

**City of Oconomowoc
Utility Committee Meeting Minutes
May 7, 2019**

Alderman Shaw called the meeting to order at 7:18 PM.

Members Present: Aids. Shaw, Spiegelberg and Kowieski

Staff Present: Mayor Nold, Sullivan, Freber, Pickart, Frye, Gallo, Buerger, Duffy, Kelliher and Coenen

Others Present: Aids. Rogers, Strey, Zwart and Ellis, and Atty Riffle

2. Consider/recommend Awarding Contracts for Pine Ridge Estates Wetland Scrape Project:

Freber reported Waukesha County approached the City regarding a wetland scrape project near the Pine Ridge Estates subdivision. This project will reduce run off to Rosenow Creek and in turn improve the water quality because it will keep phosphorus out of the waterways. The Oconomowoc Watershed Protection Project agrees with doing this project and will pay \$49,750 for the scrapes. Waukesha County also contacted DATCP and Fish and Wildlife's cost share programs for funding and both cost shares were obtained. This project is on City property; therefore, it was included in our 2019 budget. Waukesha County took the lead on designing and bidding the project which includes three scrapes to be placed in areas that have seen runoff. The maximum scrape will be 4' deep and seeded with native prairie. The project was bid that contractors could bid on grading only, seeding only or grading and seeding. Wondra Construction was low bidder for the scrapes and Cardno was the low bidder for the seeding, but they were above cost estimates. Waukesha County believes the reason for the higher than estimated cost was that site preparation includes three rounds of herbicides to kill off all the invasive species that currently dominate the site and that not having the trail construction done at the same time also increased costs because the trail corridor must be treated as well. Waukesha County has worked with both contractors and recommends them.

Motion by Kowieski to recommend awarding contracts for Pine Ridge Estates Wetland Scrape Project to Wondra Construction for grading and Cardno for seeding in the total amount of \$79,840; second by Spiegelberg. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion by Spiegelberg to adjourn the Utility Committee; second by Kowieski. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Diane Coenen, City Clerk