

April 21, 2015  
Williamsburg City Council Special Meeting Minutes

Mayor Murphy called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance and noted council members Bunge, McGovern, Grier, & Kubas present. Council member Kirkpatrick attended via speakerphone. Also present was City Attorney Eric Tindal, City Engineer Jim Jacobs, Public Works Director John Avery, City Clerk Shelley Annis, Williamsburg Community School Superintendent Carol Montz and School Board Member Tom Claypool.

Mayor Murphy reported two bids were opened this afternoon at the school as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>	<u>Alternate #1(school portion)</u>	<u>Alternate #2 (City portion)</u>
Dennis Spencer	\$185,000	\$17,600	\$29,600
Bockenstedt Exc	\$182,000	\$34,000	\$39,000

The Mayor understands that the base bid reflects the School's initial design plan to route the sewer around the football field on school property to North Street. The alternate bids reflect the City's request to route both water & sewer main from the intersection of Wilson Street & Walnut Street to the front of the school.

Based upon a Thursday, April 2, 2015 meeting between Carol Montz, Tom Claypool, Duane Musser, John Avery, Dave West, Frank Murphy and Shelley Annis it was assumed that the City would cover the cost of extending the sewer and water line from intersection of Wilson Street and Walnut Street to school property and the school would pay the remainder.

At the Council Meeting on April 13, 2015 the cost estimate for the design of the sewer and water from Wilson Street and Walnut Street per was estimated to be \$23,061.50 for the City and \$4,510.00 for the school by MMS Consultants. The City Council approved \$23,061.50.

At the special meeting of the City Council on April 21, 2015, Carol Montz advised the Council that the bids had come in higher than anticipated and the School Board was requesting the City pay full cost of the sewer and water extension from the intersection of Wilson Street and Walnut Street to the front of the school.

City Attorney Tindal questioned if the school's base bid was designed to the City's standard. City Engineer Jacobs replied that they were not as the City was not consulted on the design. Tindal referenced Chapter 100 of the City Code which the School is subject to follow and states that the School must follow the City's design standards and get design plans approved by the Public Works Director and City Engineer. Jacobs reported that the two major issues with the School's base bid plan is the placing of manholes on private property and several ninety degree angles in the sewer main. Jacobs did make a request of the School's Engineer to change the pipe to SDR35. Jacobs indicated if the base bid was allowed, it would create access issues for future maintenance.

Council members Grier, McGovern and Bunge agreed there was a communication breakdown on bringing the School's design plan to the City for approval. McGovern recalled the Council was ready to run the needed infrastructure to the School during the Wilson Street Project, but the vote hadn't been favorable at that time. McGovern would be in favor of running the needed infrastructure from Wilson St to the School property now. Council member Grier reported that the Council worked the City's fiscal year 2016 Budget during January and February making cuts or denying requests of similar cost, but now feels pushed into adding expense to a Budget that was approved in March with a possible an amendment needed even before the fiscal year has begun.

Motion by Council member Bunge, second by Kubas to approve Resolution 79-15 contributing \$32,600.00 to the School for the utility extension portion of the Williamsburg High School Gym Addition Project giving the School Board until May 22, 2015 to accept a bid. Bunge, Kubas, McGovern, Grier, Kirkpatrick – aye.

Motion McGovern, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kubas to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. – all aye.