

BOARD OF WORKS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

JANUARY 13, 2010

4:00 P.M.

10 SOUTH STATE STREET

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 127

PRESENT:	Joe Duffy	Greg Niece
	Ron Nichter	Chief Jester
	Brad DeReamer	Chief Roberts
	Gregg Morelock	Nelson Castrodale
	Larry J. Breese	Joanie Fitzwater
	Mike Fruth	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Nichter to approve the December 21, 2009 meetings as presented and circulated, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN:

DeReamer moved to elect Joe Duffy to serve as chairman for another year, seconded by Nichter. Motion carried *viva voce*.

MAYOR'S OFFICE:

DeReamer moved to approve the Professional Services Agreement with Thomas P. Miller and Associates, LLC for the year 2010 as submitted, seconded by Duffy. Motion carried *viva voce*.

DeReamer moved to name Larry McGuire the 2010 Census coordinator position as funded by the Common Council, seconded by Nichter. Motion carried *viva voce*.

APPROVAL OF THE CLAIM / VOUCHERS:

DeReamer moved to approve the Claim / Vouchers as presented by the Clerk-Treasurer's Office, seconded by Nichter. Motion carried *viva voce*.

STREET / CEMETERY DEPARTMENT:

Greg Niece presented the Park Cemetery Deeds for approval. DeReamer moved to approve the Park Cemetery Deeds as presented, seconded by Nichter. Motion carried *viva voce*.

CLERK-TREASURER'S OFFICE:

Clerk-Treasurer, Breese presented the calculated buy back rates for Paid Time Off (PTO) days for various employees that had earned more than 100 days for civil city and 50 days for Firefighters earned in 2009 and not used. Nichter moved to approve the list and the amounts for those employees named, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Jester recommended that Patrolman Jon Cutler be promoted to Patrolman 1st Class effective January 23, 2010. Officer Cutler is well deserving of this promotion, because of the professionalism that he displays as an officer of the Greenfield Police Department. Officer Cutler has excelled at the police Department and has taken on extra responsibility as an evidence tech. as well.

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This is a time driven promotion for Officer Cutler. Nichter moved to approve this request for a promotion for Officer Cutler as recommended by Chief Jester, seconded by Duffy. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Chief Jester requested permission to solicit bids for the purchase of new patrol vehicles for this year as funded by the Common Council. Nichter moved to approve this request, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Roberts requested to hire Jason Bonham as a Volunteer Firefighter, effective February 1, 2010. DeReamer moved to approve this hiring as recommended by Chief Roberts, seconded by Duffy. Motion carried *viva voce*.

SEWER & WATER DEPARTMENT:

David Scheiter requested permission to solicit quotes for a new Skid-Steer for the plant usage. Nichter moved to approve this request, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Davis Scheiter and Attorney, Morelock advised board members of situation with Dolphin Capital who the Water Department purchased a water filtration system which has never worked properly and which Mr. Scheiter has asked the company to fix or remove the system from the department. The company insists that the City Water Department still owes \$1,000.00 for the system and this dialogue has been going on for some time now. Mr. Scheiter and Mr. Morelock are asking the Board of Works for guidance on this matter. After further discussion on this matter, Nichter moved to authorize Mr. Morelock to offer Dolphin Capital \$300.00 to close out the account with the City of Greenfield, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

POWER & LIGHT DEPARTMENT:

Nelson Castrodale requested permission to purchase a new bucket truck using the guidelines and pricing from the General Services Administration (GSA) contract for this type of equipment. The total price for the unit and chassis would be \$98,968.00. Nichter moved to approve this request as presented, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Nelson Castrodale requested approval to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Sebree Architects, Inc. in the amount of \$14,966.00 for design and plans for extension of the Power & Light facility. Nichter moved to approve this agreement for services as outlined in presentation and documents, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Nelson Castrodale requested that Tim Dougherty and Mike Webb be promoted to the next level of the Apprenticeship Program and receive the monetary compensation established by the Common Council, effective January 23, 2010. Nichter moved to approve the promotion of the two mentioned as recommended by Mr. Castrodale, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

Joanie Fitzwater gave an update regarding Letters of Credit from Pedcor for the Prairie Meadows Apartments and that she had received a letter of commitment from Pedcor that they would be submitting Letters of Credit from Salin Bank & Trust Company. This would meet the requirement established by this board at their last meeting. DeReamer moved to approve allowing Letters of Credit from Salin Bank for this project, seconded by Duffy. Motion carried *viva voce*.

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ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT:

Mike Fruth presented two agreements for continued service for professional services. The first is from Cleland Environmental Engineering, Inc. and the second one from Coor Consulting & Land Services Corporation. Nichter moved to accept both agreements as presented, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Mike Fruth requested permission to solicit bids for two (2) projects, being Intersection Improvements at McKenzie and Apple Streets and Regulated Drainage Relocation Project for the Franklin & McKenzie Henby Drain. Nichter moved to approve as presented, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Mike Fruth requested permission to solicit quotes for landscaping of the entrance to the Progress Business Park as designed by Cripe Architects & Engineers. Nichter moved to approve this request to solicit quotes for this work as presented, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

City Attorney, Morelock presented Interlocal Agreements between City of Greenfield and Hancock County for various intersection improvements where parts of the right-of-way would be in the county and not the city and only one project would require any monetary exposure from the county. Nichter moved to approve the four (4) agreements as presented for approval, seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Nichter asked to read a prepared statement regarding a recent article in the Daily Reporter regarding comments about an Ethics Officer appointment by Mayor DeReamer. In 2008 after the election of Mayor Brad DeReamer, the Board of Works and Public Safety sought out an individual to fulfill the Ethics position. The BOW found an individual with experience and quality of character that this position requires. With 35 years of training in the field of Ethics, the individual agreed to accept the position to represent the interest of Greenfield. Ethics is much more than fulfillment of the request or promise. Ethics requires education and the City Council knows this is not free. It also must be supported each year in the budget. The question becomes how we pay for the request of the Council. The BOW has accepted the responsibility to be good stewards of the public funds. The priority to control discretionary spending represents that stewardship. It is important for the citizens of Greenfield to know that the value of an Ethics Officer appointment was never disregarded by Mayor DeReamer or the Board of Works and Public Safety. For the Ethics process to move forward it must be made a priority by the Common Council and funding provided. Thank you for the time to allow me to speak on this matter.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to be brought before the Greenfield Board of Works and Public Safety, Nichter moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:30 p.m., seconded by DeReamer. Motion carried *viva voce*.

Larry J. Breese, IAMC, MMC
Clerk-Treasurer

Joe Duffy, Chairman
Presiding Officer