

MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD
CITY OF GENESEO, HENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS
FEBRUARY 2, 2010

ROLL CALL

The Public Service Board met Tuesday, February 2, 2010 in the City Council Chambers, 115 South Oakwood Avenue. Chairman Kevin Peterson called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Alderman Ed Deener; and Citizen Members Tom Domino and Mike Ward answered roll call. Public Service Superintendent Klint Rice, City Administrator Teresa Savage, Aldermen-elect Josh Pierce and Bob Wachtel, John Opsal and Jennifer Cox were present. Lowell Ewert was absent.

AUDIENCE REQUESTS

Jennifer Cox and John Opsal would speak, if necessary, under the burn ordinance.

There were no other audience requests.

MINUTES

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2010, regular meeting of the Public Service Board as written.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

BUDGET/BILLS PAID

Motion by Deener, second by Domino to approve the bills paid for the month of January, 2010.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

No discussion on the budget.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Rice communicated on his report and informed the Board he has been subpoenaed for the damages sustained in the park. Maintenance on the budget is currently at 20 percent due to performing much of the repair in-house. The bid opening for Country Manor will be on February 26, 2010 at 10:00 AM. Discussion was conducted on installing a wood burner to reduce the gas bill. Rice is still accumulating data on the cost associated with feeding the burner. Peterson commended Rice on his performance.

Motion by Domino, second by Ward to accept the Superintendent's Report for the Cemetery, Park and Street Department.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

BURN ORDINANCE

Deener reported he communicate with City Attorney Thurman and 3 feet by 2 feet would be the recommended numbers for the size of the fire and distance from the structure would be 25 feet. Chief Piotrowski was present and stated this would be enforceable, especially given the addition to Police enforcement: "Police officers are hereby

authorized to cause fires which are in violation of these provisions to be extinguished. In assessing whether a fire is a nuisance pursuant to A(2)(e) above, the police may consider any applicable factor, including weather conditions, wind, time of day, etc.” This gives the officer some flexibility.

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to approve with amendments an Ordinance amending Section 93.02 of Title IX to burning of General Regulations of Geneseo’s City Code.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

SALT SHED PAYMENT

Rice explained the salt shed is complete and functioning. There is an added charge of \$225 for a sealant which was applied in order to permit the City to utilize the shed three weeks after completion.

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to approve Payment Estimate #1 and Final Payment for salt shed in the amount of \$43,425.00 payable to Fineline Designing Building & Solutions.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

COUNTRY MANOR PHASES IV AND V

Rice reported there were approximately 45 neighbors in attendance and about 6 special requests during the project. The neighbors were very anxious to have the project completed and favorable that the City would be able to complete Phases IV and V at this time. Letting will be February 26.

FERTILIZER QUOTES

Rice provided information on the data gathered to purchase fertilizer in bulk as a cost saving measure. He reported he would be using a different type of fertilizer than in the past and provided we did not experience a severe drought there would be a second application applied. CD Ford & Sons submitted the lowest quote.

Motion by Deener, second by Domino to approve the quote for fertilizer from C. D. Ford & Sons.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

SUBJECT: OVERHEAD DOOR

Rice informed the board that the northeast door at the Public Service building is rusted and is retaining water making the door extremely heavy to open. The paperwork he could locate was from 2008 and roughly \$5200.00. The door jam, specifically a beam, was damaged and needed to be repaired prior to the installation of a new door. Rice requested to have the beam repaired this fiscal year and possible fix the door in FY 2010/2011. The Board was in support of this plan.

No vote required.

SUBJECT: WIDE-AREA MOWER

Rice reported on the data he collected on the operation of the wide-area mower giving consideration to productivity calculations as well as upkeep on the mower and maintenance. The trimming on this mower would be no different than other pieces of equipment currently owned. Rice provided research on a few financing options and the cost savings projected on this piece of equipment. Discussion was also presented on the areas within the city this type of mower could be utilized.

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to solicit quotes for a wide-area mower and return to Public Service Board for consideration.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

SUBJECT: SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

Rice reported that Brian Ludwig had researched these cameras and the captured pictures were of good quality. They are motion triggered and did have the capability to store a number of pictures. The cost involved in trying a couple of the cameras at various sites was very minimal. The Board was in favor of trying a few of them to see what type of results were reported.

Motion by Deener, second by Domino to approve purchase of surveillance cameras for the parks.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to adjourn to executive session at 7:35 PM pursuant to personnel matters *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)* : The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Motion by Deener, second by Ward to convene to regular session at 7:52 PM.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Domino, second by Deener to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:53 PM.

VOICE VOTE; ALL AYES. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Kotecki, Board Secretary