

COMMITTEE OF A WHOLE MEETING SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

A Committee Of A Whole meeting was called to order by City Clerk Dave Bartley in the Peru City Council Chambers on Monday, September 16, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

City Clerk Dave Bartley called the roll with Aldermen Ferrari, Waldorf, Lukosus, Radtke, Sapienza, Ballard and Buffo present; Alderman Payton absent; Mayor Harl present.

MINUTES

Clerk Bartley presented the Committee Of A Whole Minutes of September 3, 2019. Alderman Waldorf made a motion that the minutes be received and placed on file. Alderman Ferrari seconded the motion; motion carried.

FINANCE AND SAFETY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman Radtke initiated a discussion regarding proposed purchasing policy and provided the following input:

- Approve all policies by ordinance
- What items should be approved ordinance
 - Purchase of properties
 - Awarding of bid
 - Signing of contracts

Corporate Counsel Scott Schweickert to review proposed policy.

Alderman Radtke reported on the health insurance Agent of Record change to Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. to open up additional options with self-insurance cooperatives. Alderman Radtke stated the ultimate goal is to provide excellent coverage for our employees.

PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

Alderman Waldorf inquired about the engineering agreements with Chamlin and Associates regarding 26th Street west from N. Peoria Street and extension of Midtown Road west from N. Peoria Street. Mr. Mike Perry of Chamlin and Associates stated the agreements are percentage based. City Engineer Eric Carls reported there are a lot of moving parts coordinating 26th Street and Midtown Road tie ins.

City Engineer Eric Carls reported he received the Peoria Street bid tab and noted the late review over the weekend therefore not on an agenda. City Engineer Eric Carls asked the council for permission to proceed with sending contracts to Springfield for signatures; Notice to Proceed and formal approval will be at the next council meeting. City Engineer Eric Carls noted multiple local contractors were eliminated through state qualifications and a letter was sent requesting their inclusion. Alderman Radtke voiced his disappointment the state limited to number of bidders due to financial qualifications. Mayor Harl noted the laws also protect the City for unqualified bidders.

Mayor Harl reported IVRD has published request for proposals to provide site / building options. Mayor Harl stated Peru will present a proposal to use the existing location on a five-year term, automatically renewing. Mayor Harl stated the city would handle maintenance for the first five years. Alderman Radtke stated he supports the option because it is in the long term a benefit to the city.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Waldorf made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Alderman Lukosus seconded the motion and motion carried. Meeting adjourned 6:55 p.m.