

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC WORKS
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
CITY OF HERRIN, ILLINOIS HELD IN THE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL ON
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27 , 2017 AT 5:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. Those in attendance were Mayor Steve Frattini, Alderman David Shoemake, Alderman Sheila Ahlgren, Alderman Paul York, Alderman Randy Crompton, Alderman Scott Kinley, Alderman Marilyn Ruppel, Alderman Steve Miller, Alderman Bill Sizemore, Budget Director Carrie Cravens, Treasurer Carl Goodwin, Attorney John Brewster, Fire Chief Shawn Priddy, Public Works Director Tom Somers and City Clerk Shelly Huggins.

Johnson Controls Agreement - Previously discussed was the contractual language and the \$250,000 indebtedness we would have if we did not enter into an agreement. Attorney Brewster has reviewed the proposed contract he requested changes and they have been made and resolved. Alderman Shoemake is concerned that when we discover leak, how long we have to fix. We have obligations once discovered we have a certain amount of time to fix to continue receiving benefit. Contract wouldn't be voided but we wouldn't receive benefit that the contract is designed to have. Alderman Ruppel asked about Schedule 1 where it states Marion meter. It is a meter that connects us with them. We will be replacing that meter with this contract to improve the accuracy. Alderman Miller stated he was all for the project then we found out it wasn't what it was to be. Legally there are no issues with the contract and is fair and reasonable. Hopefully the benefits will prove to be accurate. Alderman Shoemake asked if our public works can handle our end of the contract. Tom stated that we can and if we can't we will have to hire a contractor. We are going to get a town wide leak detection survey so we may pick where we want/can fix the problems. Committee will recommend in council meeting.

Housing Lift Station - Meadowdale Housing on 5th Street; at this time it is not our responsibility. Looking at the general liability we would be assuming is something we must consider before taking it on. Alderman Ruppel asked about the costs. Not knowing what repairs and maintenance it needs we cannot guess how much. The previous administration agreed that if it was built to City of Herrin's specs, once completed it would become City of Herrin property. It wasn't done as council action between a couple from housing authority and the mayor at that time. We have cleaned up other messes, and this needs to be cleaned up as well. Alderman Crompton and Alderman Miller can't vote on the matter as they are involved with the Housing Authority. Any payments on the station would come from sewer/water. Mayor encourages everyone to talk to Alderman Miller, Alderman Crompton or Tom with any questions/concerns. In the future, we will act on at council meeting. Alderman Crompton will find out estimated annual costs.

Meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.