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MEETING MINUTES
General Government / IT Committee
Niles Village Hall | EOC/ Room 218
February 14, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

The General Government / IT Committee meeting was held in-person in the EOC/ Room 218 at Niles Village Hall on Tuesday, January 10, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. by Chairman Niedermaier. Village Manager Joe La Margo joined the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

Members Present:

Chairman Craig Niedermaier
Village Manager Joe La Margo
I.T. Director Rehman Ali
Niles Resident Jeff David

Approval of Minutes

Chair Craig Niedermaier made a motion, seconded by Niles Resident Jeff David, to approve the Meeting Minutes of the General Government / I.T. Committee Meeting held on January 10, 2023. On voice vote, the roll call was:

YEAS 4 Niedermaier, La Margo, Ali, David
NAYS 0
ABSENT 0
ABSTAIN 0

There being 4 affirmative votes, the MINUTES WERE APPROVED.

New Business

- a. Resolution Appointing NIMEC as the Village's Broker to Purchase Electricity and Delegation of Signing Authority to Village Manager to Enter into NIMEC-Selected Energy Provider**

Deputy Village Manager Kathy Thake introduced Adam Hoover of NIMEC. In 2007, the State of Illinois deregulated its electric market. Prior to that, ComEd both generated and delivered the power to residential and commercial customers. The legislation required ComEd to transfer ownership of its nuclear reactors to its parent, Exelon. Illinois then opened up its borders for other energy generators to compete with Exelon. ComEd remains a monopoly and delivers the power to commercial and residential users, regardless of who generates the power.

The Village has been using NIMEC as its broker since 2021 pursuant to an RFQ issued for broker services. NIMEC is paid by the electric supplier for originating the business. The Village does not compensate NIMEC and is not under contract with NIMEC. NIMEC has extensive expertise in the northern Illinois power market. Also, NIMEC manages a buying collaborative, aggregating the collective power of 123 municipalities, as well as 47 library/park district/water districts. The collective volume of the buying collaborative (\$20 to \$25 million/year) allows NIMEC to negotiate rates that are lower than what an individual municipality could negotiate on their own. The Village has enjoyed a good working relationship with NIMEC since 2008. This resolution pertains to the purchase of electricity for the Village operated water pumping facilities, as well as its street lighting facilities. NIMEC also is the leading consultant in Municipal Aggregation in northern Illinois. Prices within the commodity markets (including electricity) are constantly fluctuating. Therefore, NIMEC's bid prices are only good for the day they are provided. As such, the board needs to delegate signing authority to the Village Manager to accept a bid by entering into a contractual relationship with the winning power supplier

Chair Craig Niedermaier made a motion, seconded by Village Manager Joe La Margo, to recommend Approval of a Resolution Appointing NIMEC as the Village's broker to Purchase Electricity and Delegation of Signing Authority to Village Manager to Enter into NIMEC-Selected Energy Provider at the February 28, 2023 Village Board Meeting. On voice vote, the roll call was:

YEAS 4 Niedermaier, La Margo, Ali, David
NAYS 0
ABSENT 0
ABSTAIN 0

There being 4 affirmative votes, the RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED TO GO BEFORE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

b. Committee Approval of Annual Renewal Tyler EnerGov Software

Emmanuel Bustamante of the Community Development Department presented the Annual Renewal Tyler EnerGov Software. In February 2019, the Village went live with Tyler Energov. Energov is the Community Development licensing software. Along with licensing, permitting, and land management software suite, this renewal includes the online citizen portal, building permits, planning module, inspection management, and GIS integration. This renewal represents a 5% increase since our last renewal in FY23 which was \$38,178.78. Residents and visitors to Niles are using these systems in increasing number year after year. Chair Craig Niedermaier made a motion, seconded by IT Director Rehman Ali, to recommend Proceeding with the Annual Renewal and maintenance for the Tyler Energov software in the amount of \$40,097.18.. On voice vote, the roll call was:

YEAS 4 Niedermaier, La Margo, Ali, David
NAYS 0
ABSENT 0
ABSTAIN 0

There being 4 affirmative votes, the APPROVAL WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE.

c. Demonstration on See Click Fix with consultant from CivicPlus

IT Director Rehman Ali introduced Elliot Olson, Implementation Consultant with CivicPlus to explain and give tutorials on the Village's partnership with new resident services resource "See, Click, Fix." The committee explored what the user experience would be like for residents of Niles and visitors to the Village Website with the "See, Click, Fix" features. The Committee was interested in the feedback the Village could receive from our Niles residents and businesses and was interested in knowing the "Go Live" date for the Service. The Committee will be continuing the exploration of "See, Click, Fix" at the next General Government / IT Meeting.

Public Comment

Next Meeting

March 14, 2023

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Chair Craig Niedermaier, seconded by Village Manager Joe La Margo; all concurred and the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.