

A Worksession of the City Council was held at City Hall, 200 S. Main Street, on Monday, July 2, 2018, at 5:00 p.m.

Present were Mayor Malewski and Councilpersons Harri, Wichman and Colestock. Councilman Burke was absent and excused.

Administrative Staff Present were City Manager Aaron Desentz, Police Chief Larry Weeks, WWTP Supervisor Greg Hughes and City Clerk Kristy Reinecke.

Purpose of the meeting was a worksession. Notice of the meeting was duly given.

Councilwoman Colestock moved that Council add Item 6., under New Business, a Closed Session to Discuss Strategy and Negotiations Regarding Collective Bargaining; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously.

**Public Comments:**

None.

**New Business Topics of Discussion were:**

WWTP Supervisor Hughes reviewed with Council the Sludge Hauling Contract and his recommendation to accept the Contract from BioTech Agronomics, Inc. WWTP Hughes answered questions of Council regarding the Contract. This item will appear on the July 9<sup>th</sup> Agenda for Council consideration.

WWTP Supervisor Hughes left at this point in the meeting.

Mayor Malewski reviewed with Council the concerns that have been raised by citizens as well as his own experience regarding the parking spaces between Hamlin and Knight Street on the East side of Hall Street. After a lengthy discussion it was the consensus of the Council to have input from the DDA to see if they had any solutions as well as having Chief Weeks monitor the vehicles that are parked in this area.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the Personnel Manual that had been worked on with the Personnel Committee. Police Chief Weeks reviewed with Council the concerns that he has with the document as he already has a Personnel Manual in place at the Police Department. This item will continue to be reviewed by the Personnel Committee.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the concerns that had come up during the meetings that were held on the Project Rising Tide Program. City Manager Desentz stated that he had been in contact with Nate Scramlin from the MEDC and the City was now at the point of appointing a Committee to start reviewing and prioritizing the list and seeing what projects could begin to be worked on through the Program and with the assistance of the MEDC. City Manager Desentz suggested that the Committee be comprised of 5 to 7 members and that appointments be recommended by the Mayor to the Council for approval. This item will appear on a future Agenda for Council Appointment.

City Manager Desentz reviewed with Council the bid from Berger Chevrolet for a pick-up truck for the Fire Department. City Manager Desentz stated that this is a budgeted item, but is being reviewed by Council as part of the new Purchasing Policy that was adopted by Council. This item will appear on the July 9<sup>th</sup> Agenda for Council consideration.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council go into Closed Session for Strategy and Negotiations regarding Collective Bargaining; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. Council went into Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

Councilwoman Colestock moved Council reconvene back into Open Session; seconded by Councilman Harri, passed unanimously. Council reconvened back into Open Session at 6:47 p.m.

**Old Business Topics of Discussion were:**

The discussion on the Council Rules and Procedures item will be discussed at the next Worksession as the meeting had gone longer than anticipated and there was a Planning Commission Meeting that would begin at 7:00 p.m.

**Public Comments:**

Russ Hicks, Columbia Hwy, appeared before Council regarding wildflower planting at the ORC; the Grand River Expedition that is scheduled for 2020; and swimming at Mill Pointe Park.

Susan Politza, 1310 Montgomery Street, appeared before Council regarding the Hall Street parking.

Patrick McNutt, 751F Island Court, appeared before Council regarding the Hall Street parking.

**Reports:**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

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Paul O. Malewski, Mayor

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Kristy Reinecke, City Clerk