

Odebolt City Council
Special Meeting – 6:00 P.M.
January 26, 2009 - Odebolt City Hall

Mayor Pro-Tem Hemphill called the special meeting to order with the following Council in attendance: Flink, Hoefling, Bengford, Scott and Hemphill. Engineer Neal Kuehl and Supt. Bill Tysor were also in attendance.

Mayor Pro-tem welcomed Engineer Neal Kuehl to the meeting.

The main purpose of the special meeting was to re-visit the current lagoon situation and to study the City's options on updating the facility to meet the new DNR requirements.

Moved by Flink and seconded by Hoefling to approve the agenda. All ayes.

Engineer Kuehl started by summarizing the process to date. The project was started in August of 2008. The goal was getting to the CDBG Grant. By October - November no decisions had been reached. It was then decided to put the project on hold and thus prevent the possibility of making some wrong decisions.

The reason for all of this is that the DNR did new studies of all Iowa streams and adjusted the Water Quality Standards. The two things that affected the City are the ammonia nitrogen and e-coli disinfections. The current aerated lagoon has been operating effectively for twenty years.

One solution was a cover on the current aerated lagoon. The alternate is a controlled discharge lagoon. This requires the use of several additional acres of land.

Kuehl then continued with financial assistance options.

Hemphill inquired about the monthly burden on residential and business establishments. Kuehl stated that it really depended on the amounts of grants received and the length of the loan, but he will provide some estimates. The total project estimates are from 2.3 million to 2.7 million dollars.

It was decided to pursue the option of a controlled discharge lagoon. Kuehl will return tomorrow to look over the options in the daylight.

Following much discussion, it was moved by Flink and seconded by Bengford to proceed with the following applications: 1.) To get the City's name on the Intended Use Plan, 2.) Planning & Design Loan, and 3.) Wastewater Treatment Financial Assistance Program. All ayes.

The Standard Form of Agreement Between the City of Odebolt and Engineer for Professional Services will be submitted to the City Attorney for his opinion.

At 6:58 p.m. it was moved by Bengford and seconded by Hoefling to adjourn.

R.G. (Butch) Hemphill, Mayor Pro-tem

Joan Godbersen, City Clerk