

August 22, 2019

Special Council Meeting

The Winchester City Council held a special council meeting August 22, 2019 at City Hall to discuss the new swimming pool design. Mayor Rex McIntire called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following council members present: Ron Bell, Cathy Debold, Terry Gregory, Jeff Pittman, Brenda Robinson City Clerk; Amy Brown, City Treasurer; John Simmons, Supt. of Public Works; John P. Coonrod, and City Attorney. Bill Jacquot came in late. Also in attendance were Leland Evans, Assistant of Public Works, Jill Cox, Pool Board Chairman and Greg Hillis, Benton & Associates.

Greg Hillis, Benton & Associates went over the plans for the new pool and the filter building. They would like to get the bidding plans underway. The city was awarded a \$670,000 grant earlier in the year from USDA (Open Spaces Lands, Acquisition and Development). Hillis stated the City had received about twenty-five percent of the money already. There are minor changes but must be IDPH and ADA compliant. There is a manager area, as well as outdoor lockers with keys to put stuff in There is a family restroom which is ADA compliant, as well as a men and women's wet and dry changing areas. It will have gas water heaters. The structure will have a concrete block exterior. There will be plenty of room for the concession area which will be fenced in with the pool. As well as a window for public on the outside of the fence. There is tree in the center of the circle that needs to be removed or topped. The floor will be concrete, doors will be hollow metal doors. When the pool is closed all doors will enclose the pool. Hillis said they looked at windows but decided to go with exhaust fans in the light fixtures.

Hillis said the plumbing will be accessibly for workers who need to control the water and winterize. There is a single lever for the backwash instead of the current several steps. Everything has to be pre-qualified with the state. He will submit to IEPA and send out bids at the same time.

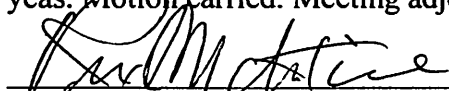
Any contractors working on the pool must be pre-qualified by the state. He has heard there are several contractors interested in the job. Public bidding and advertising must be done.

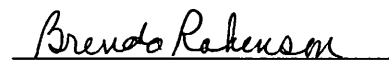
The filter building will use the current basement with the pump being 6-inches above the pool. There will be a surge pit as well.

It was suggested to put padding on the ladders because the current ladder causes rips in the liner.

Hillis told council he needed all suggested changes by Wednesday, August 28 so he could get them submitted.

MOTION: Ron Bell moved and Cathy Debold seconded to adjourn. Roll call resulted in all yeas. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.


Rex McIntire, Mayor


Brenda Robinson, City Clerk