

April 16, 2012

UTILITIES COMMITTEE

2:30 P.M.

Chairperson Gary Ruff called the meeting to order. Members present: Gary Ruff and David Earney. Absent: Larry Farl.

Also present: Debra Burce, Joe Wick, Bob Scow and Linda Torgerson.

Agenda Item 4: One-truck bids.

Following were the truck bid results:

Osseo Ford-----\$24,527.00
Fountain City Ford-----\$25,850.00
Sugar Loaf Ford-----\$24,459.00

Discussion was held. Joe Wick commented that Osseo Ford has the correct wheel base needed for the box that will be added on and stated that for an additional \$284 the 4.3 gear ratio can be obtained through Osseo Ford.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to order the one-ton truck through Osseo Ford for the bid stated and add the 4.30 ratio for an additional \$284. All members voting yes.

Joe informed the committee that Universal provided the bid of \$21,609.00 for a package plow, box and sander all stainless steel.

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to order the package of stainless steel plow, box and sander from Universal at a cost of \$21,609.00. All members voting yes.

Agenda Item 3a: Summer help.

Applications for summer help were reviewed. The two applicants for the summer help hired were: Ryan Reidt (\$11.00/hr) and Darrin Loewenhagen (\$10.00/hr) with alternates of Tyler Rieck and Kyle Ritscher. The summer help will be working five days per week.

Bernie Bartz, part-time city crew, was granted four days a week with work permitting otherwise back to three days per week.

Agenda Item 1a: Road projects for 2012.

Badland Road, Old STH 35 and museum drive are the projects that bids will be let out for.

Ruff commented that Badland Road needs to be ditched and the culverts inspected prior to the road work being done.

All road work is to be done by August 31, 2012.

Motion by Earney seconded by Ruff to advertise the street projects and have bids due by May 4, 2012 at noon. All members voting yes.

Bid opening was scheduled for 1:30 on May 4, 2012.

Bob Scow inquired about the possibility of having Dairyland Power take over Old STH 35 since they are the only ones benefiting from the road. Scow will speak to Dairyland Power and report back.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to add Nelson Road as a road project for this year where the hydrant and valve were installed. All members voting yes.

Deb Burce requested that the Town of Nelson be contacted to plow Badland Road for the next five years since the City of Alma has been doing it the past six years.

Ruff will contact Town of Nelson and speak to Jeff Reglin regarding ditching and the culverts on Badland Road.

Agenda Item 1b: Mill Creek road closure. Property owners have not been contacted by the committee and the legal description needs to be done before the process can begin.

Motion by Ruff seconded by Earney to adjourn. All members voting yes.