

## CITY COUNCIL

November 30, 2020

The November 30, 2020 special City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. via zoom by Aaron Korte, President. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were Marc Mays, Kate Niederkohr, Rick Roberts, Don Spiegel, John Walker, Kenneth Wessler, and Aaron Korte.

Others present included: Kyle McColly, Mayor; Ben Buckland, Law Director; Mark Droll, City Auditor; Aaron Schoenberger, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor; Greg Moon, Wyandot County Economic Development Director; Bruce Brandstetter, Brandstetter and Carroll, Inc.; Brian Hemminger, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The purpose of this meeting was to review recommendations from the Service Committee to approve a bid received for the Tarhe Trail Water and Sanitary Sewer Extension Project and approve a quote received for replacement membranes for the Water Treatment Plant.

Mr. Aaron Schoenberger, Water Treatment Plant Supervisor, addressed City Council regarding the replacement membranes for the Water Treatment Plant indicating that the existing ultra filtration membranes were installed in 2013 with an expected seven (7) to ten (10) year life span. Mr. Schoenberger explained that there are three (3) skids of membranes with there being one hundred twenty (120) membranes per skid. The quote received from DuPont for \$93,000.00 will replace one (1) skid of one hundred twenty (120) membranes. These membranes are manufactured in and shipped from Australia and the shipping and handling cost for these membranes is \$5,500.00 to be shipped as air freight. Mayor McColly stated that Mr. Schoenberger has been making every effort to extend the life of the existing membranes with various cleaning processes having been explored. Mr. Schoenberger indicated that future cleaning studies for these membranes will continue to be conducted.

A motion was made by Mr. Mays, seconded by Mr. Wessler, to place Ordinance No. 93-13 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF MEMBRANES FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 93-13 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Walker, to place Ordinance No. 93-13 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 93-13 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Mays, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 93-13. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 93-13 was duly adopted.

Mr. Mays gave an overview of the Tarhe Trail Water and Sanitary Sewer Extension, Phase I Project including the purpose of the project being for future development of current farm land located within the City on the north side of U.S. 23, and he provided a timeline of the progress of this project. Mr. Greg Moon, Wyandot County Economic Development Director, indicated that he has also been working with the City and the Koehler Family, being the owners of this land, on this project and the planning has been underway for years for the one hundred forty-six (146) acres of land. Mr. Moon indicated that a grant was awarded in 2014 for a site survey conducted by Peterman Associates, and he is now working to obtain a \$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00 grant from Jobs Ohio to assist with necessary studies, including an environmental study, of the land. Mr. Bruce Brandstetter, Brandstetter Carroll, Inc., being

the project engineer indicated that the bid of \$280,146.00 received from R.A. Bores Excavating, Monroeville, Ohio was below the estimated cost of this project. Mr. Brandstetter also explained that the project includes a 6” forced main and a 12” waterline to be bored under U.S. 23 and extended to the Koehler land located on the north side of the highway. Mr. Brandstetter indicated that upon approval of the bid by City Council the materials for the project will be ordered and it will take approximately thirty (30) days for those materials to be delivered, and the contractor must submit to the State of Ohio for a permit to bore under the highway.

Mr. Spiegel indicated that he was unaware of this project and voiced his objection to the approval of this bid as an emergency measure.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Mays, to place Ordinance No. 92-13 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE A BID SUBMITTED FOR THE TARHE TRAIL WATER AND SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION, PHASE I PROJECT, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.”, on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted as follows:

Mr. Mays	-	Yes
Mrs. Niederkohr	-	Yes
Mr. Roberts	-	Yes
Mr. Spiegel	-	No
Mr. Walker	-	Yes
Mr. Wessler	-	Yes
Mr. Korte	-	Yes

The President declared the motion carried by a 6-1 vote. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 92-13 for the first time by title only.

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting adjourned.

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Sarah Bennett, Clerk

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Aaron Korte, President