

**RECORD OF SPECIAL MEETING
ELLSWORTH CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: MARCH 27, 2017

TIME: 5:35 PM

PLACE: ELLSWORTH CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**CITY COUNCIL PRESENT: BEATHAM, BLANCHETTE, FORTIER, HUDSON,
MOORE, AND PHILLIPS.**

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT: CROSTHWAITE

**KEY SPEAKERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER DAVID COLE AND TAMMY
MOTE.**

Call to Order.

Chairman Phillips called the special meeting of the Ellsworth City Council to order at 5:35 PM.

Unfinished Business.

Council Order #031709, Request of the City Manager to approve and execute an agreement between the City of Ellsworth and the Maine Department of Transportation to cost share the necessary drainage improvements in the State Street/Forrest Avenue vicinity. (Tabled from 3/20/2017 Council Meeting).

David Cole, City Manager provided a quick synopsis on the proposed cooperative agreement between the City of Ellsworth and MaineDOT. This agreement will cost share the expense for drainage improvements from the intersection of Forrest Avenue and Route 1A including the Leonard Lake area. The total estimated project cost is \$577,000. MaineDOT is willing to contribute up to 50% of the project cost provided the City can complete the project this construction season. The payment schedule is detailed within attachment #1 as well as the complete copy of the request and Cooperative Agreement between the City of Ellsworth and MaineDOT. City staff has been working with Hedefine Engineering on this project. During this process the owners of the Mill Mall have been contacted and have agreed to work with the City on obtaining the necessary permits and easements to crossover their property. The School Department and DEP have been contacted, both are very supportive of completing the project within this construction season. If this request is approved, the second request this evening will authorize the procurement of engineering services from Hedefine Engineering. The project would go out to bid in June with the goal of completing the project by early to mid-fall. One grammatical error was identified by Phillips in the agreement. Cole has noted the necessary change, it will be corrected prior to signing the agreement.

On a motion by Blanchette, seconded by Moore, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve Council Order #031709, authorize the City Manager to execute a cooperative agreement with MaineDOT whereby MaineDOT will reimburse the City of Ellsworth for 50 percent of allowable costs for installing drainage improvements from the intersection of Route 1A and Forrest Avenue westerly to Leonard Lake, up to a

Call to Order.

Unfinished business.

Approved - Council Order #031709, authorize the City Manager to execute a cooperative agreement with MaineDOT whereby MaineDOT will reimburse the City of Ellsworth for 50 percent of allowable costs for installing drainage improvements from the intersection of Route 1A and Forrest Avenue westerly to Leonard Lake, up to a maximum of \$288,500, if completed by December 31, 2017. City portion to be funded from future financing.

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Council Order #031710, Request of the City Manager to approve engineering services with Hedefine Engineering for the necessary drainage improvements in the State Street/Forrest Avenue vicinity. (Tabled from 3/20/2017 Council Meeting).

David Cole, City Manager provided a quick recap on the necessity for the engineering services and the urgency of entering into a contract to meet the construction deadline. Cole explained all the aspects of the contract from Hedefine Engineering & Design, Inc. contained within attachment #2. The estimated cost for the complete proposal is \$77,500, although the City will be charged at an hourly rate as the work is completed. Eero Hedefine was present at the meeting to answer questions or address concerns.

On a motion by Moore, seconded by Blanchette, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve Council Order #031710, authorize the City Manager to approve engineering services with Hedefine Engineering for the necessary drainage improvements in the Route 1A/Forrest Avenue vicinity as presented in attachment #2.

Adjournment.

On a motion by Moore, seconded by Blanchette, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve adjournment at 5:44 PM.

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**ATTEST: _____
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Approved - Council Order #031710, authorize the City Manager to approve engineering services with Hedefine Engineering for the necessary drainage improvements in the Route 1A/Forrest Avenue vicinity as presented in attachment #2.

Approved - Adjournment at 5:44 PM.