



Special City Council
Tuesday, June 25, 2024 - 2:00 PM
MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Donald Barnard called to Order the City of Johnstown Special Council Meeting for June 25, 2024 at 2:20 PM.

2. Roll Call

Present - Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Donald Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini, Jeff Barr (absent at roll call, arrived at 2:36 pm)
Absent - None

Staff present - Sean Staneart - City Manager, Dave Delande - Finance Director, Jack Liggett - Service Director, Teresa Monroe - Clerk of Council

Public present - None

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizen comments on matters not on the agenda

No comments

5. Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for the water plant

Options for water plant expansion previously discussed in Finance Committee were reviewed and discussed by full council.

- The first option is a Guaranteed Maximum Price offered by Bowen to expand the plant adding capacity of .5 million gallons per day (mgd), cost came in at \$22.8 million.
- Second option is to build a secondary 2 mgd plant, without doing any remodeling to our current facility, estimate came in at \$34.6 million. This does have a 20% contingency already built in.
- Third option is the .5 mgd plant remodel and building the 2 mgd plant, taking capacity to 3 mgd. Last April, the GMP estimate came in around \$36 million.

Sean Staneart said he thinks option two has a lot of potential, what it really comes down to is can we financially swing it, and what is council's risk factor.

Mayor Barnard asked when the city first started looking at expanding the water plant. Jack Liggett said the reason for the yearly five percent water rate increase is that previous councils knew we were starting to bump up against our capacity of 1 mgd and would need to expand. Prior to Intel, the plan was to do a 1 mgd expansion and to add the second water tower, which we have, after the Intel news, they focused on a 2 mgd expansion. Mayor Barnard said he asked that because he wanted people to know the need for expansion was not purely because of Intel.

Discussion on how to pay for it; anticipated revenues from New Day, Bulk sales, future PD

district and consideration on the future sewer plant expansion at a cost of \$50-60 million for a 1.2 to 2.4 mgd upgrade. After discussion, council members expressed the most interest in option two and would like to see some refined numbers. Discussion on what Jacobs Engineering has already provided when expansion was previously approved.

6. Other Business

1. Jack Liggett said he has provided the generator quote for the admin building. Cost to fix is \$7,000; cost to replace is \$25-30,000. Council members asked to see some competitive quotes.

2. Jack Liggett said that Bowen, who was the top graded group for CMAR on the wastewater expansion and design criteria, wants to know if the contract is going to be approved, or is the city not doing it. Mr. Liggett said that a CMAR is only of great benefit if we are going to build, it costs \$100,000 for them to come on as the CMAR. Sean Stanearth said that because we have time on the sewer at this current moment, he would say that unless we are building the sewer plant in 2025 or 2026, it is not necessary.

7. Adjourn

ACTION: Donald Barnard moved to adjourn; Tiffany Hollis seconded and all were in favor.

AYES: Jeff Barr, Ryan Green, Tiffany Hollis, Donald Barnard, Wesley Kobel, Dave Selan, Bob Orsini

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

Passed 7 - 0

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm