burke equipment is high quality. He would like to put in a couple of permanent benches to complete the park.

AWARD BID: SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT

Motion (McClory/Taylor) to move on to Council the bid as recommended by the Public Works Director for sidewalk replacement. Motion carried by the majority present. In discussion, Committee asked if the Public Works Director checked the references of the Venske Concrete & Construction LLC, the low bidder and recommended by the Director. The low bid was \$158,103.05. Prairie Tree was at \$257,595.90 and JW Schultz Construction at \$193,102.35. Funds for the replacement sidewalk will go through the capital improvements budget from the remaining 2005 borrowing.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-19: THREE-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION SOLID WASTE/VEOLIA

Motion (Taylor/McClory) to recommend to Council to adopt Resolution No. 07-19 to allow for a three-year extension of the solid waste and recycling contract with Veolia Environmental Services Midwest, Inc. Motion carried by the majority present.

2008 BUDGET: CIP & OPERATING

City Administrator Tapson presented the final proposed budget. The library budget includes an increase in the Youth Services Librarian to full-time. He said that operating expenses are not moving. Committee discussed the sewer utility. All members of the Committee supported a 7.5% increase in sewer charges to get the surplus level to where it is adequate. The increase may be done over a three year period. Tapson is anticipating a 4% increase each year from WALCOMET.

Tapson said that Council needs to consider strategic planning especially in the area of staffing in the near future. There may be some cost if a moderator to work with staff and Council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (McClory/Taylor) to adjourn at 6:04 p.m. Motion carried by the majority present.

Nancy B. Jacobson
City Clerk