

The Britt City Council met in special session on September 21, 2017 at 5:45p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

Mayor Arndorfer called the meeting to order with Council Persons Ostercamp, Gast, Verbrugge, and Luecht answering roll. Council person Aitchison absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Arndorfer.

Others in attendance: Ashley Stewart, Eric Newton, Curran McLaughlin, Drew Sweers, Brad Siefert, Chris Clark

**PUBLIC HEARING** on plans, specifications, estimate of cost, and form of contract for commercial park opened at 5:46PM

Drew Sweers from V&K noted that the original engineer cost for the project was \$953,890.35. Brad Siefert and Chris Clark had some questions/concerns about the excess dirt from the project being placed at the lots of Sunset Ridge. Council will take these concerns into consideration before final decision on the dirt is made.

No written comments were received.

Public hearing closed at 5:57PM.

**RESOLUTION 27-2017** offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Gast approving the plans, specifications, estimate of cost, and form of contract for commercial park. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Ostercamp, Gast, Verbrugge, Luecht; Naye: none; Absent: Aitchison

**DISCUSSION** by Drew Sweers from V&K on the three bids that were received for the commercial project. The alternate bid is the cost to finish all work this fall versus doing the underground in the fall and waiting to pave in the spring of 2018.

McKiness Excavating – Mason City, IA: \$931,933.85 with alternate bid of +\$155,000  
Wicks Construction – Decorah, IA: \$940,934.35 with alternate bid of +\$150,000  
Holland Contracting – Forest City, IA: \$1,532,848.50 with alternate bid of \$0.00

**RESOLUTION 28-2017** offered by Council person Ostercamp and seconded by Council person Verbrugge awarding the contract to McKiness Excavating with a bid of \$931,933.85 without the alternate bid option and paving to be done in the spring of 2018. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Gast, Verbrugge, Luecht, Ostercamp; Naye: none; Absent: Aitchison

**RESOLUTION 29-2017** offered by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Ostercamp approving the contracts and bonds contingent upon engineer's approval. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Luecht, Verbrugge, Gast, Ostercamp; Naye: none; Absent: Aitchison

**MOTION** by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge approving to get a second opinion on the involuntary annexation from attorney Steve Bakke from Forest City and to have city attorney Earl Hall stop with the process until second opinion is reviewed.. Motion carried unanimous vote.

Discussion items:

Signs, Garbage container at Camp Park, Election

**MOTION** by Council person Gast and seconded by Council person Verbrugge adjourning meeting. Motion carried unanimous vote.

\_\_\_\_\s\ Ryan Arndorfer\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\s\ Shell Anderson\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

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