

Public Services Committee Meeting Minutes
January 19, 2010

Chairman Nold called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Members Present: Aldermen Nold, Schmitter and Larsen

Staff Present: Mayor Sullivan, Gard, Beguhn, Gallo, Kitsembel, Duffy, Frye, Lamp, Wohlfeil and Coenen

Others present: Ald. Miller, Antonneau, Cochrane and Kohlenberg and Atty. Chapman

2. Consider/recommend Purchase of Truck Chassis and Dump Body with attachments

Frye reported the Department of Public Works advertised for the purchase of a truck chassis and a dump body with snowplow, wingplow and sander. The purchase of the chassis and body will allow for the replacement of a 1979 dump truck with snowplow and sander. The cab of this vehicle has started to rust away from the frame so replacement is necessary. Staff recommends acceptance of the proposals from Lakeside International for the truck chassis in the amount of \$71,975 and Monroe Truck and Equipment for the dump body with attachments in the amount of \$50,711. He explained Lakeside quoted a truck with 2007 emission standards, whereas Truck Country quoted both 2007 and 2010 emissions. The department does not want to get in on the first run of new (2010) emission standards and by not doing so, we save approximately \$8,000. The snowplow blade spring type for the low quote from Casper does not meet the City's specifications as it is a torsion spring versus the specified compression spring. To illustrate this, Frye used the projection screen to display pictures of the truck with attachments and the difference between torsion springs and compression springs. He further explained that replacement of a compression spring on the Monroe equipment would cost about \$100 as we are able to do it with our personnel and the torsion spring on the Casper unit would need to be sent to the dealer for replacement at an estimated cost of \$1,800. Based on long term maintenance cost, the \$714 difference in quotes is justified. The total cost of the purchase is \$122,686. It was included in the 2010 budget with an estimated cost of \$110,000 and the \$12,686 difference will come from contingency.

The Committee asked how many miles the City plows, number of trucks and what will happen to the old truck. Frye stated 73 miles, 11 trucks and the old truck will be put up for sale.

Motion by Larsen to recommend the purchase of a truck chassis from Lakeside International and a dump body with attachments from Monroe Truck and Equipment for a total cost of \$122,686; second by Schmitter. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Nold to adjourn; second by Schmitter. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Minutes taken by
Diane Coenen, City Clerk
Ald. Larsen, Secretary