

**WORTHINGTON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING, SEPTEMBER 23, 2009**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Alan E. Oberloh with the following Aldermen present: Lyle Ten Haken, Mike Kuhle, Scott Nelson, Ron Wood, Mike Woll.

Staff present: Craig Clark, City Administrator; Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering; Janice Oberloh, City Clerk.

COUNTY DITCH 12 IMPROVEMENT OPTIONS

Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, updated Council on various options for improvements to County Ditch 12 presented by Barr Engineering. Options discussed and their associated costs were: channel improvement option 1 - \$8.2M; channel improvement option 2 - \$13.6M; storage improvement option - \$8.1M; pumping option 1 - \$9.9M; and pumping option 2 - \$7.9M. Mr. Haffield will take Council's comments and input back to Barr for their consideration.

KRAGNESS AVENUE STREET SECTION FOR TH 60 PROJECT

Mr. Haffield presented three options for the Kragness Avenue street section of the TH60 project, noting MnDOT was asking for direction from Council. Options presented included:

- 44' wide street with curb and gutter and parking on both sides
- 38' wide street with curb and gutter on both sides with parking on west side only
- 38' wide street with curb and gutter on the west side, parking on the west side only, and a rural edge on the east side.

Following discussion, Council consensus was to request the second option of a 38' street with curb and gutter on both sides and parking on the west side only. Mr. Haffield will take that information back to MnDOT.

TENTH AVENUE WHISKEY DITCH CROSSING

Council discussed the Tenth Avenue Whiskey Ditch bridge, with Dwayne Haffield, Director of Engineering, who noted that while repair/replacement of the bridge was coming due, it actually looks worse than it structurally is. Mr. Haffield noted they would probably be looking at some type of pre-cast replacement. Discussion centered on moving the intersection slightly to the north and creating more of a 90° angle for safety.

Consensus of the Council was to remake the intersection to leave Park Avenue as the main thru street and make Tenth Avenue a leg at a safer 90° angle and possibly even further north.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROCUREMENT OPTIONS FOR TH59 NORTH IMPROVEMENTS

Dwayne Haffield told Council it's time to get started on a lot of things related to the TH59 north improvements project such as turn lane layout, ditch relocation, FEMA related stuff, etc. Mr. Haffield said we could start with a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ), then narrow it down those qualified firms from which you want proposals. His preference would be to go directly to a handful of firms that could take it from the design process and walk it through the construction process. Mr. Haffield listed several firms in the area who are qualified to do this.

Council consensus was to not use the SOQ, but to look at five or six of those firms who could take it from design through construction.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Woll, seconded by Alderman Kuhle and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 a.m.

Janice Oberloh
City Clerk