

A special meeting of the City Commission of the City of Apalachicola was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 6:00 PM in the Apalachicola Community Center, #1 Bay Avenue, Apalachicola, Florida.

Present: Mayor Van Johnson, Commissioner Jimmy Elliott, Commissioner Brenda Ash, Commissioner Mitchell Bartley, Commissioner Frank Cook, City Administrator Betty Webb, City Clerk Lee Mathes, City Attorney Pat Floyd, Chief of Police Bobby Varnes

Visitors: Nick Faurotte, Willie Robinson, Jack Husband, Steliert Thomas, Scott Brewer, Cindi Giametta, Marie Marshall, Willoughby Marshall, Joe Taylor, William Poloronis, Monica Poloronis, Aaron Boyette

Special meeting opened by Mayor Johnson followed by prayer and pledge.

RIVERFRONT PARK DOCKING

Chief Bobby Varnes stated that J. P. Barber wants to rent permanently on a monthly basis at Riverfront Park.

Mayor Johnson stated that dock is for transient boats only. Mayor Johnson asked if there were any slips available at Scipio Creek.

Chief Varnes stated he might have an open slip in about 3 weeks.

Mayor Johnson asked about the possibility of Mr. Barber docking at the Bodiford property.

Ms. Webb stated she is not sure of the dock or piling conditions.

Chief Varnes stated he will try to get Mr. Barber into Scipio Creek and will not charge any fees until he gets into Scipio Creek.

Commissioner Bartley asked Chief Varnes if the City can charge him something for docking there.

Ms. Webb suggested charging Mr. Barber the fee he would be paying at Scipio Creek.

Chief Varnes stated he will readdress matter if slip does not become available.

WILLOUGHBY MARSHALL TASK ORDER APPROVAL

Motion to approve Willoughby Marshall \$1,000 task order for Public Historic Sites Recognition Project and to approve Willoughby Marshall \$1,500 task order for Lafayette Park Renovation contingent upon Attorney Floyd review and approval – both projects funded by TDC made by Commissioner Ash, second by Commissioner Cook.

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Motion carried 5 to 0.

Voting Aye: Elliott, Ash, Bartley, Cook, Mayor Johnson

Voting Nay: None

CINDI GIAMETTA – REQUEST TO APPLY FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANT

Ms. Giametta stated the City can apply up \$50,000 and recommends addressing Chestnut Cemetery. Ms. Giametta stated grant is due December 15, 2010.

Motion to authorize Cindi Giametta to submit Historic Preservation Grant to restore Chestnut Cemetery made by Commissioner Cook, second by Commissioner Bartley.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Voting Aye: Ash, Bartley, Cook, Elliott, Mayor Johnson

Voting Nay: None

HOLY FAMILY CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES INTERVIEWS

Ms. Webb stated ranking sheets and page for note taking is available. Ms. Webb stated firms have been put in alphabetical order to determine interview order.

Peter Brown Construction, Inc. – Scott Brewer gave Commission presentation.

Commission stressed strongly the importance of keeping labor local if at all possible.

Mr. Brewer stated every opportunity will be given to have local contractor bid and work and much as possible.

Commissioner Cook stated quality of work is also important.

Scope of work and percentage fee discussed.

Commission asked questions regarding construction management process, hiring sub contractors, bid process, and hiring local labor.

Poloronis Construction – William Poloronis gave Commission presentation.

Mayor Johnson stressed the importance of hiring local labor.

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Mr. Poloronis stated he has the best experience in dealing with the local labor work force, and hiring him would ensure as much local participation as possible.

Percentage fee and scope of work discussed.

Commissioner Ash asked what the scope of a contract manager is.

Ms. Webb stated it is generally when you do a general contractor type thing. The firm works with design group to try to make the budget work within the funds you have available. The contract manager has to do the reporting, get sub contractors, bid process, etc.

Commissioner Ash asked what the construction cost of this project is.

Ms. Webb stated about \$1.2 million construction cost.

Mayor Johnson stated in the end he wanted to know how many local people were put to work on this project.

PSBI, Inc. – Aaron Boyette gave Commission presentation.

Commission asked questions regarding percentage fee, hiring local labor, and any pending litigations.

Interviews complete.

Ms. Webb stated the Commission ranks on qualifications now and then when a final design is finalized you negotiate price.

Attorney Floyd stated the second round is when you negotiate.

Ms. Webb stated she and Attorney Floyd will work with ranking firms to make process move quickly then call a special meeting if needed.

Motion to rank firms as follows: 1) Peter Brown Construction, Inc. 2) PSBI Incorporated 3) Poloronis Construction, Inc made by Commissioner Ash, second by Commissioner Cook.

Motion carried 5 to 0.

Voting Aye: Elliott, Ash, Bartley, Cook, Mayor Johnson

Voting Nay: None

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There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Van W. Johnson, Sr., Mayor

Lee H. Mathes, City Clerk