



MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Mankato City Council was held on January 19, 2022, at 6:00 P.M., pursuant to a call for a special meeting signed by Councilman Sam Becker, Councilman John Tyler, and Councilman Kevin Ost. Present were Mayor Schoonover, Councilmen Klos, Becker, Tyler, Ost and Councilman George Hennion appeared via Zoom. Also present was City Clerk Sharon McCormick, City Attorney Darrell Miller and Amanda Horn of North Central Regional Planning Commission. Jim Kohman of CES Engineering arrived at 7:00 P.M. as scheduled.

The purpose of the meeting was for consideration of a proposal from the Kansas League of Municipalities to assist in a search for candidates for City Administrator; discussion of pay out of sick leave and vacation pay for Barry Parsons; discussion of employing former Council person Susan Abel to assist organization of the city files; and for a presentation by CES Engineering of bid proposals for the water project.

After discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to sign the proposal from the Kansas League of Municipalities to assist with search for a new City Administrator.

Discussion was had concerning the sick leave and vacation pay owed to Barry Parsons. It was suggested by City Attorney Miller that he and one Councilman meet with Barry to discuss the amount owed and that the matter be presented to the Council at the February 8 regular City meeting for determination. Councilman John Tyler volunteered to participate in the meeting with Barry and City Attorney Miller.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of employing former Council person Susan Abel to assist with organization of the City files. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to employ Susan Abel to assist with organization of the City files and to pay her compensation of \$15.00 per hour.

Engineer Jim Kohman, of CES Engineering, presented the results of the bidding for Phase 1 of the water line replacement project.

The bids received were: Superior Excavating, Valley Center, KS - \$2,230,388.41
Timco, Bristow, OK - \$3,541,950.00
APAC, Hutchinson, KS - \$1,987,049.00

All of the bids were qualified bids. Kohman recommended that the Council award the bid to APAC and sign an Agreement with APAC for Phase 1 of the water line replacement project. Kohman advised that he was familiar with the quality of work performed by APAC in other projects and that APAC's bid was within the engineer's estimate.


A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the bid of APAC and for the proper officers to sign the contract.

Kohman then presented a general outline of the time table for the completion of Phase 1 of the water line replacement project.

There being no further business on the call for the special meeting, the meeting was adjourned.



Justin Schoonover
Mayor



Sharon McCormick
City Clerk