## NOVEMBER 20, 2023 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES CITY OF EDGERTON

Tim Shaw called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Present: Candy Davis, Shawn Prebil and Tim Shaw

Others Present: City Administrator Ramona Flanigan, City Clerk Wendy Loveland, Municipal Services Director Howard Moser, City Treasurer Maddie Deegan, Library Director Beth Krebs-Smith, Police Chief Bob Kowalski, Mayor Christopher Lund, and a few citizens.

Loveland confirmed the meeting agendas were properly posted on Friday, November 17, 2023 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library, City Hall and the City's website. [Loveland clarified at the Council meeting, the agendas were posted to the website on November 19, 2023]

**MINUTES:** A Candy Davis/Shawn Prebil motion to approve the minutes from the November 6, 2023 Finance meeting passed, all voted in favor.

**BILLS AND PAYROLL:** A Tim Shaw/Candy Davis motion to approve the bills and payroll in the amount of \$304,257.27 passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**LEAD LATERAL FUNDING**: The Utility applied for grant and loan funding from the DNR Safe Water Drinking Fund (SDWF) to replace the remaining lead laterals. The PSC did approve the request by the Utility to pay for up to 50% of the replacement cost using rate payer funds. The grant was to cover the remaining 50% however, the approval of the grant was for 25%, leaving a shortfall. The Committee was given some options to cover the shortfall.

Some of the options presented included borrowing from the SDWF at a .25% rate; using ARPA funds; using city savings; using capital surplus; or to special assess the property owners.

The Utility Commission discussed the shortfall at their last meeting and recommended completing the project and borrowing the funds for the shortfall.

A Tim Shaw/Candy Davis motion to approve borrowing funds to complete the lead lateral replacement from the SDWF passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**BAKER TILLY CONTRACT FOR AUDITING SERVICES**: A Candy Davis/Shawn Prebil motion to approve the contract for Baker Tilly for auditing services passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**ADDENDUM TO CEDAR CONTRACT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES AT 407 N MAIN ST**: A Candy Davis/Shawn Prebil motion to approve the addendum to the Cedar Corp contract for environmental consulting services at 407 N Main St passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**PAYMENT TO GRACEFUL LLC FOR MARSHVIEW CT PROPERTY**: The city recently purchased the property on Marshvew Ct back from Graceful LLC. The payment was reduced by \$1,000 due to the condition of the site. The city offered to pay the additional \$1,000 if the property was graded by an agreed upon deadline. The site has now been graded, but not by the deadline.

A Tim Shaw/Shawn Prebil motion to approve the payment to Graceful LLC for the Marshview Ct property in the amount of \$1,000 passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**WWTP SOLAR INVESTMENT**: The Council approved the funding for installation of solar arrays in 5 city facilities. Upper 90 is preparing the RFPs and the scope of work for the installation.

It was reported by Upper 90 that the wastewater treatment plant array would have a longer payback than the other facilities due to the steep slope and the western orientation of the installation.

A few options were presented that included, investing in a new Community Solar project with Alliant Energy that is being constructed in Janesville and a possible install of an array at well #4 on Hain Rd instead of the WWTP. This option is being evaluated by Upper 90.

Tim Shaw inquired if the city could request the WWTP proposal be separate from the other facilities so an evaluation could be done to determine the cost effectiveness of the array at that WWTP. He stated he would like to see the RFP split in 2 parts, one part for the other 4 facilities and the second part for just the WWTP.

A Tim Shaw/Candy Davis motion to approve adding the WWTP into the RFP but doing the WWTP as an add-on passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

Being no other business before the Committee, a Candy Davis/Shawn Prebil motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Wendy Loveland City Clerk Adopted December 4, 2023