

The meeting was called to Order by Ald. Smith at 1:00 p.m. with the following Roll Call:

Members Present: Ald. Smith, Ald. Frings, Ald. Olson

Members Absent:

Others Present: Lois Krueger, Stacey Schroeder, Sara Decker

Item #2 Citizens Comments.

None.

Item # 3 Discuss/Recommend prices received for tree removal and repairing drainage and irrigation at the Golf Course.

It was noted that an email was received from Manning Tree Service this morning along with the other prices previously received. Ald. Frings noted he talked to Paul and Jeff about the tree removal prices. There was discussion on the difference between the 3 bids received. The company will take down the trees and the golf course will do the landscaping after. Allar Unlimited was recommended by the Golf Course at the price of \$32,550.00. Even with the seed/filling it is still a long way from the next bid of \$56,000. They may have to cross the course, but should not cause much damage. The tree removal would come from Bachhuber drainage funds.

Motion by Ald. Olson, second by Ald. Frings to recommend hiring Allar Unlimited to do the tree removal at the Golf Course for \$32,550. Motion carried 3-0.

Ald. Smith noted that they will need to address administration of the work. It was suggested the Park Board, Jack, Paul and/or John should be looking at it. It was also noted that these are not bids, they are prices.

The drainage options were discussed. Ald. Frings noted they received 2 quotes on this form K. Rhoades and Midwest. There was discussion on the differences in the two bids and the two types of materials that could be used.

Motion by Ald. Smith, second by Ald. Frings to recommend hiring K. Rhoades for \$37,353.25 for the drainage. Motion carried 3-0.

It was again noted that they will need to make sure DPW/Park Board are involved so that the plan is preserved and everyone should sign off on it. The engineer should retain the original records. A certificate of insurance will be needed from all of the companies doing work.

Lastly, the irrigation was discussed. The bid was about \$30,000 less than anticipated. This is the same company that quoted it before and it used to be in \$90,000 range. They only got one quote on the irrigation, but the bottom line is there are only 2 companies that deal with this type of equipment. Reinders parts are installed by Irrigation Protection Systems. It would be a couple hundred thousand to start from scratch; this repairs the controllers that are 20-25 years old. There was discussion on the timeline for the project. The quote fluctuates with copper price. It is important that the engineer and park board are familiar with how the system works not just the tenant.

Motion by Ald. Frings, second by Ald. Olson to recommend Reinders for the equipment at \$54,422 and Irrigation Protection Systems for the installation for \$12,275 plus \$2200. Motion carried 3-0.

There was discussion as to whether there are warranties on the equipment. It was also noted that they are unsure if this is everything that needs to be done for drainage and irrigation. They can't ensure that the golf course is brand new, they can only make improvements. The total of this work will be \$135,100.45. They have already spent money through public works and machine rental of approx. \$5,000. There is approx. \$8,000 to use from 2013-2014 donations. The current donation was for drainage, so irrigation will have to come from capital projects. There was a total of \$250,000 budgeted, so not even ½ is accounted for yet.

Item #4 Adjournment.

Motion by Ald. Frings, second by Ald. Olson to adjourn at 1:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Sara Decker, City Clerk