

A MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE BAMBERG BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023, AT 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL. MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Craig Walker, Commissioner Bo Griffin, Commissioner Buzzy Bunch and Manager Gregg Griffin. VISITORS: John Taylor and Camden Kittrell.

Chairman Walker called the meeting to order. Commissioner Griffin gave the invocation.

Commissioner Bunch made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 1, 2023, meeting to be amended at a later date if needed. Chairman Griffin made the necessary second. All approved. The Motion carried.

Commissioner Bunch made the Motion to accept the October Financial Report as information only and to be amended at a later date if needed. Commissioner Griffin made the second. All approved. The Motion carried.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Griffin said he hoped everyone had a nice Thanksgiving. Manager Griffin provided Commissioners with an interview packet for the Human Resource Generalist position interviews to be held tomorrow. Manager Griffin said the certified mail for the pretreatment program was sent to Swiss Krono. Manager Griffin said pole attachment agreements had been renegotiated for the Spectrum and Breezeline services. Manager Martin stated that the Board had took possession of a new backhoe. Manager Griffin said the Board had completed the reclosure maintenance cycle at the substation. Manager Griffin stated he had provided Commissioners with an email from SCA regarding upcoming projects in the area. Manager Griffin reminded Commissioners of the Bunch building dedication on Thursday.

Manager Griffin said he has provided a letter from our attorney to SCDHEC regarding the Rockland (now known as Rockberg, LLC) cleanup plan. Manager Griffin stated that the City has never owned property of Rockland at any time.

Manager Griffin reminded Commissioners of the annual employee Christmas Party on Saturday, December 9, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Bamberg Civic Center. Manager Griffin also informed Commissioners that a ribbon cutting ceremony sponsored by the County would be held on December 8, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. at the new law enforcement complex.

Camden Kittrell said that Bob West of RIA has been out of the office on medical leave. Mr. Kittrell said Mr. West has reviewed the bids of the contractors and will be making sure they have fulfilled all requirements within the specifications. Mr. Kittrell called the Commissioners attention to the first bid by SAK Construction which was the only bid for the New Bridge Street project. Mr. Kittrell said this contractor is reputable and came in under budget. Mr. Kittrell called the Commissioners attention to the second contract which had two bidders. Mr. Kittrell said the first bidder came in over budget. Mr. Kittrell said the second bidder was Inliner Solutions which had previously performed work on the Pine Street Project

for the Board. Mr. Kittrell said the Inliner bid came in under budget. Mr. Kittrell informed Commissioners that a Motion would be required by RIA for the acceptance of these bids. Mr. Kittrell provided Commissioners with a spreadsheet that will be provided at each month detailing the expenditures for each project as they progress.

Chairman Walker asked for Motions to approve each of the contracts for the RIA grant projects. Commissioner Griffin made the Motion to approve the bid of SAK Construction in the amount of \$1,875,075.00, for the New Bridge Street Project contingent on the approval of RIA. Commissioner Bunch made the second. All approved. The Motion carried.

Commissioner Bunch made the Motion to approve the bid of Inliner Construction in the amount of \$1,677,825.00, for the New Bridge Street Project contingent on the approval of RIA. Commissioner Griffin made the second. All approved. The Motion carried.

Mr. Kittrell said there would be a meeting for the interconnection project soon. Mr. Kittrell stated that meeting would be a time to put pen to paper and get further details on the starting of that project.

SCAT PARK UPDATE

Mr. Kittrell said the Board had a deadline of November 13, 2023, to respond the DHEC Consent Order relating to PH violations. Mr. Kittrell stated the Board had met the deadline. Mr. Kittrell said the Board has also updated a pretreatment program to cover the SCAT Park and that was submitted to DHEC on November 9, 2023. Mr. Kittrell informed Commissioners that this pretreatment program agreement must be updated every two years. Mr. Kittrell stated that every two years an industrial pretreatment permit must be issued to Swiss Krono and that package was submitted on November 14, 2023, with the permit going into effect January 1, 2024.

Chairman Walker asked for discussion of the current bereavement policy. Manager Griffin provided the Commissioners with a copy of the current policy. Chairman Walker said employee Gerald Proveaux has asked the Commissioners to look at extending the bereavement policy from 2 days to 5 days for immediately family. Commissioner Bunch said he had no problem with increasing the time from 2 to 5 days for immediate family. Commissioner Griffin made the Motion to extend bereavement time from 2 to 5 days. Commissioner Bunch made the second. All approved. The Motion carried.

Chairman Walker announced the Chamber of Commerce banquet would be held on December 1, 2023. Manager Griffin said the Board had purchased a table and there were tickets available. Chairman Walker said to open the tickets up to employees. Chairman Walker again announced the Bunch Building dedication.

John Taylor said he saw the new website and wanted to know if a rate table would be available. Manager Griffin said the intent of the website is to drive the customer to their account to view rates. Mr. Taylor asked if meeting changes could be posted on Facebook and on the website. Manager Griffin said he would make those

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

ATTEST:

Clerk

Chairman-BPW

Commissioner-BPW

Commissioner-BPW