

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in special session Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. in Selmer City Hall to further discuss and possibly change action of November 14, 2023 whereby Change Order No. 2 requested by Graves and Graves Construction Company, Inc., the Contractor, for completion of the PATRIOT PARK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT was passed.

Mayor Sherry Inman called the meeting to order. The following Aldermen were present: John Austin, John Finlayson, J. T. Hawkins, Willie Sain. Johnny Norris was absent.

Several consultants of Cook Coggin Engineering Inc. were present to answer any questions concerning the Graves and Graves Construction requested change order.

Kyle Bethay, of Cook Coggin Engineering addressed the Board explaining that Change Order No. 2 contained a time extension of 854 calendar days and pricing adjustments based on current prices from the contractor, Graves and Graves Construction, to complete the items of work remaining on the contract. The balance of the new price is \$255,110.00. "There is currently \$121,073.45 remaining in the existing contract value resulting in a \$134,036.55 increase in the contract value." "Change order No. 2 includes proposed asphalt thickness of 2 inches due to the deterioration of the current surface since the beginning of the contract. He explained that the asphalt had further degraded due to weathering and the continued heavy truck traffic to the City Landfill.

Kyle stated that Change Order No. 3 consisted of reworking the drainage swells in the outfields of fields A, B, and D to accommodate a sanded French Drain. This work was not included in the current contract and would be an additional \$117,562.00.

Recreational Director Sybil Dancer questioned all aspects of the requests for additional funds and sited many reasons why she felt that the town should not have to pay for construction items already included in the contract, issues being no fault of the town, or having already been paid. She also expressed much concern relating to Field 4, holding water each time that it rained, and did not agree with the proposed method for fixing the water problem.

Ed Huggins questioned many of the same issues and further disagreed with additional charges to the town. He too was seemingly leery of the plan.

Board members expressed concerns, but in an effort to finish the park project and with hopes that the ball teams will be able to play next summer the following action was taken:

Motion by John Austin and seconded by John Finlayson to approve Change order No. 2 for Graves and Graves Construction to complete the Patriot Park Improvements as explained by Kyle Bethany of Cook Coggin Engineering, Inc. All four present voted yes. Motion carried.

Change Order No. 2 for Patriot Park Improvement passed.

Total net changes \$137,450.55. Balance to complete the project as bid and based on the new price is \$255,110.00.

It was further noted that Mayor Inman had signed the Amendment 1, Patriot Park Grant contract 78115 between the Town of Selmer and State of Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation extending the Grant Period of 13 months after the Effective Date.

Beginning Date May 1, 2023 and Ending date May 30, 2024.

Meeting Adjourned.