

A work session of the Grundy Center City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2016, in the Council Chambers by Mayor Buhrow. Present: Stefl, Ammerman, Miller, Hamann and Kiewiet. Absent: None

Stefl moved and Hamann seconded the approval of the meeting agenda as written. Motion carried five ayes.

Mayor Buhrow then opened the discussion about the 801 7th Street property. Buhrow explained the presentation from Don Seymour, FEH & Associates to the members who were absent at our previous council meeting. Stefl asked the other Council Members on their thoughts, if they felt hiring FEH & Associates was the route to go for demolition of the building. Kiewiet mentioned that after listening to the different presenters that had been in the building recently, he felt the building is beyond salvageable. Miller felt the need to develop the lot was important. General consensus was to put all our focus on our Main Street properties at this time. No formal action was taken at this time.

Mayor Buhrow then opened the next discussion about the sanitation contract bids. Public Works Director, Dan Bangasser, opened two bids which were both received November 28, 2016:

1. Scotty's Sanitation: No changes made from current contract
 - a: Sanitation Contract: \$60,800 per year
 - b: Recycling Contract: \$50,736 per year
 - c: Hauling fees: \$18/ton
 - d: Dumpster fees: \$5/delivery
2. Cooley's Sanitation: 1 day/week residential pickup; larger recycling center needed;
 - a: Sanitation Contract: \$49,800 first year; \$50,400 second year; \$51,000 third year
 - b: Recycling Contract: \$49,800 first year; \$50,400 second year; \$51,000 third year
 - c: Hauling fees: \$17/ton first year; \$17.50/ton second year; \$18/ton third year
 - d: Dumpster fees: \$5/delivery

Discussion began with Bangasser saying the number of residents in this bid packet was increased to 1100 residences based on the billing that is sent out monthly. Both bidders suggested a manned recycling center, which council members agreed is needed. No formal action was taken at this time.

Mayor Buhrow then opened the last discussion about Ordinance 531 – Parking Regulations. Sawyer explained that the correction was made to leave the signs for the west side 9th Street from H to I Avenue. Sawyer also pointed out that at last meeting there was a request made by for no parking on M Avenue and 11th Street around the High School building. Buhrow suggested we ask the School District to add parking requirements to the student handbook and encourage the enforcement there as well. More discussion and changes needed to the draft ordinance before proceeding. No formal action was taken at this time.

Miller moved and Stefl seconded adjournment of the work session at 6:28pm. Motion carried five ayes.

Brian Buhrow, Mayor

Attest: Kristy Sawyer, City Clerk