
CITY OF MILTON-FREEWATER GOVERNING BODY

Verl Pressnall At Large, Position 1
Steve Irving At Large, Position 2
Edwin E. Chesnut At Large, Position 3

Lewis S. Key Mayor
Orrin Lyon (CL President) Ward 1
Bradley J. Humbert Ward 2
Jose Garcia Ward 3

**CITY OF MILTON-FREEWATER
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES****August 26, 2019**

The Council of the City of Milton-Freewater met Monday, August 26, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Office at City Hall, 722 S. Main, Milton-Freewater, Oregon.

The following City Council members were present: Mayor Lewis Key, Councilors Ed Chesnut, Jose Garcia, Brad Humbert and Verl Pressnall.

Councilor Steve Irving was absent.

Staff members present were: City Manager Linda Hall, City Recorder Leanne Steadman and Public Works Superintendent Brian Steadman.

Citizen Paul Seaquist was present.

There was no news media present.

Mayor Key called the meeting to order and asked for a prayer in honor and memory of Council President Orrin Lyon who had just recently passed away.

BUSINESS ITEM:***BID AWARD – AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
LOCUST MOBILE VILLAGE WATER LINE EXTENSION***

Public Works Superintendent Brian Steadman stated the City, working with Business Oregon and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has designed a water line extension to provide safe drinking water to the Locust Mobile Village and Outwest Motel. The water line extension project is funded through the OHA's Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program. The water line extension includes connecting to an existing water line near the intersection of N. Elizabeth and NE 11th Avenue and extending services along N. Elizabeth to its intersection with OR11 and continuing along the west side of OR11, north of Cobb Road. Anderson Perry & Associates were contracted to conduct the survey and design work for the water line extension. The design has been approved by the City, OHA and Business Oregon. Easements along the west side of OR11 have been obtained allowing for simplified installation and maintenance of the water line. The project was advertised as required. There were three companies that provided bids, Premier Excavation, Inc., Don Jackson Excavation, LLC and Eastern Oregon Contracting. Premier Excavation's bid, \$568,393.65 was within 6% of the engineer's estimate of \$536,970. The project is being funded through OHA's Safe Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Program. This is a grant from the State, with the City serving as a pass through grant recipient for the OHA funds. The City's portion of the project entails the abandonment of an old water line between NE 10th and NE 11th Avenue to the new water line and installation of new services from City limits to OR11.

Manager Hall stated that when this project was first presented to the City Council, they were adamant that it would not cost the city tax payers any funds for this project. She said that when

the project was designed it made sense to staff to replace the old water line between NE 10th and NE 11th Avenue and to upgrade those meters in that area during the course of this project. This work will come out of the City's capital water expenditures budget. She also stated that staff has in writing from the State that they will cover the additional cost between the engineers estimate and lowest bidder.

Councilor Humbert stated that the engineer and lowest bidder could handle this project and stated with a project this size he expected due diligence with both companies on meeting or exceeding required inspections.

Paul Seaquist asked if the project was funded by a grant or if there was a required amount of payback.

Councilor Humbert stated the funds were provided by the Oregon Health Authority with no payback required.

Mr. Steadman stated staff's recommendation was to award the bid to Premier Excavation, Inc. as they were the apparent low bidder.

Councilor Chesnut motioned to award contract for construction of the Locust Mobile Village Water Line Extension to Premier Excavation, Inc. of Pasco, Washington in the amount of \$568,393.65, with the condition that the State of Oregon, Business Oregon Department is able to fund the additional funding needed to cover the amount over the engineer's estimate. Council Humbert seconded the motion.

Manager Hall stated that Councilor Irving was absent but indicated he was in favor of awarding the bid to the low bidder, Premier Excavation, Inc.

The motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Lewis S. Key, Mayor