

**Public Works Committee
Minutes
7:00 P.M.; February 25, 2008**

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Minutes of a meeting of the Public Works Committee of the City of O'Fallon, held in the Mayor's Conference Room, City Hall, 255 S. Lincoln, O'Fallon, Illinois on February 25, 2008.

CALL TO ORDER: Time: 7:08 P.M.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS: Medford, N. Drolet, Reckamp, Engler - Absent: Bennett
STAFF LIAISON: Denton, Funk, Bell, Sullivan, Nolan, Rich
NON-COMMITTEE ALDERMEN: Schmidt, J. Drolet, West, Polites, Albrecht
GUESTS: Steve Berry, Loren Ettinger, Clifford Huelsmann

Minutes from January 28, 2008 were approved.

- Item 1. **No Action/Deferred Items:**
 Water Rate Ordinance Change
 Sanitary Sewer Rate Ordinance Change
 Crown Pointe Subdivision Infrastructure
 Sewer Extension 206 Carson and 207 & 209 Robbie
 No Action on the above items was reported. (Open)
- Item 2: **POI:** Carriel Jr. High School Connecting Sidewalk – Staff is still waiting for information from the school district or their engineer. No additional news at this time. (Open)
- Item 3: **POI:** 5 Vanderbilt Storm Drainage Problem – Staff has reviewed the Southview Drainage Study conducted by Rhutasel and Associates. Staff has contacted Rhutasel and Associates about the submittal of a proposal for design work based off the study to remediate problems found. (Open)
- Item 4: **POI:** Reduction in Veterans Monument Lighting – Staff has not been able to accomplish a light study. (Open)
- Item 5. **POI:** 301 N. Cedar and Adjacent Properties – Mr. Bertram, the resident of 301 N. Cedar, was unable to attend the meeting to describe the problems that he and his neighbors are experiencing. This issue will be held over until the next Committee meeting. (Open)
- Item 6. **AI:** Waterline – Southview Plaza – Loren Ettinger of Walpert Development spoke to the committee requesting the Ordinance requirements be waived for the 8" waterline. He feels the 6" waterline is adequate. He stated it was a technicality because they are subdividing the property. There was some discussion by committee. Mr. Ettinger was asked if they had done a flow test to confirm the proposed hydrant will provide sufficient flow to meet City

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requirements. He answered no. Staff explained the procedure for a flow test. Alderman N. Drolet asked if he would consider replacing the waterline to the new hydrant. Mr. Ettinger said no. He wants this to go to Council on March 3rd. A flow test and data from the testing are to be presented to Council. A few Aldermen said if the data supports the 6" waterline being sufficient that they would consider waiving the 8-inch water line requirement.

Motion: Committee moved to bring the issue to Council pending the flow test results being completed prior to the meeting. (Closed)

Item 7. **AI:** Sludge Removal Proposal – This is a maintenance item contracted every year for disposal of sludge from one of our two sludge storage lagoons at the O'Fallon Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). Merrell Bros. Inc. has provided staff with a proposal to hold their price for the sludge removal to last year's bid. They were the low bidder last year and have done quality work for us over the past four years.

Motion: Committee moved to recommend the approval of the proposal from Merrell Bros. Inc. in the amount of \$97,482.00. (Closed)

Item 8. **AI:** Soft Copper Water Line – Staff presented the bid tabulation for the procurement of the copper water line. Five bids were received and Midwest Municipal Supply was the low bidder.

Motion: Committee moved to recommend purchase of the copper water line from the low bidder, Midwest Municipal Supply, in an amount not to exceed \$35,925.00. (Closed)

Item 9. **AI:** Building Demolition, 413 E Adams and 410 E Washington - Ten bids were received and Mertzke Trucking was the low bidder. Mertzke Trucking has worked for us on other demolition projects without problems.

Motion: Committee moved to recommend acceptance of the low bid from Mertzke Trucking in an amount not to exceed \$7,972.00. (Closed)

Item 10. **AI:** I-64, Interchange Mowing Exit 14 & 16 – Four bids were received and S&S Excavating was the low bidder. The bid as presented, however, is incorrectly formatted, and we have met with the contractor. Staff will be sending a letter to the contractor to clarify his bid. When staff has something in writing it will be brought to Council for approval. (Open)

Item 11. **AI:** FY09 Water Fund Budget – Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. The water operations budget amounts to \$10,672,000 as currently proposed. There are no new full-time equivalent employees proposed in the budget.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

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Item 12. **AI:** FY09 Wastewater Fund Budget – Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. For the Sewer Lines Division and Wastewater Treatment Plant, funding is to support the current operations with nothing beyond that. There are no new full-time equivalent employees supported in the proposed budget.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

Item 13. **AI:** FY09 Streets (General Fund Budget) - Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. The Streets budget amounts to \$2,846,225 as currently proposed. There are no new full-time equivalent employees supported by the budget submittal.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

Item 14. **AI:** FY09 Facilities (General Fund Budget) – This is a new budget department within the City budgeting process. It is to initially support those facilities that are not directly or specifically supported by another fund source such as the Library or Public Safety Building. Although, members of the Public Works staff will continue to support other City Departments as requested in planning, design and construction management when requested. Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. The Facilities budget amounts to \$233,900 as currently proposed. There are no new full-time equivalent employees supported by this funding.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

Item 15. **AI:** FY09 Proposition S Budget – Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. The Prop S budget amounts to \$2,221,895 as currently proposed. There are no new full-time equivalent employees supported by this funding. Contractor design and technical service efforts are funded under this budget for infrastructure – roads, sidewalk and stormwater - repair.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

Item 16. **AI:** FY09 Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Budget – Committee members were alerted to the highlights of the budget. The MFT budget amounts to \$1,189,500 as currently proposed for FY09. There are no new full-time equivalent employees supported by this funding. Contractor design and technical service efforts related to roadways are funded under this budget in addition to construction.

Motion: Consensus was the budget as prepared is suitable for full Council consideration. (Closed)

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ADJOURNMENT: 9:43 P.M. PREPARED BY: Heide Bell

Next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 24, 2008 at 7:00 P.M., to be held in the Mayor's Conference Room or Council Chambers at City Hall dependent upon the number of visitors at the meeting.

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