

# **City of Grand Island**

Tuesday, May 02, 2006 Council Session

## Item G19

#2006-139 - Approving Alternate Bid Award for Trucking of Sewage Sludge; Wastewater Division

Staff Contact: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

City of Grand Island City Council

## Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

**Meeting:** May 2, 2006

**Subject:** Approving Alternate Bid Award for Trucking of Sewage

Sludge; Wastewater Division

**Item #'s:** G-19

**Presenter(s):** Steven P. Riehle, Public Works Director

#### **Background**

On February 1, 2006 the Wastewater Division of the Public Works Department advertised for bids for Trucking of Sewage Sludge to the Butler County Landfill. Notices were sent to four (4) potential bidders.

Two (2) bids were received and opened on February 8, 2006, Hooker Brothers Sand and Gravel, Inc. at \$9.00 per ton and Butler County Landfill at \$9.50 per ton. On February 14, 2006 the City Council passed a resolution approving the bid to the lowest bidder, Hooker Bros. Sand and Gravel, Inc. Hooker Bros. Sand & Gravel has been trucking the sludge since the bid was awarded.

#### **Discussion**

Because the WWTP is a 24/7/365 operation alternatives are needed if Hooker Bros. is unavailable due to equipment or driver availability. Alternatives include having city staff with city equipment truck the sludge or contract with the Butler County Landfill. The Butler County Landfill has agreed to honor their February 8<sup>th</sup> bid of \$9.50/ton.

Administration recommends that an alternate trucking of sewage sludge bid be approved with the Butler County Landfill. Administration would recommend against re-bidding the work because of the increasing fuel costs.

#### **Alternatives**

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve an alternate bid for the trucking of sewage sludge to Butler County Landfill, Inc. of David City, NE.

- 2. Refer the issue to a Committee.
- 3. Postpone the issue to a future date and re-advertise for bids.
- 4. Take no action on the issue.

#### **Recommendation**

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the alternate bid for trucking of sewage sludge to Butler County Landfill, Inc. in the amount of \$9.50 per ton.

### **Sample Motion**

Move to approve the alternate bid for trucking of sewage sludge with Butler County Landfill, Inc. of David City, Nebraska in the amount of \$9.50 per ton

#### RESOLUTION 2006-139

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2006, by Resolution 2006-48, the City Council of the City of Grand Island awarded the bid of Hooker Bros. Sand and Gravel, Inc. of Grand Island, Nebraska, for trucking of sewage sludge for the Wastewater Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, a portion of such bid was to deliver sewage sludge to the Butler County Landfill; and

WHEREAS, due to the volume of sewage sludge to be transported it is necessary to have additional options available for the City to transport sludge to the Butler County Landfill; and

WHEREAS, city staff may be used, when available, to haul sewage sludge to the Butler County Landfill in city vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Butler County Landfill, Inc. of David City, Nebraska, submitted a bid in February 2006 to truck sewage sludge to the Butler County Landfill at a rate of \$9.50 per ton; and

WHEREAS, Butler County Landfill, Inc. is still willing to haul sludge at that price; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the city to have various options for the trucking of sewage sludge to the Butler County Landfill.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that the City of Grand Island is authorized to use city staff, when available, to transport sewage sludge to the Butler County Landfill using city vehicles if Hooker Bros. Sand and Gravel is not available to provide such service.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Butler County Landfill, Inc. of David City, Nebraska, is hereby authorized to truck sewage sludge from the city's Wastewater Treatment Plant to the Butler County Landfill if Hooker Bros. Sand and Gravel is not available and the city does not have available staff to haul the sludge with city vehicles.

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, May 2, 2006.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor	

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk	