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Public Notice of Request for Proposal

Hancock Public School, 620768 requests proposals for group health insurance coverage for the plan year beginning January 1, 2022. Sealed proposals will be accepted in paper form until 3:00 pm central time on Friday, October 15th, 2021 by Megan Galerneau at 371 Hancock Avenue Hancock, MN 56244. Copies of the request for proposal and exhibits may be requested from Megan Galerneau at megan.galnerneau@hancockisd168.org and will be sent electronically at no charge. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informality. The District reserves the right to select the proposal it determines to be in the best interest of the District.

REQUEST FOR BIDS

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**City of Morris
YANKEE RIDGE RD WATERMAIN EXTENSION
MORRIS, MINNESOTA**

Wisethr 2020-11482

Notice is hereby given ELECTRONIC PROPOSALS for construction of the Yankee Ridge Rd Watermain Extension project will be received by the Morris City Council until 11:30 AM local time on Tuesday, Oct. 19th, 2021 at which time all bids will be opened and read aloud via an online Teams meeting.

Major items include the following approximate quantities:

Watermain Pipe	LF	2,850
Directional Bore W/termain	LF	200
Gate Valve & Box	EA	9
Hydrant (8.5" Bury)	EA	6

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids must be on a unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form.

No bid will be considered unless it is electronically submitted through QuestCDN vBid Online Bidding (MNL) prior to 11:30 AM on the 19th day of Oct. 2021. No paper bids will be accepted. Bid security must be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

The contract Documents may be examined at the following locations: Morris City Hall and Wisethr, 610 Filmore St., Alexandria, Minnesota.

Digital Bidding Documents can be downloaded online for \$30.00 at www.wisethr.com by clicking the "Bid Documents" tab near the upper right-hand corner of the screen or at www.questcdn.com by inputting Quest project #80411823 on the website's project search page. Please contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by calling 320-762-8149 to schedule an appointment and upon non-refundable payment of \$40.00 for each set. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Checks for Bidding Documents must be made payable to "Wisethr". Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Basis of bid award will be on total project cost. The Morris City Council reserves the right to hold all bids for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time set for receiving bids and to reject any and all bids and to award the contract as the City deems in their best interest.

CITY OF MORRIS, MINNESOTA

Blaine Hill
City Manager

OFFICIAL MINUTES

**Morris Area SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Monday, August 23, 2021
5:30 pm
Morris Area High School Media Center**

Board Chair Ekren called the regular meeting of the School Board to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:
 Anthony Ekren Chair
 Jennifer Goodnough Clerk
 Matt Johnson Director
 Steve Just Director
 Renee Konz Director
 Doug Stahman Director
 Kurt Wulf Treasurer
 Members Absent: none
 Others Present: Bill Kehoe, Shane Monson, Natalie Ketterling, Tony Reimers, Mark Ekren, Jeanne Maarnum, Bill Erickson, and many others were in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence observed.
 Motion by Goodnough, second by Stahman, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried (7-0).

Chair Ekren read through the Consideration of Visitors Standards.
 Motion by Stahman, second by Johnson, to approve the Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts. Motion carried (7-0). Roll call - Ekren-aye, Goodnough-aye, Konz-aye, Just-aye, Stahman-aye, Wulf-aye, Johnson-aye.
 Introduction of new teachers.
 Motion by Konz, second by Just, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried (7-0).

Management and Administrative Reports were reviewed.
 School Board committee reports were reviewed.

Motion by Johnson, second by Goodnough, to approve the second and final reading of these policies as presented. Motion carried (7-0).

- Policy #1430 - District Hiring Policy
- Policy #1432 - Animals in the School
- Policy #1433 - Emergency Extended Leave of Absence Donation Policy For Licensed Staff Members

The Board recognized the first reading of the following policies.
 • Policy #500 - Meal Charge Policy
 • Policy #501 - School Weapons Policy
 • Policy #502 - Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions and Student's Person
 • Policy #524 - Unpaid Meal Charges

Motion by Wulf, second by Just, to approve to set the date for discussion of the proposed school levies for December 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm for after the regular School Board meetings in the Morris Area High School Media Center. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Konz, second by Johnson, to approve the Application for Dissolution of Cooperative Sponsorship for Boys Hockey. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Stahman, second by Johnson, to approve the Application for Cooperative Sponsorship for Boys Hockey. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Just, second by Goodnough, to approve the substitute teacher pay rate to \$1,204/day, as well as after substiting 30 days, the pay increases to \$1,404/day. Morris Area Schools retired teachers will receive \$1,404/day up through their 30th day of substiting. After 30 days their rate will be \$1,504/day. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Johnson, second by Stahman, to approve the 2021-2022 Resolution for Membership in the Minnesota State High School League. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Johnson, second by Stahman, to approve the Professional Services Agreement between Morris Area Schools and the Regional Fitness Center. Motion carried (7-0).

Motion by Johnson, second by Goodnough, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried (7-0).

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.
 Business and Report Items - Document Reference (filed with original minutes)
 Copies of documents presented for action and report purposes are located in the district folder prepared for permanent record.

Anthony Ekren, Chair
 Jennifer Goodnough, Clerk

OFFICIAL MINUTES

**MORRIS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Morris City Council was called to order at 5:15 p.m. this 14th day of September, 2021, by Mayor Giese in the Council Chambers of the Community Center.

ROLL CALL: Roll call was taken with the following members present: Council members Wolters, Solvie, Miller, Gulickson and Mayor Giese were present at the meeting. Also present was City Manager Hill, Finance Director Milard and Police Chief Wells.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 8/24/21 Regular Meeting Minutes: Council member Miller moved, seconded by Gulickson, to approve the 8/24/21 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mayor Giese moved, seconded by Council member Wolters, to approve the consent agenda which included the following items: Audit of City Bills, August; Transit Report, Garbaling Reports, 5/1/2021 & 7/1/2021 Library Book Minutes and 7/21/21 Tree Board Minutes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: Resolution Accepting A Bid for the 2021 6th Street Improvement Project: Hill stated the city received two bids for this project, one from Riley Brothers Construction for \$125,062.50 and another from CentraB Specialties for \$205,948. Hill noted that the city received \$11,125 from more Covid funding from the federal government that can be used for this road project. Hill asked that the council accept the bid and award a contract to Riley Brothers Construction.

Mayor Giese moved, seconded by Council member Miller, to adopt Resolution #2182-9-21, Resolution Accepting a Bid for the 2021 6th Street Improvement Project to the solar project, and the solar projects on four city buildings to include the Resolution Approving an Urban Forest Management Plan for the City of Morris. Hill explained that the Tree Board has been working on two major pieces of information, the first one being this Urban Forest Management Plan and an update to the tree ordinance.

Granger presented at the meeting. Granger reviewed the management plan and the three main goals, which include preserving the community's tree canopy, having a healthy and resilient urban forest and educating citizens about urban forestry issues.

Council member Wolters moved, seconded by Gulickson to adopt Resolution #2185-9-21, Resolution Approving an Urban Forest Management Plan for the City of Morris. Upon a roll call vote taken and all present voting in favor, motion carried. Resolution Adopting an Amended 2021 City Budget: Hill informed the council that the biggest change for the amended budget was the completion of the labor contracts with a wage increase of 2.5%. Also included is the city hall roof repair project for the solar project, and the solar projects on four city buildings to include the rebates. Hill noted one small change from what was presented is that the ballpark light bulbs at Chizek will just be changed out this year and not switched to LED.

Council member Miller moved, seconded by Wolters, to adopt Resolution #3784-9-21, Resolution Adopting an Amended 2021 City Budget. Upon a roll call vote taken and all present voting in favor, motion carried.

Resolution Authorizing Entering into an Agreement for MN DOT Transit Operation and Capital Grant Funding for 2023: Hill explained that the city has been working with MN DOT on a grant agreement for the construction of an office, additional stalls and a wash bay for the transit garage. After submitting the original design to MN DOT, they presented reports and recommendations. The city had wanted something else. Hill stated it was decided that ideally the city have a bay for each of the buses. Hill noted that MN DOT transit stated the best way to proceed was to leave the original project for the 2022 grant and apply for a a grant project for 2023 for an additional two stalls. All total the project would be \$1.1 million with a 20% local match.

Council member Miller moved, seconded by Solvie, to adopt Resolution #3785-9-21, Resolution Authorizing Entering into an Agreement for MN DOT Transit Operation and Capital Grant Funding for 2023. Upon a roll call vote taken and all present voting in favor, motion carried.

CITY MANAGERS REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: Eagles Ball Park Ditch Clearing: Hill pointed out that the council discussed the flooding happening over by College Avenue and a storm water study was authorized. Hill stated the first conclusion was that maybe the ditch needed to be cleaned out, and MN DOT got gone ahead and cleaned out their portion of the ditch along the army. Hill noted the drainage ditch turns and heads towards the city's property at the Garfield and MN DOT was not interested in clearing that portion and billing the city for it. Hill stated a quote was received from Jim Riley & Sons for \$3,000 to go in and finish cleaning out this project.

Mayor Giese moved, seconded by Council member Miller, to hire Jim Riley & Sons to do the final stretch of ditch cleaning along the Army and Eagles Ballpark in the amount of \$3,000. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS: Support for a Stevens County Grant Application for Childcare Capacity Expansion: Hill asked the council to approve this letter of support to increase childcare capacity in Stevens County. Hill noted the county is trying to create a project with the county can invest some of the money from American Rescue Plan money to have a building to set up a pod structured daycare.

Council member Solvie moved, seconded by Miller, to approve this letter of support for a Stevens County Grant Application for Childcare Capacity Expansion. Motion carried.

NO FURTHER BUSINESS: There being no further business, Mayor Giese adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.