

Cuyahoga Falls City Council
Minutes of the Public & Industrial Improvements Committee Meeting
October 5, 2009

Members: Debbie Ritzinger, Chair
Mark Ihasz
Terry Mader

Mrs. Ritzinger called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. All committee members were present.

Legislation to be Discussed:

Temp. Ord. B-98
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Temp. Ord. B-100
Temp. Ord. B-101

Mrs. Ritzinger stated that Administration has requested that the Committee hold B-98.

Discussion:

Temp. Ord. B-99

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the replacement of concrete pavement and storm sewers on Howe Avenue, in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi stated this was budgeted this year for the upgrade and replacement of the south side of Howe Avenue. There is constantly standing water on the roadway. 235 feet of drains will be installed and two catch basins will be replaced. It is scheduled to be completed by November 20. They have bid the project and anticipate awarding it next Monday. Mrs. Hummel asked if traffic would be maintained. Mr. Demasi stated at least one lane in both directions would be maintained during the project. Mrs. Pyke asked if the project would affect the exit or entrance ramps of Route 8. Mr. Demasi stated the northbound exit ramp may need to be diverted from two lanes to one and then worked around the work zone. Mrs. Pyke was concerned about the project running into Christmas shopping traffic. Mr. Demasi stated that November 20 is what they had in the contract. That is one week before Thanksgiving. There is a penalty clause in the contract.

Committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. B-99.

Temp. Ord. B-100

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the Graham Road/Bath Road storm sewer connector, and declaring an emergency.

Mr. Demasi stated this is for a 24" storm sewer at 461 Graham Road. They will take this storm sewer to the storm sewer on Bath Road. The existing sewer has failed and is not in the City's easement. The property owner has asked the City to upgrade the sewer so the City has sent an easement to the property owner. It is 264 feet long. They received 19 bids which were opened on September 29. The completion date is scheduled for November 20. Mrs. Ritzinger asked if they would be going through the Bootlegger parking lot. Mr. Demasi indicated they would. Mrs. Klinger asked what this was budgeted under. Mr. Brodzinski stated it was under the miscellaneous storm water budget. Mrs. Klinger asked how much of the \$155,000 has been appropriated. Mr. Brodzinski stated certainly much less. He added that there are savings to cover this. Mrs. Klinger stated she would appreciate receiving that information.

Committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. B-100.

Temp. Ord. B-101

An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for professional design and engineering services for the extension of Prospect Avenue between Front and Second Streets, and declaring an emergency.

Mrs. Truby stated that one goal of the master plan was walkability and visibility of the river. This allows the City to get design and engineering for the extension. The budget was for \$40,000. The project was bid and a firm was selected for \$36,000. Mrs. Ritzinger asked about the bridge dedication. Mrs. Truby stated it was Wednesday, October 14 at 1:00 p.m. Mrs. Pyke asked if there would be any water or sewer on the new street. Mrs. Truby stated there would. Mrs. Pyke asked if there would be a curb cut for the Watermark project. Mrs. Truby stated until they actually get into designing the street, she did not know. She added there would be a sidewalk on both sides of the street and also street parking on both sides of the street.

Committee recommended bringing out Temp. Ord. B-101.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m..