City of East Bernard Board of Alderman

Minutes of Special Meeting 28 September 2022

Present:

Marvin R. Holub, Mayor Richard "Richie" Domel., Alderman Pos 2 Andrew Webster, Alderman Pos 3 Eric Viktorin, Alderman, Pos 4 Jonathon A. Szymanski, Alderman, Pos 5 Audrey Scearce, City Secretary

Absent:

David Tomchesson, Alderman Pos 1

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Board members present, Mayor Marvin Holub called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 28, 2022, in the Union Room of the Prosperity Bank Building.

INVOCATION

Mayor Holub gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Holub led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ROAD REPAIRS COMPLETED.

There have been concerns over the road repairs and several complaints by citizens. Alderman Szymanski expressed this is not what they believed they were getting when they awarded the bid to Nelson Construction. Alderman Szymanski said we owe it to our citizens to make sure they receive the best quality of work. Mayor Holub disagreed and believes the work executed is equivalent to the work completed by Wharton County and that we did receive work equal to the bid. Alderman Domel is disappointed in the quality of work and is receiving phone calls daily. The lack of references and research in the company was a mistake and believes it's our responsibility to make sure the quality of our roads equals or improves the current condition. All Alderman presented believe the repairs do not do that and our roads returning to gravel is not acceptable. Alderman Viktorin agreed and believes that we need to request either the company to improve the repairs completed or lower the cost of the repairs as the materials used were not the quality in the bid. Alderman Webster reminded the board that they all voted for this company and the blame is on all of them. The alderman requested Mayor Holub reach out to the company and ask what they can offer to improve the repairs or if they will lower the bid due to lesser quality materials being used.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION ON BID FOR DRAINAGE PROJECT ON OTTO STREET.

Mayor Holub explained that we need to hire a new contractor to complete the drainage project on Otto Street. Joey Graves was originally awarded the bid but passed away. The family was going to complete, but it unable to do so at this time. Mayor Holub presented two bids to the board, Hot Rod Boring and King Construction. Hot Rod Boring bid \$4950 to lay the pipe we currently own and close the open ditch. King Construction bid cost of material plus 20% noting that additional grading and planning of the project is necessary to ensure drainage to its proper capacity. Alderman Webster noted that King Construction is extremely knowledgeable of East Bernard's drainage issues and has full confidence in him completely the project to benefit the area. Alderman Webster made a motion to accept King Constructions bid, seconded by Alderman Szymanski. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Szymanski made a motion, seconded by Alderman Domel to adjourn the Regular session. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

These minutes are approved on the	17th	day of October	, A.D. 2022.

ATTEST:

AUDREY SCEARCE CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:

MARVIN R. HOLUB