

MARCH 24, 2020 MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the Cottonwood City Council was held on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, 7:00 pm, via Zoom with Mayor Corey Moseng and Council members; Joel Dahl, Mike Horner, Shannon Geihl, and Shawn Myers present. Also present were Clerk-Administrator, Teather Bliss; Sambatek Engineer, John Mazzitello; and Public Works Director, Randy Fenger.

Mayor Moseng called the meeting to order and led in the Flag Pledge.

A motion by Shawn Myers to close the regular meeting. Seconded by Shannon Geihl. Carried.

A motion by Joel Dahl to open the public hearing for the main lift station project. Seconded by Shawn Myers. Carried.

Bliss updated the council during the public meeting that four sealed bids were received for the public opening on March 23, 2020 at 10:00am. Those bids were as follows: R&R Excavating for \$656,888; Magney Construction for \$583,800; Crow River Construction for \$556,550; and Voss Plumbing for \$449,000. Voss Plumbing did provide the lowest bid with the correct information provided regarding application and bid bond documents.

Engineer John Mazzitello addressed the council that the prices for all other contractors did not include the bypass, that the accuracy of Voss's bid was inline with all of Sambatek prices, and Bob from Voss Plumbing seemed very in tune with the scope of the project.

A motion by Mike Horner to close the public hearing for the main lift station project. Seconded by Shannon Geihl. Carried.

A motion by Shawn Myers to open the regular meeting. Seconded by Joel Dahl. Carried.

A motion by Mike Horner to approve the March 2, 2020 meeting minutes. Seconded by Shannon Geihl. Carried.

Council member Dahl noticed that the seconded motion to adjourn of the March 17 meeting minutes was incorrect.

A motion by Joel Dahl to approve the March 17, 2020 emergency meeting minutes with noted changes. Seconded by Shawn Myers. Carried.

Bliss presented the award of bid recommendation for the main lift station project. Voss Plumbing is the recommendation of Sambatek due to the recommendations that have come in from references and the bid being with a few thousand dollars of the projected cost. Once the bid is awarded, the contract will be drafted within a week and signed so that construction could hopefully start at the end of April with the natural gas lines being directly coordinated through award recipient.

A motion by Mike Horner to award the main lift station project bid to Voss Plumbing for a contract price of \$449,000. Seconded by Shawn Myers. Carried.

Bliss presented the question to the council on the pump for the temporary bypass, due to the fact that it had not been purchased to date that the City hold off on the purchase so that funds can be conserved moving forward with COVID-19.

Council member Horner addressed the issue as to why the pump had not been order as it was approved by the council and what the plan would be without the pump.

Council directed Fenger to get the bypass fitted for a dual 4-inch setting so that both on hand pumps can be utilized and to have a 6-inch coupler on hand so that if needed, a 6-inch pump can be obtained. The purchase of a new 6-inch pump would be halted at this time with the price of a 6-inch coupler provided at the next meeting.

A motion by Shawn Myers to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Shannon Geihl. Carried at 7:36 pm.

Teather Bliss, City Administrator

Corey Moseng, Mayor