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Council to hold contractors to conditions of water contract

Hoopeston officials are holding fast to details of a contract despite being offered a \$50,000 reduction in the cost of services.

At Tuesday's Hoopeston City Council meeting, engineer Mike Streff of Farnsworth Group, formerly Foth Infrastructure and Environment, brought to the council a request from the painting contractor which would have allowed the aerial tank to be wet sandblasted prior to painting. The requested change would have eliminated the need for a "containment center" or shroud over the tank.

Among concerns expressed by the painting contractor, Streff said, were a lack of experience using a shroud on a 200' tower; the need to drop the shroud any time wind speed is more than 10 m.p.h., and also at the end of each work day; the chance of snagging the shroud on antennas on the tower; and the possibility of a sudden wind gust causing the shroud to move the tank, possibly pushing it over.

Part of the tower has already been wet sandblasted, Streff said, adding experts think dry sandblasting provides a better surface for painting, allowing the paint to last longer.

He also explained that no matter what decision was

reached about the shroud, the water tower would have to be drained before it was painted to avoid condensation issues.

While the tower is empty, three pressure tanks will be put around the city to help pressure in case of fires. "If there's a fire, they're going to call me," said Steve Baker, water/sewer superintendent. Because the city will only run one pump while the tower is empty, in case of fire, Baker will have to manually start a second pump to provide additional pressure to fight fires.

The three tanks, with a combined capacity of 22,000 gallons, will be located at the nursing home, the water treatment plant and on the city's east side, Streff said.

Asked by Alderman Bill Goodwine what Streff recommended, the engineer advised to stick to the contract.

In further discussion, the option of pushing aerial tower work to next year was discussed, but Streff said Leander Construction would then be in violation of its contract, which calls for "significant completion" of the project by January 24, 2015 and final completion by September 25, 2015.

Because the issue was not on the agenda, an official vote could not be taken. Mayor Bill Crusinberry, seeking a consensus, asked each council member for an opinion. Aldermen Goodwine, Joe Fell, Carl Ankenbrand, Randy Carter, Larry Baughn and Brandon Hamilton favored staying with the contract, while Bill McElhane was in favor of wet blasting with no shroud. Alderwoman Nancy Stipp said she had no opinion on the matter.

With consensus reached, it will take about two weeks before the shroud can be installed and dry sandblasting started.

In unrelated action, the council approved two bids from Built2Last Construction for metal roofs at the Jay-
See CONTRACT on other side

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Contract continued from other side

cee Shelter in McFerren Park and the maintenance shed at Floral Hill.

Built2Last was the only bidder for the projects, and submitted bids of \$6,150 for the shelter and \$3,750 for the maintenance building.

A third bid, of \$3,950 for the cemetery chapel, was tabled to allow Hoopeston Historical Society to have input on whether a metal roof will be acceptable for the

Police News



Irvin G. Warner, 61, of Hoopeston, was arrested after an altercation at 3:57 p.m. Tuesday in the 300 block of South Market. He was charged with battery on a complaint from a 49-year-old Hoopeston woman and was released on a notice to appear in Hoopeston City Court.

Obituaries

DECK - Barbara “Jeanie” (Hensley) Deck, 64, of Hoopeston, died at 10:06 p.m. Monday, Aug. 18, 2014, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. Visitation will be 12 p.m. until the 1 p.m. celebration of her life Friday at Brown-Alkire Funeral Chapel, Hoopeston. Burial will follow in Rossville Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to Carle Guest Services.

GUFFEY - Clara Alice (Elsey) Guffey, 85, of Hoopeston, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, 2014, at Carle Foundation Hospital, Urbana. She will be cremated. Visitation will be 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. memorial service Friday at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston. Burial will be at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Baptist Camp Assurance 8364 N 2100 East Rd, Georgetown, IL 61846.

WHITE - Rosia White, 75, of Hoopeston, died at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2014, at home. Arrangements are pending at Anderson Funeral Home, Hoopeston.

Weather



Special weather statement: high heat indices are expected over the weekend from warmer temperatures and higher dew points. Chance of storms today. High 86. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 70. Tomorrow, mostly sunny. High 90, low 72

chapel.

While the society is not paying for the work, the group does provide upkeep on the historical building, Crusinberry said.

In other business, the council:

- heard from Ankenbrand that pool manager Chris Oyer is working evenings to allow the pool to stay open longer. It is expected to be open for Labor Day, he said.
- Heard from Hamilton about ordinances that may be no longer needed and could be repealed.

For example, he said, existing ordinance calls for an annual \$50 theater tax. “Here we are, trying to save the Lorraine and we want them to pay \$50,” Hamilton said, adding there are still rules from horse and buggy days.

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Hamilton suggested pulling one or two ordinances to review at each meeting, voting at the following meeting on changing or repealing them.

- Heard from Fell that Fire Chief Cliff Crabtree will retire as chief and from the department at the end of August. Joel Bird will become interim chief pending a vote by the department.
- Heard from Crusinberry, reminding people that the Sweetcorn Festival will soon be here, urging residents to “try to put a friendly face on. It’s a good chance for Hoopeston to shine.”
- Heard from Hamilton that animal ordinances are ready for council review but were not put the on the agenda. The council is expected to discuss the matter on September 2.

5th Grade Boys’ Basketball

6th Grade Boys’ Basketball

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