

MEETING MINUTES

GRAND RAPIDS COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION



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Held: October 4, 2018

The Council of The Village of Grand Rapids convened in special session from 7:00 P.M. to 7:40 P.M. in the Grand Rapids Town Hall. Mayor John Berry called the meeting to order with the following members and employees present:

Bill Steck - Present

Mark Sarkan - Present

Rachel Smith - Present

Jody Donsbach - Present

Bob Krabill - Present

Jeremy Treen - Absent

EMPLOYEES: Chad Hoffman, Kristel Beyer

Mayor explained we called this meeting to discuss a new replacement vehicle due to the issues we have been experiencing with our current dump truck because of its age. Winter is approaching we need to look over this closely and make a decision.

Administrator stated this is the most used vehicle we have. We have had this truck for 21 years, we have had several different issues with the truck. If we want to get a new truck it takes 10 weeks to get it put together. There is a truck that we can purchase and not have to wait the 10 weeks. This particular truck does not need a cdl to operate.

Smith asked if this was the truck we replaced the body on a year or so ago. Administrator said no its not. Smith asked if we recently purchased a v plow. Administrator stated no we have not. Smith asked if we could use the current v plow we have on the new truck. Administrator stated we can but he was told it would cost more to fit it than getting one with the truck. Smith asked what we would do with the current truck we have. Administrator said we can sell it or we can continue to use it until it fails completely. Donsbach asked how much it would cost to repair the current truck. Administrator stated a few hundred dollars but that would be a quick fix. Sarkan asked if this cost includes a spreader, if so then we would have two spreaders. Administrator said no we would have a hopper box and a spreader. Sarkan asked if there is any kind of anti-corrosion to put under the truck to keep it from corroding. Administrator said it comes with an undercoat on it already. Steck asked where we were going to get the money from to purchase. Administrator said since this truck is a multi-use vehicle it can come from several different funds to purchase. Steck asked if this would put a crunch on anything financially. Administrator stated no, we are fortunate we can use our utility funds to help with purchasing. Krabill asked if there is any funding available we could apply for. Administrator stated no but we could lease the truck. Sarkan is not for spending more tax payer money than necessary. If we have a big truck and a little truck could we possibly get something bigger and better to make it worthwhile to do more things with it. This could allow us to more effectively and efficiently use the money and possibly save more money in the long run. Administrator stated we could but it would cost a lot more, probably double or even more. The small dump truck is used more frequently than the bigger one. Smith asked how often do we have two people plowing at the same time.

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Administrator stated all the time. Smith is concerned about keeping the old truck. Administrator stated we won't get the money its worth if we do sell it. Steck said if we are not going to get anything for the old truck then he thinks we should utilize it still. Donsbach stated our issue with ODOT is not resolved yet would there be a need. Administrator stated we always plow the streets after ODOT goes through town to keep it clean. Smith asked if we could do a sealed bid and set a minimum bid price. Administrator stated yes. Sarkan asked if we had any idea how much insurance would be if we keep both trucks. Administrator stated he would look into that but he thinks around \$300 a year. Sarkan asked about using the bigger blue truck on the alleys. Administrator said we would never do that because it is to heavy and would create more work in the Spring. Sarkan thinks we should keep both trucks for a period of time and revisit selling the other one in the Spring. Administrator said that's a good idea and if it works out we may sell the blue truck instead. Krabill asked what people would buy these trucks for. Administrator stated a lawn company that does snow removal would use it. Krabill thinks it would be better to wait until after winter as well. Smith stated it still doesn't fix the tailgate problem on the current truck, we would still have to repair that. Administrator said we can discuss that in the spring as well since we don't use the tailgate in the winter. Smith is fine with purchasing a new truck but is concerned about the other 2 trucks. We will need to revisit this. Donsbach asked if there were two separate quotes or is this a package quote. Administrator stated its one quote we are purchasing it through Reineke at state bid and then they send it to Kalida Truck Equipment to package it up.

Donsbach made a motion seconded by Smith to waive the 3 readings and declare an emergency to Ordinance 2018-4: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2018 FORD F-550 CHASSIS CAB WITH SNOW PLOW, DUMP BODY AND SALT SPREADER THROUGH THE OHIO COOPERATIVE BID PROGRAM.

Votes were: Krabill – yes Smith - yes

Steck-yes

Donsbach - yes

Sarkan – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Donsbach made a motion seconded by Smith for passage of Ordinance 2018-4.

Votes were:

Smith – yes

Steck – yes

Donsbach – yes

Sarkan – yes

Krabill – yes

MOTION APPROVED

Fiscal Officer stated Ordinance 2018-4 passes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Smith made a motion, seconded by Donsbach, to adjourn.

Votes were:

Steck – yes

Smith-yes

Krabill– yes

Sarkan – yes

Donsbach – yes

MOTION APPROVED

The meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is October 22, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the

Grand Rapids Town Hall.

Kristel Beyer, Fiscal Officer

John Berry, Mayor

All formal actions of the Council of The Village of Grand Rapids concerning and relating to the adoption of resolutions and/or motions passed at this meeting were adopted in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with the law, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.