



City of Palos Heights

Water and Sewer Committee

Tuesday, January 26, 2021

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bylut called the Water and Sewer Committee meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.. In attendance were Chairman Bylut, Alderman Lewandowski, Alderman Basso, Alderman McGrogan (via phone), Public Works Director Adam Jasinski, City Administrator Dan Nisavic, and Recording Secretary Margaret Carey.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Bylut made a Motion to approve the minutes of the Water and Sewer Committee meeting held on December 22, 2020, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT – the general public were invited to submit comments to ajasinski@palosheights.org or 708-480-3030.

None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Jasinski presented the following reports/considerations:

- Watermain Breaks: 6 YTD.
- CIPP Sewer Lining Project Update. Director Jasinski showed a short video illustrating the process of lining the pipes. He also explained work completed to date by Insituform and noted that some contract work cannot be completed by Insituform's subcontractor. Performance Pipelining is able to make the repair; however, Insituform cannot hire Performance Pipelining as a subcontractor due to its labor agreement. The contract price with Insituform will be adjusted with a credit for the City to hire Performance Pipelining.

Director Jasinski requested approval for partial payment #1 to Insituform in the amount of \$135,691.90.

Alderman McGrogan moved to approve the partial payment #1 to Insituform in the amount of \$135,691.90, seconded by Alderman Bylut. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. AGENDA

Director Jasinski requested approval to proceed with Performance Pipelining, Inc. to install 3 service connection liners at the Recreation Center in the amount of \$19,850.00.

Alderman Lewandowski moved to approve proceeding with Performance Pipelining, Inc. to install 3 service connection liners at the Recreation Center in the amount of \$19,850.00, seconded by Alderman Bylut. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

- Manhole Rehabilitation Project Update. The project is complete.

Director Jasinski requested approval for final payment #3 to Kim Construction in the amount of \$44,316.61.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve the final payment #3 to Kim Construction in the amount of \$44,316.61, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA

- Director Jasinski requested approval for the purchase of a new Case 521G Loader with McCann Industries through Sourcewell Purchasing Contract 32119-CNH in the amount of \$107,995.00. Jasinski explained that the current loader is used constantly and is developing corrosion. The new purchase price includes a trade-in credit. The purchase will be budgeted 50/50 between the Water Fund and the General Fund.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve the purchase of a new Case 521G Loader with McCann Industries through Sourcewell Purchasing Contract 32119-CNH in the amount of \$107,995.00 seconded by Alderman McGrogan. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. AGENDA

- Sanitary Sewer Flow Monitoring project results. Director Jasinski displayed a map for the Committee. We put flow monitoring devices to see the effect of infiltration and potential MWRD surcharges. The flow monitoring was an investigation of sources that are contributing to sanitary overflows and for sanitary model calibration. RJN's modeling results indicated that upsizing of sewers, redirecting flows, increases in pump capacities will not address the amount of inflow and infiltration that the area of study is experiencing. There are no further studies needed. We need to find the source of the infiltration. We can start televising sewers to find which need lining. If it is coming from private sources, we will develop a program to try to incentivize people to stop sump pump connections into our sanitary system.
- Director Jasinski requested approval to utilize the Public Works vehicle #28, a 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe, as a take-home vehicle to respond to after-hour events.

Alderman McGrogan moved to approve Director Jasinski to utilize the Public Works vehicle #28, a 2016 Chevrolet Tahoe, as a take-home vehicle to respond to after-hour events, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Director Jasinski sought approval for:

1. Payment to RJN Group for professional engineering services rendered in the month of December, 2020 totaling \$9,074.62. Services provided included: GIS services, Sanitary flow modeling report, manhole project assistance and CIPP project assistance.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve the payment to RJN Group in the amount of \$9,074.62, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

2. To proceed with the Risk and Resilience Assessment with Strand and Associates in the amount of \$14,250.00. Jasinski explained this is required by the EPA. Strand is the same company that completed our water tank rehabilitation project.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve proceeding with the Risk and Resilience Assessment with Strand and Associates in the amount of \$14,250.00, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. AGENDA

3. To proceed with RJN Engineering to develop bid specifications, bidding assistance, and oversight services for the 2021 Sewer Cleaning and Televising program in the amount of \$39,825.00. Jasinski indicated the approximate cost of the project is estimated at \$400,000. This cost covers every line, but we may not have to do every line.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve proceeding with RJN Engineering to develop bid specifications, bidding assistance, and oversight services for the 2021 Sewer Cleaning and Televising program in the amount of \$39,825.00., seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. AGENDA

4. To proceed with RJN Engineering with on-call engineering services for year 2021 in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve proceeding with RJN Engineering with on-call engineering services for year 2021 in the amount of \$25,000.00, seconded by Alderman Basso. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously. AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

Water Shut-Offs. Director Jasinski asked the Committee how to proceed with business water accounts that are delinquent. There are 3 businesses currently with balances over \$1,000 and no payment for many months. Attempts to make payment arrangements have been unsuccessful. The Committee discussed.

Alderman Bylut moved to approve shut-offs for businesses only, not residents at this time, seconded by Alderman McGrogan. On a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman McGrogan asked Director Jasinski to make sure he submits all contracts to our City Attorney for review before submitting to City Council for approval.

Alderman McGrogan received a thank-you letter from Ponds of Palos regarding adjusting water bills for club houses.

Alderman McGrogan asked Director Jasinski to provide summary of revenue versus expenditures for our water utility.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Bylut moved to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Lewandowski. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned 7:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Carey, Recording Secretary