

Design flaw causes change to city water treatment plant

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Miller Construction and Kelly Morris of Morris Plumbing Plus the plumbing contract from St. Francis.

He said when they were putting in the big lines on the west side of the building it was discovered a building pier was on top of where the lines were to go.

“We had to move them over,” he said, “and this reimburses them for the changes that had to be made. This is the second change order and a total of \$7,009.”

He said the contractor had to add two 90 degree elbows.

“I don’t think we have a choice,” Billinger said.

City Manger Gerber said that would be up to the commission to agree.

Billinger said it is something that came up and felt it was something that ought to be paid.

Commissioner Dave Daniels said it appeared to be at a location where the contractor had to go longer and the other was shorter.

“The cost was the 90 degree elbows and 5 yards of concrete,” Mike Miller of Miller Construction said.

“I don’t think it is his fault or the contractor’s fault,” Gerber said. “It is not the city’s fault and for us to be on the hook for \$7,009 is frustrating. I understand that Don would have designed it different.”

“I agree it would have been a bit different and would have been in the bid cost,” Billinger said. “I have been in the construction business for many years and this is one of those things that happens.”

Hollar said he had to get the change order approved to pay Kelly Morris.

“I will admit I am not perfect,” Hollar said as he asked the city to approve the change order.

Billinger said it was his understanding the city would save some money on the pumps.

Commissioner Dave Daniels asked if the money comes out of the city’s pocket.

Billinger said he thought it was part of the financing.

Hollar said it was correct the cost would come out of the city side. He said the total grant will remain the same, and the loan amount is still what the total project come out to be.

Gerber said the city will get 32 percent forgiveness up to a maximum point.

“I have a comment,” said Commissioner Annette Fairbanks. “We need to be careful. There was a change order on something that we decided not to accept. Sometimes problems are out of peoples control, and I understand that things can come up.”

Hollar said he would have another change order on the pumps and one on the fence that would save about \$12,000 on the pumps and about \$3,000 on the fence. He said he hopes nothing major comes up and this was not something he had planned.

Fairbanks made the motion to approve the change order, Daniels seconded and it passed 4-0 with Commissioner Josh Dechant absent.



Dragonfly swarms hit town

A swarm of dragonflies were spotted in the backyard at 218 Center Ave., about 7 p.m. on Saturday said Brooke Chartier who took the photo of one held by her boyfriend, Levi Wassemiller. Chartier said it was quite a site with a swarm of dragonflies and she was wondering if they were migrating or where they came from. She said she got some photos and video of the swarm.

Photo by Brooke Chartier/The Goodland Star-News



City waives fees for business

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business to get something started,” Fairbanks said. “What if we did three months as \$150.”

“I don’t have a problem with the fees,” Daniels said. “I know we have talked about this, but I would like to look at the criteria we have in the policy. Maybe take two more weeks to look at it. Personally like to table for two weeks.”

Billinger asked Daniels if he was in agreement on waiving the permit fees, and just to table the utility

question.

Daniels said that was his thinking.

Harper said she would like to invite the commissioners out to see what she is doing in the old Sonic building and her plans.

Daniels said he had heard a rumor about putting up storage units and wondered if that would interfere with viewing the Van Gogh painting.

Harper said she could show him her plans for the land she owns that is to the east of the building.

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