

CITY OF LAWRENCE
Board of Public Works & Safety
August 10, 2023
George Keller Public Assembly Room- Lawrence Government Center
9001 E. 59th Street
Regular Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Reeser, Mark Clark (virtual- via Teams) and Shawn Wright Browner

STAFF PRESENT: City Attorney Kaitlin Glazier, City Engineer Sri Venugopalan, Director of Streets Jim Heneghan, Deputy Chief of Operations Erika Schneider (virtual- via Teams), Captain Tracey Cantrell and Board Secretary Renea Rafala

Chairman Reeser called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 27, 2023: Mrs. Browner motioned for approval of the July 27, 2023 meeting minutes. Mr. Clark seconded, and after a roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Mrs. Glazier explained the statutory process and criteria for the Board to award a contract in response to the Solid Waste Collection and Disposal and Recycling Collection Services RFP. Ms. Rafala asked Dan Venet (VP of Municipal Sales of Priority Waste) the questions from Board members accumulated and forwarded to him earlier in the week:
- Q1. Does Priority Waste participate in MBE or any other minority recognized organizations?
A1. Priority is not registered as a minority organization. They do try to use minority suppliers when able.
- Q2. Does Priority Waste employ subcontractors?
A2. All employees that will be servicing Lawrence will be direct hire.
- Q3. What is the pricing for services offered above the minimum RFP requirements?
Q3a. Additional bulk items?
A3a. Bulk item pickup will be \$10.00 each and scheduled directly with Priority Waste.
Q3b. Additional or replacement totes?
A3b. Additional totes will be \$110.00 each (2 additional allowed) with no monthly price increase. Replacement totes will be at no charge.
Q3c. Collection of loose bags with overage tags?
A3c. Cost will remain at \$2.00 each.
- Q4. How do you plan to transition the trash receptacles?
A4. Priority Waste will work with the current vendor. They will either maintain the existing totes or will replace them. It takes approximately 30 days for delivery once ordered and about 2 weeks to distribute.
- Q5. Will the vehicles and personnel be based in Marion County?
A5. Yes, the yard is approximately 25 minutes from Lawrence.
- Q6. How are vehicle leaks handled?
A6. Priority Waste has a written policy for drivers to follow. They are instructed to stop, contain, and contact their dispatcher.

Mr. Lutz from Republic Services asked for permission to address the Board. After he did so, Mr. Fernandez, also representing Republic Services, addressed the Board.

Engineer Venugopalan requested the Board select Priority Waste in response to the RFP for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal and Recycling Collection Services, and that the City be allowed to enter contract negotiations with Priority Waste. Following discussion, the motion was made by Mrs. Browner, seconded by Mr. Clark and after a roll call vote was unanimously approved. After the contract is negotiated, it will be brought back to the Board of Public Works for acceptance and approval.

- b. Mrs. Glazier explained the review and scoring process for the Towing and Recovery Services RFP, as well as the statutory process and criteria for a contract award. Mr. Cantrell announced that the Review Committee recommended that the Board select Zore's proposal in response to the RFP for Towing and Recovery Services. After discussion Mr. Clark motioned for the acceptance of the Zore's proposal and to allow the City to enter contract negotiations. Mrs. Browner seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. After the contract is negotiated, it will be brought back to the Board of Public Works for acceptance and approval.
- c. Mr. Heneghan requested that the Board approve a Snowplow purchase for the Street Department from Brown Equipment Company in the amount of \$268,324.30. After discussion Mrs. Browner motioned for approval. Mr. Clark seconded, and after a roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS OF ADMINISTRATION: Mr. Venugopalan announced the repaving of Franklin Road will begin the next and be completed by the end of September.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Mr. Rapp, 5718 Wallingwood Dr, submitted a letter to the Board for their review.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:41pm by the unanimous vote of the Board.



Doug Reeser, Chairman



Renea Rafala, Board Secretary