

Village of Balsam Lake

Sewer/Water/M&E Committee

Monday, March 18th, 2024

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Len Manning at 4:40 p.m.

Members present on roll call: Len Manning, Jamey Flaherty, Kellie Flaherty

Others present: David Patterson, Jim Duncan,

Discussion and possible action regarding easements for future Water Treatment Plant. Director of Public Works, David Patterson was in attendance. SEH reached out to the Village last week to touch base on the upcoming project. David Patterson notes that the target for bidding the Water Treatment Plant is set to begin April 1st, 2024. Once concluded, SEH will have a bid opening date that everyone is welcome to stream through Teams. With bid closings the beginning of May, the Sewer, Water, M&E Committee will have to meet prior to the next board meeting to review the bid tab.

Discussion and possible action on painting water tower. KLM emailed a proposal for maintenance services. KLM performed an evaluation of the exterior of the 50,000-gallon tower. The recommendations in the report identify maintenance be performed to extend the life of the coating. KLM created a scope of work based on the recommendations in the evaluation report. This scope of work was sent to three (3) qualified contractors to provide quotes to perform spot coating repairs. The benefit to today's spot coating repairs is designed to extend the life of the existing coatings system. KLM reviewed bids from Hartung Coatings LLC (\$34,900.00), Slack Painting LLC (\$36,000.00), classic Protective Coatings Inc (\$197,760.00). KLM recommends hiring Hartung Coatings LLC in combination with KLM for construction management. The Total bid for services combined would be \$42,540.00. Len Manning inquired about the quality of red paint the company would use. David Patterson noted he would check with KLM regarding the quality of paint. It was noted funds could be utilized from the water department reserves to fund this type of project.

Motion by Kellie Flaherty to recommend to the Village Board Hiring KLM as the Village contractor for the repainting of the red municipal water tower for \$42,540.00. Second by Jamey Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.

Discussion and possible action for Village plow trucks. Over the past month David Patterson networked with various vendors to attain bids for a new plow truck. Through developing a bid document for the snow plow, David Patterson was able to attain two bids based on similar attributes. Allstate Peterbilt quoted the Village \$127,815.00 and Ascendance Truck Center quoted the village \$129,800.00 on an international with the addition of an extended warranty for an additional \$2,700.00. It was noted there are service centers close by that are certified to work on both a Peterbilt plow truck and an International plow truck. David Patterson noted, he did not have a preference between the two plow trucks. **Motion by Jamey Flaherty to recommend to the Village Board purchasing a 2024 Peterbilt model 548 from Allstate Peterbilt group for \$127,815.00. Second by Kellie Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.** Dave Patterson also attained two bids for the purchase of a 10' stainless steel dump body. Monroe Trucks submitted a quote for the box at \$84,212.00 and Universal Truck Equipment Inc. submitted a quote for a similar box at \$102,054.00. **Motion by Kellie Flaherty to recommend to the board purchase a 10' stainless steel dump box for the new plow truck from Monroe Trucks costing \$84,212.00. Second by Jamey Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.**

Discussion and possible action on purchasing a brush mower attachment for skid steer. It has been noted that the walking trails on Village owned property are becoming over grown. David Patterson researched a variety of brush cutter/mower attachments for skid steers. David Patterson shared with the committee pricing for a new 48" Hydraulic Swing Arm Brush Cutter/Mower from Rigs4Less. The price listed on the quote came to \$5,495.00 in addition to a \$500.00 wiring harness. David Patterson noted with Public Works Department would utilize it for trail clearing, mowing ditches and the Village public lake accesses. Currently the Village spends an estimated \$800.00 annually renting a similar brush cutter from the Polk County Highway Department, so over time, there could be a cost savings for the Village. **Motion by Jamey Flaherty to recommend to the Village Board purchasing a 48" Hydraulic Swing Arm Brush Cutter/**

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Mower and wiring harness from Rigs4Less costing a total of \$5995.00. Second by Kellie Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.

Discussion and possible action regarding Cross Connection inspections completed in 2023 and plan for 2024. Reminder letters will be sent out to businesses who are not in compliance or did not complete a cross connection inspection in 2024.

To consider and possibly act to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 exemptions (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Discussion and possible action regarding utility easements for water treatment plant. **Motion by Jamey Flaherty to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 exemptions (1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Discussion and possible action regarding utility easements for water treatment plant. Second by Kellie Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.**

Motion by Jamey Flaherty to go into open session. Second by Kellie Flaherty. All in Favor. Carried.

No statement from closed session was made.

Motion to adjourn by Jamey Flaherty. Seconded by Kellie Flaherty. Carried. 5:30 p.m.

Amy VanDeBrake, Village Clerk Treasurer