

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF FOSSTON, POLK COUNTY MINNESOTA  
MARCH 14, 2016  
CONTINUED TO MARCH 18, 2016

The recessed regular meeting of the Council of the City of Fosston, Polk County Minnesota was continued in council chambers on Friday, March 18, 2016 at 8:30 a.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Offerdahl with the following members present: Veum, Anderson and Dufault. Member absent: Hoialmen. Also present was Public Works Director Dave Larson and City Engineer Lee Cariveau.

Lee Cariveau from Widseth Smith Nolting reviewed the Preliminary Engineering Report for the 2016 Street Improvements. Cariveau recommended the replacement of watermain along Second Street NW from Mark Ave. N. to Stephens Boulevard. There have been several water breaks in this area recently. He also recommended replacement of watermain on Newton Ave. N. from Highway #2 to 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NW as there have water breaks on that line as well. The total estimated cost for the project is \$353,600.

Lee recommends the relocation of a portion of the watermain that serves the J. Rettenmaier USA processing plant. Polk County is planning an addition to its solid waste handling facility and the water service line currently is located under a portion of an existing building. If the line is not moved, more of the water line will be covered by the building expansion. City staff would like to have the water line relocated prior to the County project starting. The estimated construction cost is \$70,000.

There was a discussion regarding the two alleys that will be part of the Palubicki Grocery Store project. Cariveau reported that WSN has been hired as the civil engineer on the Palubicki project and will be doing the site design. WSN and SuperValu both recommend the alleys be designed and constructed with the same street section as the rest of the Palubicki parking lot. Cariveau suggested that the City allow Palubicki to reconstruct the alleys as part of his project and the City would pay Palubicki for the work after construction has been completed. It was Cariveau's opinion that Palubicki would get a better price on the alley work than if the City bid it out as a separate project. It was the consensus of the Council to explore that option with Palubicki and also consult the city attorney regarding a contract or development agreement with Palubicki for the alley reconstruction.

The board discussed the paving of the alley along the BNSF Railroad right-of-way from Inderlee Ave. S. to Johnson Ave. S. Cariveau reviewed an asphalt option for the alley and a concrete option. The estimated cost for the asphalt option is \$171,600 and \$150,800 for the concrete option. Lee recommends the bituminous asphalt pavement with a concrete valley gutter option. Cariveau also recommends that the area from 51 feet north of the railway centerline of the main track to the buildings be paved. The business owners along the alley will have to be contacted to see if they are willing to pay for the cost of the pavement outside the alley right-of-way.

There was a discussion regarding paving the alley on Block 7 between Hwy #2 and 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NW. It was the consensus of the board to hold off on paving this alley until a future project. The board also discussed the reconstruction of 2<sup>nd</sup> St. NE from Brandt Ave into the Sports Complex. It was the consensus of the board to consider this street on a future project as well.

Member Anderson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION RECEIVING REPORT  
AND CALLING HEARING ON 2016 STREET  
AND ALLEY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT  
RESOLUTION NO. 16-15**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to resolution of the council adopted March 14, 2016, a report has been prepared by Widseth Smith Nolting with reference to the improvement of the following streets:

Alley right-of-way between Johnson Avenue South and Inderlee Avenue South  
Second Street NW between Mark Avenue North and Stephens Blvd.  
Newton Avenue between First Street West (Hwy #2) and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street NW

and to assess the benefited property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429, and this report was received by the council on March 14, 2016, and

**WHEREAS**, the report provides information regarding whether the proposed project is necessary, cost-effective, and feasible,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF FOSSTON, MINNESOTA:**

1. The council will consider the improvement of such streets in accordance with the report and the assessment abutting property for all or a portion of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429 at an estimated total cost of the improvement of \$525,000.
2. A public hearing shall be held on such proposed improvement on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016, in the council chambers of the city hall at 7:00 p.m. and the City Administrator shall give mailed and published notice of such hearing and improvement as required by law.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by member Veum and upon vote being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof:

Anderson, Veum, Dufault and Offerdahl

and the following voted against same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared passed and adopted this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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James Offerdahl, Mayor

Attest:

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Charles Lucken, City Administrator

There being no further business to come before the council, motion was made by Dufault seconded by Veum to adjourn the continued Council meeting. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

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Charles Lucken, City Administrator