

January 07, 2020

The Conrad City Council met in a special budget work session on 01-07-20 in the Council Chambers. Officials present were Council Members John Dinsmore, Todd Schnathorst, Peg Brown and Diane Miller. Lindsay Kuhl was absent. Also in attendance: Lori Stansberry, City Administrator/Clerk; Jason Hines, Public Works/Fire; Chad Hupfeld, Fire; Barry Kell, Park Board and Lee Gallentine & Luke Wilson, Clapsaddle Garber Associates (CGA). Mayor Jeff Martin called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Luke Wilson from CGA discussed the various infrastructure options, costs and bid options for the Katherine Farmer subdivision and Lillian Avenue reconstruction. Council advised Wilson to proceed with the plans and specifications by bidding everything as one base bid with the bike trail being bid as an alternate.

Lee Gallentine from CGA gave an update in regards to the Southside Watermain project. The contractor is going to bore to Oakwood Drive, install a new fire hydrant and then hook this line up to the water main on Oakwood. Temperatures need to be above 20 – 30 degrees for them to do the work. This portion will be finished in January. Gallentine will give alternate bid prices for boring under the golf course versus an open cut. The City will then discuss the two bid prices with Oakwood Golf Course board of directors. The project will resume in the spring to continue hooking the new line to Duesenberg.

The Council was given an update of the UV Lighting sanitary sewer project and they discussed other projects for the next five years. Forrest Aldrich will be at the regular council meeting on January 9th for additional update.

Chad Hupfeld and Jason Hines, fire department, gave an update of the search for a new water tanker truck. They have formed a subcommittee to discuss options and work with the various companies. They will bring an update to the Council at a later meeting. They updated council in regards to the roof leaking at the new fire station. Brycon will be contacted to come and repair. There was not much change from the previous year other than the budget for the tanker will be moved from the current fiscal year to next fiscal year.

Barry Kell, Park Board, reviewed the board's executive summary for equipment replacements, park projects and current year budget. The board was commended for all of their hard work this year painting the shelter in Gier Park and installing the new playground equipment in Reunion Park. Kell explained that the roofs of both shelters needed some repairs. Council discussed putting a steel roof at the shelter the same as the pool bathhouse. Council gave guidance to do all repairs this next fiscal year instead of waiting. Staff will contact some roofers to get estimates for the shelter roofs, fire station and city hall. Kell mentioned that the board changed their focus to continue updating Reunion Park since the new sub development will be constructed across the street from this park.

The Council discussed updating city hall for new flooring in addition to getting an estimate for the roof. Council reviewed the equipment replacement five year plans for the remaining departments.

No formal action was taken and the plan will be approved by resolution when the budget is approved. Miller made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Brown. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Jeff Martin, Mayor

Lori Stansberry, Administrator/Clerk