

**REVISED AGENDA SUMMARY – SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
GEORGE FINA MUNICIPAL BUILDING - 314 EDMOND ROAD NORTHWEST
Wednesday, March 29, 2018 6:00pm**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Valerie Thomerson, Councilman John Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williamson, Councilwoman Melissa Ashford, and Councilman Kevan Blasdel.

ABSENT:

Councilman Albert Gliedmann

STAFF PRESENT:

City Clerk Jennifer Smith, Community Development Supervisor Kayla Cornett, City Attorney Mike Segler, and Fire Chief Andy Logan.

1) **CALL TO ORDER** - Mayor Valerie Thomerson called the City Council meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2) **ROLL CALL** - City Clerk Jennifer Smith called roll and a quorum was present.

3) **BUSINESS ITEMS** –

a) Discussion, consideration and possible action on Fire Department expansion bids.

Fire Chief Andy Logan addressed the Council

- every fire department contact that I have gave input on this plan
- City Manager and myself worked on this
- what do we have to have to operate in a way that we perceive happening in the future
 - 3 bays, 1200 square foot living area, 4 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, a kitchenette and a living space
- Guernsey came up with the actual drawings and worked with us
- utilize current sleeping quarters as a work out room and have a shower
 - required to allow work out time on a shift
- bedroom furniture will come from a corrections company that Deer Creek used and our living space already has furniture
- expansion will be on the east side of the building connected by a door
- alternates are tornado shelter and half wall that hang gear

Mayor Valerie Thomerson asked Council and audience to join her to see the plans.

David Omen with Guersney addressed the Council

- exterior walls will match existing buildings
- the roof will tie in with current roof
- engineering specifications are on the sheets and the architectural are in the book
- contractor will break drawings apart and given to subs
- does have the stiffness requirements by the structural code that IDC references
- went off current code requirements to create specs
- no room for value engineering
- bids didn't have large spreads so feel the bids were accurate for this building
- Pillar did not acknowledge addendum number 4 as requested

Councilman Albert Gliedmann came into the meeting at 6:18pm.

Councilman John Brown addressed the Council

- puts us in a bind to reward project since it was pushed back one week
- wants more time to see how we can pay for this project
- we have a huge sewer project that we will have to borrow to pay
- if everyone is committed to ambulance service we have to do this project
- appreciates someone actually showed up and spoke for Pillar and has done work with us before
 - our hands are tied and I don't see a way around it

Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williamson addressed the Council

- think we are getting our best bang for buck
- don't like how quickly we have to choose
- bids so close together and feel this is how much it will cost up to create this building
- we will pay with money in bank or borrow from the bank or combination of the two
- we have a few notes maturing last year
- don't see the urgency to toe tag funds this evening

City Manager Jason Orr addressed the Council

- bank spoke with Fire Chief Andy Logan and told him they would loan us the money but didn't give specifics
- do not suggest approving Pillar just because they say they will provide local labor
 - McNatt could come back and say well we would have done the same thing

Councilman Kevan Blasdel addressed the Council

- we have the revenue stream to pay off a loan for Fire Department expansion

Councilwoman Melissa Ashford addressed the Council

- while it is not a have to have right now we need it for our future plans
- Pillar can you tell us why your bid was more expensive

Councilman Albert Gliedemann addressed the Council

- we are going to have to have it no way around it
- going have room for ambulance and living quarters

Chuck Adams with Pillar Contracting addressed the Council

- live here in Piedmont
- admire City Council for talking about finances
- believe that value engineering can be done with this project after it has been awarded
- we did the Police Station and enjoyed doing it and would like to do the Fire Station
- believe we should use local contractors as much as possible and are committed to using them
- McNatt has 3 other projects going on in Piedmont
 - could possibly be absorbing part of the costs due to supervision, bonds etc.

City Attorney Mike Segler addressed the Council

- bound by law to choose the lowest and best bidder unless can give specifics on why they aren't qualified
- bid packet must list specifics for preference
 - some Cities give 5% preference for vendors with hard location in the City however Piedmont does not have this
 - advise against choosing Pillar just because he wants to choose local contractors

Councilman John Brown made a motion to use \$119,500 from reserves and borrow \$350,000. We will award the project to the lowest bidder with alternates (McNatt). Motion was seconded by Councilman Kevan Blasdel.

The Vote was:

AYE: Councilman John Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williamson and Councilman Kevan Blasdel.

NAY: Councilwoman Melissa Ashford and Councilman Albert Gliemann

4) NEW BUSINESS –

- a) “New business,” as used herein, shall mean any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting. (25 O.S. 311a(9))

None

13. ADMINISTRATION REPORT –

None

14. COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS-

None

15. ADJOURN –

Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williamson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57pm. Motion was **seconded** by Councilman Kevan Blasdel.

The Vote was:

AYE: Councilman John Brown, Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williamson, Councilman Albert Gliemann, Councilwoman Melissa Ashford, and Councilman Kevan Blasdel.

NAY: None

Mayor, Valerie Thomerson

Secretary, Valerie Cumming