

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
Aug. 15, 2016

Members Present: Douglas Baker, Mayor
Jane Dlugos
Donna Fletcher, Deputy Mayor
James Johnson
Samuel Lyons
James Marshall

Members Excused: Ryan Rudegeair

In Attendance: Tracy Jamieson, City Manager
Sheila Boughner, Community Development Director/ Recording Secretary
John Haag, Venango Newspapers, Inc.

Mayor Baker called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

BID AWARD - Resolution No.135

Mrs. Jamieson said two bids were received for the Safety & Accessibility Project, which calls for the replacement of nine handicapped-accessible curb cuts and associated curbing, sidewalk replacement, wiring, road paving, signage and pavement markings in the downtown area of Liberty Street.

The bids were from Blue Rock Construction LLC in the amount of \$96,804.37 and M & B Services LLC in the amount of \$124,448.71.

Mrs. Jamieson recommended that the bid be awarded to the low bidder.

Mrs. Fletcher moved to award the bid to Blue Rock Construction in the amount of \$96,804.37, and Mrs. Dlugos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Council members expressed concerns that the project might interfere with Applefest, scheduled for Oct. 7 to 9, but Mrs. Jamieson said the work must be substantially complete by Sept. 30.

CONTRACT EXTENSION - Resolution No.136

In a related matter, Mrs. Jamieson asked Council to consider extending the contract of AECOM, which provided the engineering for the Safety & Accessibility Project, to include some project inspection services at a cost not to exceed \$4,950.97.

Mr. Marshall so moved.

Mr. Lyons seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE - Resolution No. 137

Mrs. Fletcher made a motion to designate Mayor Baker as the City of Franklin's voting delegate at the annual summit of the Pennsylvania Municipal League, scheduled for Oct. 4 to 6 in Lancaster.

Mr. Johnson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

MINIMUM BID – Resolution No. 138

Mrs. Jamieson said the City-owned lot that Family Services & Children’s Aid Society hopes to purchase measures 1.187 acres. The lot is part of a larger 8.07-acre parcel located next to the Professional Building off Prospect Avenue. Based on appraisals provided by Rick Beith of Beith Associates, the minimum bid on the lot should be \$24,475, she said. Mr. Beith appraised the entire parcel at \$180,000. Mrs. Jamieson said the subdivision of the lot was approved by the Venango County Regional Planning Commission.

Mr. Marshall moved and Mr. Johnson seconded a motion to put the 1.187-acre parcel out to bid and to set the minimum bid at \$24,475.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Marshall observed that the bidding will not be limited to Family Services & Children’s Aid Society but will be open to anyone.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Resolution No.139

Mrs. Jamieson asked for a brief executive session to discuss two items related to negotiations.

Mrs. Fletcher moved to enter into executive session and Mrs. Dlugos seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Council entered into executive session at 4:10 PM.

ADJOURNMENT

Council returned to regular session, and there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Boughner, Recording Secretary