Mayor David Anderson called the special council meeting of August 8, 2014 to order at 4:35 p.m. Present for the meeting were Mayor Anderson, Council President Rick Alonzo, Council Members Ron Smith, Connie Wells, and Tom Mayo, Clerk Kris Larson, and City Administrator Stephen Boorman.

The purpose of the special council meeting was to award a logging contract for Moyie Reservoir cleanup.

Mayor Anderson said basically the question is whether we want to open the road at a higher cost or wait to see if we can get lower prices from other contractors. Stephen said he spoke with Andrakay and she would like to see us wait but Mike Walcott said the pine will start bluing in three weeks and we will lose timber value. He commented on some of the prices that he received verbally over the phone. He said he called about eight or nine contractors and most of them are busy at this time.

Ron Smith asked about bidding requirements. Stephen told him $25,000 is the cutoff for personal services.

Connie Wells asked about the not to exceed price in the proposed contract with Alan Flory Logging. Stephen said we will not pay over the amount of $24,500 and the prices in the contract are species specific. Pine is $260 per million board feet (mbf) for smaller tops and $280 mbf for larger tops. All other species except cedar is $290 mbf and cedar is $320 mbf. Mr. Flory will be responsible for hauling the logs to the mills. Rick asked what the mills are paying. Stephen said the mills are paying about $450 for fir and larch, $750 for cedar, and about $300 for pine. Rick said we should make about 75 percent more than what we are paying Flory. Connie said it depends on the species and it looks to her to be about 50 percent. Stephen agreed. Rick estimated that we would receive about $10,000-$12,000 more than we are paying for the logging.

Tom Mayo asked what Rob had to say. Stephen said he is running about $200 per thousand but on a small sale like this when moving a lot and the brush is an issue, it would probably be $250 to $300 per thousand. The group discussed waiting to get better prices but the price increase difference may not outweigh the inconvenience of the access to the beach and the pine price reduction. Rick said we may be talking about $1,000 or $2,000 difference by waiting.

Stephen said there will also be some timber cutting near the substation to make room for the line move, cutting of about a load near the Eileen Road along with some junk trees with no merchantable value along the road that will just be laid down as part of the cleanup.

Tom Mayo moved to award the logging contract to Alan Flory Logging. Rick Alonzo seconded the motion. Stephen said he would run the final contract by Andrakay. Tom asked if Andrakay’s concerns were a better deal. The Mayor said that was it and we are paying more to get a job done quickly. The motion passed – Ron Smith “yes”, Rick Alonzo “yes”, Connie Wells “yes”, Tom Mayo “yes”.

The meeting adjourned at 4:42 p.m.
David K. Anderson, Mayor

Attest:

Kris Larson, City Clerk