

CITY OF NORTON

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BOARD OF CONTROL MINUTES Monday, March 27, 2023

Mayor Zita called the Board of Control meeting to order at 6:46 p.m. and requested a roll call:

Roll Call:

Mayor Mike Zita
Philip Turske, Administrative Officer
Pamela Keener, Finance Director
Paul Tousley, President of Council
Doug DeHarpart, Vice President of Council

Also Present: Brian Binsley, City Engineer Charlotte Whipkey, Council-at-Large Jamie Lukens, Council Ward 2 Kerry Macomber, Acting Secretary

Old Business - None

New Business

<u>Purchase of two precast culverts</u> – Mayor Zita noted this is to purchase two precast culverts for the Eastern Road Resurfacing Project from Mack Industries in a total amount not to exceed \$136,080. Mr. Turske said that there has been a number of delays and we are trying to expedite this project and bid it out this spring or early summer. If we purchase culverts now, we can get a lower contract price by having the contractor use our culverts. Plus, there are two contractors close to Norton to avoid large shipping charges.

Mr. Tousley asked if this changes the funding and Mr. Turske responded negatively. There was discussion regarding the flooding of neighbors and questioned if the size of these culverts would prevent future flooding.

Brian Brinsley, GPD Group, 520 South Main St, Akron OH 44311 – Mr. Binsley discussed the hydraulic analysis that was given to the City on February 5, 2020. That analysis determined the 6' to 9' culvert was sufficient for a 25-year storm with no roadway flooding. He noted that Kungle Road is a local road, which is less than 3,000 travelers per day and only needs to be designed for a 10-year storm. However, since they designed for a 25-year storm, there should be no flooding. Mr. Tousley said these culverts will be smooth and not corrugated. Mr. Binsley said this is a reinforced concrete culvert, which will work better than the corrugated. Mr. Tousley also noted that the old culverts were oval shaped and this is a square shape, which is more effective. Mr. Binsley said it is a matter of friction and water will move smoother.

Mr. DeHarpart asked about the load grading and asked how far down this will sit in the ground and Mr. Binsley responded no lower than the existing one. Mr. DeHarpart asked about the shipping charges and Mr. Binsley explained there are no shipping charges and they will store the culverts on their property. Mr. DeHarpart expressed concern about the culvert damning back up onto property owners and wants to make sure we get it right. Mr. Binsley said if you make it bigger, you will be recognized as a bridge and subject to ODOT inspections. Mayor Zita noted plus, we will have to redesign and incur that cost.

Ms. Whipkey stated that the County did not take care of it because the bridge was not long enough. Mr. Binsley said that the span was not wide enough. Ms. Whipkey said if we did make it larger, then Norton would be the owner. She said this is a question for Mr. Markey.

Mr. Lukens said the picture shows where the friction is visible and he believes a smooth culvert would move water better.

Mr. Tousley moved to authorize the purchase of two precast culverts for the Eastern Road Resurfacing Project from Mack Industries in a total amount not to exceed \$136,080; seconded by Mr. DeHarpart.

Roll Call: Yes: Tousley, DeHarpart, Zita, Turske, Keener

No: None

Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Minutes</u> - Minutes for March 13, 2023 were approved as submitted.

<u>Adjourn</u>: There being no further business to come before the Board of Control, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Approved:

Date

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry Macomber, Acting Secretary

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