

City Commission meeting - March 27, 1989 - 7:00 p.m. - City Hall

Mayor Gilley called the meeting to order with all commissioners in attendance, with the exception of Comm. McGuffey who was in the hospital. There were also several guests in attendance.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Mayor Gilley called for additions or corrections to these minutes. With none to be heard, Comm. Stiffey presented a motion to accept them as written, seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes.

2. Treasurer's report

The commission reviewed this report and with no additions or corrections to be made, Comm. Crisp presented a motion to accept it as printed, seconded by Comm. Belcher. Roll call and vote - Crisp yes, Stiffey yes, Gilley yes, Belcher yes.

3. Opening of sealed bids for Smiths Grove Cemetery maintenance contract

Mayor Gilley opened these sealed bids and they were as follows: (copies attached)
Ronald Studle, \$5,995.00
Simpson County Mowing, \$6,200. 00
Custom Care Lawn Service, \$6,000.00
Jimmy Morgan, \$6,650.00
George Allen & Bennie Britt, \$8,000.00

Comm. Crisp wondered if the city was obligated to accept the lowest bid. Mayor Gilley said this was not always true. Comm. Belcher wondered if there was a required performance bid. Mayor Gilley said no. Comm. Belcher stated that he would rather see someone who pays taxes to the city receive the contract, as well as someone who lived close enough for easy contact. Mayor Gilley wondered if the decision should be left up to Comm. Crisp since he was the Commissioner in charge of the cemetery. Commissioner Crisp felt it should be the decision of the entire commission. With this in mind, Comm. Belcher floored a motion to accept

the bid of Ronald Studle for \$5,995, seconded by Comm. Crisp. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes.

4. Other

Comm. Crisp said he had several people talk with him to see if there was something that could be done to cover the windows in the fire department since the rest of the building looked so nice. After a brief discussion, Comm. Crisp presented a motion to get David Bybee to paint them White, seconded by Comm. Belcher. Roll call and vote - Belcher yes, Gilley yes, Stiffey yes, Crisp yes.

Mayor Gilley then turned the meeting over to Terry Shaw of American Engineers Inc. to inform the commission of the development of the proposed sewer project for the city. (copies attached) Mr. Shaw said that he along with Mayor Gilley and Gene Becker had met with Mr. Joe Lyles of Warren Co. Water district and Mr. Lyles said that if the city wanted and would support a sewer system, they would co-operate in any way necessary to help. Gene Becker from BRADD said he was sure there could be a \$750,000 Community Development Block Grant available to the city to help support the project. According to the figures Mr. Shaw presented, that leave a balance of around \$1,000,000 the city would have to borrow. Monthly payments of this amount would be in the area of \$5,000.

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According to figures Mr. Shaw had compiled, based on the water use for the city, the projected income from the sewer would be approximately \$4,956. His feeling were, since the projected income figures were so close to the amount the city would have to pay on the loan, it is now time for the city to proceed and apply for the grant, and see how we stand. The commission was in agreement. Mr. Shaw said he would now take all of the information he had compiled, resurvey and refine them to make sure all of his facts and figures are accurate before applying for the grant. Gene Becker said there must be two advertised public meetings before the actual grant application. Mr. Shaw said it would take approximately a month or six weeks to complete his research and he would then notify the commission and the BRADD offices to see how the city wanted to proceed. The commission was in agreement.

With no further business to be heard a motion to adjourn was presented.

Approved: James R. Gilley
Mayor

Attest: Dorothy J. Neal
City Clerk