
PUBLIC WORKS

Wednesday September 24, 2025 6:30 PM at City Hall 405 Jewel Street MINUTES



Members Present: Jim Ronge, Bart Coons, Troy, Justmann, Joe Ludtke, and Mayor Dan

Wegener

Members Absent: Doug Lee
Also, Present: Royce Nehls

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm and roll call was taken.

Justmann/Ronge motioned to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Justmann/Ronge motioned to approve the minutes from July 8, 2025. Motion carried.

Public/Citizen Comments: None

Review, Discuss, and Possibly Approve Nehls Brothers to use ditch at the Wild Goose Park for Field Tile Discharge.

Royce Nehls spoke on tiling hos field adjacent to the Wild Goose subdivision. There was concern that any more water would overwhelm the current system there. He explained that the tiling would help because more water would be taken out of the area causing dryer conditions and less water retention between rainfalls. His tiling contractor could not be at the meeting, and he was going to try and get him a meeting with the committee to further explain. No action taken as more discussion and information is needed. Best solution would be to go the East, but neighbor is reluctant right now. We will try to arrange a meeting with all.

Review, Discuss, and Possibly Approve Annual Replacement for Mini Excavator.

Ronge motioned and Justmann seconded to approve the purchase of the mini excavator at the price of \$22,498.00, with the replacement fee of \$7,000 per year. This would be a City-wide purchase with the DPW contributing 40%, the Electric Department contribution 40% and the Water Utility contributing 20%. Motion carried 2-0.

Review, Discuss, and Possibly Approve the Purchase of a Water Tank for Planters on E. Oak Street.

Ronge motioned and Justmann seconded to approve the purchase of a watering tank for flower watering, tree watering, and other uses. Proposal was for \$4925.00 for a 300-gallon poly tote that would fit on our yellow trailer. It would have a Honda engine and pump for watering plants and trees. There will be a need to water replanted trees and the new flowerpots that are going to be put out. Motion carried 2-0.

Superintendent's Report was presented.

Joe reported that they had swept the fairgrounds and helped Reeseville from derailment. Basketball and tennis courts are done. All City buildings are now repaired from the storm except for the siding at the City Hall. Siding is at the City Hall, just waiting for installation. Road painting is done, and the DPW is starting to replant trees.

Old Business- None

New Business- House on Fairfield that burned down and razed. Ronge expressed that this is a health and safety hazard with the open basement. Question is why it was not taken and filled at

that time. It needs to be acted on soon as it is unsafe and unhealthy. Will need to get in touch with building inspector and City attorney.

Date and time set for the next meeting will be Wednesday October 29 2025, at 6:30 pm. *Justmann/Ronge motioned* to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 pm. Motion carried.

Minutes Reported By: Jim Ronge