

**BOARD OF WORKS
WASTEWATER UTILITY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2009
8:00 A.M.**

Mayor James Fleck – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Greg Hockemeyer – Present
Walter Crowder – Present
Roger Seymoure – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Fleck presiding.

PAY REQUEST: NIBLOCK EXCAVATING: #13 - \$71,558.75 (Interceptor Sewer) Jeff Walker advised there was a typographical error on the original contract sum and was directed to go back and have it amended. He stated he had not received the revised copy yet because it had to go from Niblock to Schneider Corporation and then back to us. He asked if it would be acceptable to the Board to approve it pending receipt of the revised pay request. He stated all of the information was correct and was the final pay application to finish out the project. Mayor Fleck felt as long as they would approve the correct amount it would be fine.

Upon the motion of Crowder second by Seymoure to accept Jeff Walker's recommendation to go ahead and approve the request pending the final documentation showing the correction and once received move forward with processing it, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST: BURGESS & NIPLE #346278 LTCP PHASE IIA \$2,782.69 Jeff Walker explained this was working continuing to be done on the South Chauncey Street/EQ Basin. He advised they were at 98% for the project as a whole. He stated everything was in order and recommended the Board approve the request for the amount of \$2,782.69.

Upon the motion of Seymoure second by Mayor Fleck to approve Invoice #346278 for Burgess & Niple in the sum of \$2,782.69 as recommended by Jeff Walker, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST: BONAR GROUP COESSE UTILITY STUDY MTG. INVOICE #45284 - \$416.54 Jeff Walker reported there had been several meetings between County government agencies as well as the City to discuss the problems with sewage in the Coesse area. He advised Mark Jesse was requested to be in attendance at one of the meetings so the invoice was for his time.

Jeff advised they did find out that OKRA had a feasibility study grant available not to exceed \$30,000.00 which would cover the Bonar proposal. He advised it would be a 90/10 match and the County Commissioners committed to half of the 10% but at this point they would have to be the lead agency rather than the City. He explained Tom Rethlake requested there be some sort of documented letter stating what each party's responsibility would be in this.

Jeff recommended the Board act favorably on the pay request for \$416.54.

Roger Seymoure questioned if this would be outside of the planning grant. Jeff advised it would.

Rosie Coyle questioned the Board where they wanted to pay the invoice from. Mayor Fleck questioned if it would become eligible. Jeff Walker did not know. Mayor Fleck advised we did ask him to come and at that meeting they did discover they had the planning grant opportunity.

Mayor Fleck made a motion to approve the request, second by Seymoure.

Jeff Walker questioned if he should contact Mr. Jesse to see if it would be eligible. Mayor Fleck felt they should.

Rosie Coyle asked to include where to pay the invoice from. Mayor Fleck felt it should be from Economic Development.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST: BONAR GROUP LIFT STATION REPLACEMENT INVOICE #45282 - \$10,465.00 Mike Cook reported they met with Bonar and advised they were about 85% complete with the study phase. He recommended the Board pay Bonar for their invoice.

Upon the motion of Seymoure second by Crowder to approve the request for payment to Bonar for Invoice #45282 in the amount of \$10,465.00 as recommended, all voted aye.

CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR JEFFREY DRIVE & HOLDEN ROAD

STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS: BONAR GROUP Jeff Walker reported they identified the Jeffrey Drive & Holden Road area that has ongoing problems during wet weather events and had asked Bonar to put together a proposal for engineering. He advised the proposal was recently presented to the Board for consideration but was instructed to have the proposal in a not to exceed format rather than lump sum format. He emphasized that it did not include construction inspection oversight services. He reported he talked with Kelly Cearbaugh and they might be able to do the inspection in house. He advised Mark Jesse did plug in staff fees for any work they would do outside of the standard contract.

Walt Crowder questioned if this would help with any of the problems at Blue River and Columbia Drive by the apartments. Jeff Walker advised it was not specific to that area but Steve Brown had worked diligently to try and fix some of those problems.

Walt Crowder questioned if the funding would come from SRF or where. Jeff Walker advised it would come out of storm water. He explained there was no SRF program for storm water. Walt advised he did not want to impact the rates and was a concern of his.

Upon the motion of Mayor Fleck second by Crowder to enter into the amended agreement with Bonar as presented by Jeff Walker in a sum not to exceed \$65,800.00.

Walt Crowder stated the storm water impacts the streets and questioned if this design would include repairs. Jeff Walker advised it would and was why the anticipated costs were so high.

Upon the motion all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORT Mike Cook advised he had a photo of the treatment plant blown up to 11 x 13 for the open house. He reported they were working on an ordinance for the grease traps for restraints and businesses. He advised Austin Babb started industrial inspections and billed for them. He reported they would be starting flow monitoring on the industries in the 4th quarter and would be billing for that now. He advised they would also be starting float replacements as time allows. He reported they had non-mercury floats to comply with the mercury and copper reduction in our NPDES permit. He advised the fine screen has only had 5 failures since it was put in operation on August 4th but the grit system was plugged up again and were working to come up with a solution. He reported he received a call from AEP regarding the Coesse lift station and was informed there would be no charge to us for the hook up of service to the lift station. He reported on damage to the 700 E. lift station that he was not sure if it was due to a power surge or lighting. Mayor Fleck questioned if a surge protector should be installed. Mike advised he could install one with no problem. Mayor Fleck questioned if it was worth doing. Mike advised it saved one of their stations before.

FINANCIAL REPORT Rosie Coyle advised she did not have anything unless the Board had questions. Mayor Fleck questioned the cash flow as they move through projects. Rosie advised we steadily keep going into the negative. Mayor Fleck discussed the challenges faced with mandated projects and the need to recoup as much as possible through grant monies.

HANDICAPPED PARKING – HIGH SCHOOL Walt Crowder informed Mayor Fleck of the challenges at the school of keeping unauthorized people parking in the handicapped spots. He advised they did receive a reply from Attorney Grossnickle and would need to give feedback to Mr. Davis when the time was appropriate.

Having no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor James Fleck

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle