

CITY OF ELKHORN
Municipal Services and Utilities Committee
First Floor Conference Room, 9 S. Broad Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin

May 27, 2014

Municipal Services and Utilities Committee was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Alderman Payson followed by Roll Call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Aldermen Gary Payson, Sr., Hoss Rehberg, Greg Huss
Also present: Mayor Brian Olson, Administrator Sam Tapson, Public Works Operations Manager Marty Nuss, Fire Chief Rod Smith, City Engineer Gary Welsh, and Elkhorn Newspaper Correspondent Kellen Olshefski

ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT

City Administrator Sam Tapson explained that the committee needs to decide whether to retain Baxter & Woodman. The firm has offered the City a redesign of the plan without additional cost. Tapson pointed out that there would be added cost to change companies and that other companies would not utilize the plans submitted by Baxter & Woodman. Mayor Olson would like clarification on this from Baxter & Woodman at a future meeting date. A memo provided to the committee from Utility Director John Murphy recommends that the City continue working with Baxter & Woodman because time restrictions and additional costs would occur if consultant firms were switched at this time. Motion (Rehberg/Huss) to retain Baxter & Woodman for the NE Water Plant design project. Motion carried.

NETTESHEIM LS MODIFICATIONS

Public Works Manager Martin Nuss presented an option to the committee to keep the Nettesheim lift station operational by refurbishing it rather than taking it off line. The cost to take it off line would cost the City approximately \$600,000 and take six months to complete. To refurbish the lift station would take two months to complete at an estimated cost less than \$90,000 and eliminates all maintenance issues with backups for the next 5-10 years. The repairs would replace and update electrical panels, replace the current three pumps with two properly sized pumps and send all sewage to the force main that runs from the Mann lift station to Delavan. Funds are available to complete this project. Motion (Rehberg/Huss) to move forward with the Nettesheim lift station repairs waiving the bidding process to due to the emergency situation to have it operational as expeditiously as possible to avoid overflows and backups. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion (Rehberg/Huss) to adjourn at 4:20 p.m.

Cairie L. Virrueta
Deputy Clerk