

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 14, 2016**

The Board of Aldermen met in special session with Mayor Patrick Miller at City Hall, 206 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street, on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

**Present:** Miller, Johns, Mann, Miles, Williams

**Absent:** none

**Others Present:** Janelle Hagler, Cristine Stallings, Nita Schroff, Jacob Doll, Danielle Kern, and Katy Lee

**Meeting Called To Order** Mayor Patrick Miller called meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance** The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approve Agenda** Mayor Patrick Miller called for a motion for approval or amending of the agenda.

Mayor Patrick Miller would like to amend the agenda to read bids for the Electric Department.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to amend the agenda and seconded by Alderman Todd Williams.

Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye

Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye

**Bids Submitted – LED Street Light Project** Administrator Janelle Hagler submitted the 2016 Electric Department LED Street Light Project. The bids submitted were Anderson Underground for \$106,651.00; Five Start Electric and Construction for \$75,015.00; and Nail Excavating for \$72,337.20. Kenny Robertson, Chief Electric Operator, recommendation is Nail Excavating since it is low bid. Mayor Patrick Miller told Council that the cost will be higher because there were additional poles added to the project.

**Approved Nail Excation Bid – Street Light Project** Motion made by Alderman Todd Williams to approve the 2016 LED Street Light Project from Nail Excavation for \$72,337.20 and seconded by Alderman Lance Johns.

Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye

Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye

**Bids Submitted – 60 Foot Basket Truck** Administrator Janelle Hagler submitted bids on a 60 foot basket truck. The bids submitted were from Dur-A-Lift for \$147,295.00; Drake-Scruggs Equipment for \$191,427.00; and Altec for \$187,469.00. The Council asked Kenny Robertson, Chief Electric Operator, some questions about the different trucks.

**Approved Dur-A-Lift Bid / 60 ft Basket Truck**      **Motion made by Alderman Steve Miles to approve the 60 foot basket truck from Dur-A-Lift for \$147,295.00 and seconded by Alderman Todd Williams.**

**Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye**

**Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye**

**Request Submitted – Remote Electric Meters**      **Administrator Janelle Hagler submitted a request from the Electric Department for another pallet of remote meters. The pallet consists of 96 meters at \$135.00 each from H.D. Supply.**

**Motion made by Alderman Todd Williams to approve the pallet of remote meters for \$12,960.00 and seconded by Alderman Steve Miles.**

**Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye**

**Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye**

**Discussed Properties That Need Cleaned Up**      **Jacob Doll, Code Enforcement Officer, presented the Council with a list of properties that need some attention. The Council discussed the list that was presented. Jacob Doll explained that the City does not have an ordinance specifically addressing the brush along the city right-of-ways. The City would like the property owners to maintain the property to the road. Mayor Patrick Miller would like letters to be sent out to each resident addressing the issue.**

**Transfer \$9,000 For Police Car**      **Mayor Patrick Miller asked for the approval to transfer \$9,000.00 to reserve for the Police Car.**

**Motion made by Alderman Todd Williams to approve the transfer of \$9,000.00 to reserve for the Police Car and seconded by Alderman Randall Mann.**

**Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye**

**Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye**

**Letter Presented – Driveway Tube Replacements in Daily & Broyles Addition**      **Administrator Janelle Hagler presented to Council a letter that will be given to the residents in the Broyles and Daily Additions. The City would like the residents to replace their driveway tubes, if needed, before the 2016 street project gets started. The policy for the tube replacement is the property owner buys the metal tube and the city will install the tube.**

**Fire Membership Dues Received**      **The Fire Department has received 143 memberships at this time.**

**Jackie Deskins, County Clerk, would like to place reserved voter signs on the North and West side of courthouse for the election. Approved by Council.**

**Electric Dept – Fund Ballfield Light Project**      **Mayor Patrick Miller told Council that the Electric Department can pay for the ballfields light project.**

**Street Bond**      **Mayor Patrick Miller told Council that the Street Bond needs to be used in three years.**

**AMI Meters** Mayor Patrick Miller told Council that Becky Turley, City Treasurer, inquired about paying off the electrical part of the AMI meters. Becky Turley found out that there will be no penalty to pay off the electrical part of the AMI meters.

The new car has 15,000 miles.

**Utility Rate Comparison** Becky Turley, City Treasurer, presented to the Council a list of residential 1,100 KW towns on the electric rates. Bethany has the highest rate.

**Proposed 2016 Budget** The Council discussed budget on Electric, Gas, Library, Water, Sewer, Street, Motor Pool, Sales Tax, TAP, NW TIF, South TIF, and General funds. The utility projects and rates were discussed as well as street projects, transportation sales tax, street improvement bonds, and sales tax revenues. The utility rates will not change at this time. The Electric Department will install poles, LED lights along the road and down the middle of Memorial Park and on the ballfield. The electricity will be metered after the installation. Becky Turley, City Treasurer, received a call that the cost of gas transportation raised 110%.

**Adjournment** Motion made by Alderman Todd Williams to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Lance Johns.

Miles - Aye  
Mann - Aye

Williams – Aye  
Johns – Aye

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Patrick Miller, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Nita Schroff, City Clerk