

Minutes

NEW BERLIN UTILITY COMMITTEE January 8, 2003

Members Present: Aldermen Gallagher, Harenda and Ament, Bob Dude (Citizen Member) and Ray Grzys (Director of Streets and Utilities)

Others Present: Steve Schultz of Rueckert Mielke, Rick Johnson (Utility Supervisor),

Attorney Mark Blum, Larry Wilms (Engineer), Mayor Ted Wysocki

Alderman Gallagher called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

ITEM N-02 Approval of minutes for Dec 04

Motion by Alderman Ament to approve the minutes of the December 4th meeting. Second by Mr. Dude, and approved unanimously.

ITEM 22-01B Contract Award – Water/Sewer – Lincoln & 179th Street

Lengthy discussion as to why this contract asks for a large amount of funding over the original estimate of \$834,600.00. Mr. Wilms indicated that the scope of the current project out for bid is larger than the original plan and includes highway improvements, a force main and street safety issues. This will save the City money with water and sewer installations. Mr. Grzys indicated that the additional funds will come from Water RCA, sewer impact fees and developers.

Motion by Alderman Harenda to recommend Council approve the award of Construction Contract K-346 for Lincoln Avenue – 179th Street Business Park water and sanitary sewer service to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Globe Contractors, Inc., Pewaukee, WI for \$1,086,128.27 for Project #K-346 and waive any irregularities, for a total project cost not to exceed \$1,319,800 from Utility Water and Sewer A/C # 343 and paid for and funded by impact fees, conditioned upon Council adoption of Final Special Assessment Levy Resolution for this project assessment district. Second by Mr. Dude, and passed, with Alderman Ament opposed. Committee instructed Mr. Wilms to mail an informational packet with updated information to the property owners in this area.

ITEM 39-01A Contract Change Order – Marcus Land Purchase

Attorney Blum gave a brief update that the Marcus Corp was willing to sign the purchase agreement in its current form. He recommended that the contract be sent to Council with an added Jurisdictional offer.

Motion by Mr. Dude to recommend Council issue a Jurisdictional Offer in the sum of \$19,000.00 to secure fee simple title and necessary Rights-of-Way for construction and operation of Well #11 Pumphouse and the connecting main(s) and an 18 month Option-to-Purchase for the Marcus-1 Site pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Sec. 32.05 to be funded by A/C #310. Second by Alderman Ament, and passed unanimously.

In addition, Mr. Grzys asked for a Contract Change Order for this land acquisition and explained the need for the additional funding.

Motion by Mr. Dude to recommend Council authorize a change order request for Stephen Simpson of the Highland Group of Wisconsin Inc. for \$75.00/hr for 12 hours of additional service. In addition, recommend to proceed with the acquisition service with Marcus Corp at an additional 12 hours of service total cost not to exceed \$1800.00 over his original contract. Second by Alderman Ament, and passed unanimously.

ITEM 10-02A Extend Contract Ruekert and Mielke – Milwaukee Water Negotiations

Mr. Grzys indicated that funding was available and asked for an additional \$8,000.00 for Ruekert & Mielke negotiations with Milwaukee Water Utility for Lake Michigan Water. Mr. Dude questioned the amount and Attorney Blum responded that there are still significant issues to resolve. Steve Schultz (R & M) agreed that there were still additional discussions, preparations and reports to do. Mr. Dude cautioned with a reminder not to get carried away.

Motion by Alderman Gallagher to recommend Council authorize a change order to the original dollar amount of \$12,840.00 to cover the last over charge of \$435.72 and to increase the original dollar amount approved in March of 2002 by \$8,000.00 to cover future negotiation charges that may occur. Second by Alderman Harenda, and passed unanimously.

ITEM 20-02 Contract Award – Water Meter Reading

Mr. Grzys indicated that the contract was amended by the City Attorney to include insurance and liability clauses. Meter reading software, hardware and scheduled training is in place to begin first quarter meter readings in March.

Motion by Alderman Ament to recommend Council approve a three-year meter reading contract for the City of New Berlin to IMServ North America LLC to read an approximate 7,600 water meters 4 times/year at a unit cost of .66 per read. Second by Mr. Dude, and passed unanimously.

ITEM 30-02 Milwaukee Water Update (Powerpoint Presentation Review for Public)

Steve Schultz reviewed a Powerpoint presentation for the Milwaukee Water Public Informational meetings to be held in January. He was requested by the committee to include a representative from the Milwaukee Water Department. The presentation included the history, capacities, problems and future possibilities for serving New Berlin customers in the future. Mr. Dude asked that some slides be simplified and more emphasis be placed on what the benefits of Milwaukee water will be for the customers that will be hooked up, as well as the customers that would still be on New Berlin water. He also asked if Mr. Schultz could include a history of Milwaukee water rate increases, and indicate that water rates are controlled by the Public Service Commission (PSC). The issues of radium and crypto, quality of water, and other issues were discussed. Mr. Schultz indicated that costs would be shown and that the concerns of the committee would be reflected.

ITEM 33-02 Update Report Ruckert & Mielke – Utility Radium Study

Steve Schultz from Ruckert and Mielke stated that there is a January 31, 2003 deadline to respond to the DNR about radium. He indicated that since the repairs to Well 8, it won't be necessary to do any additional treatment since the radium can now be blended down to an acceptable amount. He also said to keep in mind for the future, that drilling new wells may be cheaper than repairing old ones, since pulling pumps to repair them is expensive.

ITEM 51-02 Contract Award – Professional Service Design Work

(Moorland Road Watermain Loop)

Mr. Wilms said that the City Attorney advised that we cannot hire Ruckert and Mielke for work on this project design because of how the contract reads. R & M and the City of Milwaukee agree to release that part of the contract. Mr. Grzys stated that a main is required for the City of Milwaukee and TIF money already earmarked for this project can be used for funding. Alderman Gallagher asked how much money would be required to add a sewer estimate and Mr. Wilms indicated that it would be approximately \$9,000.00 from the Engineering budget. Staff was directed to renegotiate for this additional amount and bring back to the committee in February as Item 51-02A.

Motion by Mr. Dude to recommend Council approve a Professional Service Agreement with Earth Tech, Consulting Engineers, for project design services for Moorland Road Watermain extension (Project #W-136) for a fee not to exceed \$23,950** with Total Design Phase not to exceed \$37,500 and be funded by TIF Account #4-255-353. Second by Alderman Gallagher, and passed with Alderman Ament opposed.

Motion to adjourn by Alderman Ament at 6:40 p.m. Second by Alderman Harenda, and passed unanimously.