

## **Finance Committee Meeting March 14, 2012**

The **Finance Committee** met March 14, 2012, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room. Present were Chairperson Mark Ahner and Committee Members Jerry Partridge, Bill Melnik and Roxanna Brush. Also present was Mayor Chris Grenz, City Planner Dianna Broadie and Recorder Connie Watts.

### **Regulations on the Keeping of Chickens**

Committee Chairperson Ahner referenced the Miles City Zoning Commission recommendations in which the Zoning Commission recommended approval of the "chicken" ordinance. He also referenced a letter from City Attorney Huss, in which Mr. Huss recommended dividing the "chicken" ordinance into two ordinances, "the first being the exercise of the power to control nuisances and amending the provisions in the "Animal" portion of the code, and a second ordinance in the "Zoning" section adopting regulations for that land use.

If the "chicken" ordinance was to be divided, Chairperson Ahner said, because of public notice regulations, it would probably be two more months before the ordinance could be passed.

City Planner Broadie referenced the text she had prepared for zoning regulations on the chickens. She noted that those restrictions are directly related to the keeping of chickens, and should be in the animal ordinance, not the zoning ordinance.

Chairperson Ahner said he would prefer to move forward with the "chicken" ordinance as is, because it is ready to go to the council and could be adopted at the next meeting, March 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Kim Lewis**, 1116 S. Merriam, spoke to the committee on the issue of not being able to use the chicken manure on compost and gardens, saying that is one of the major benefits of raising chickens, instead of having to buy, what is basically the same material, from the store.

*\*\*Committee Member Melnik moved to recommend adopting the Zoning Committee's regulations on chickens as proposed to the Finance Committee, seconded by Committee Member Brush. On roll call vote the motion passed unanimously, 4-0. It was noted that this DOES NOT recommend splitting the ordinance.*

### **Regulations on Animal Rescue Shelters**

This ordinance has been to a Zoning public hearing but, because of membership issues, had not yet been decided upon. After much discussion it was decided not to make a recommendation on this issue, as there had not yet been a recommendation



March 6, 2012

City of Miles City  
Public Works Department  
17 South 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Miles City, MT 59301

Re: Natural Oasis Concrete Decking Design

Dear Allen:

DOWL HKM is pleased to present this proposal for engineering work for the Natural Oasis dock improvements. The attached Exhibit A describes the Scope of Engineering Services we are proposing.

A Standard Agreement for Professional Services has been prepared for this work. If the terms of this proposal are satisfactory, I can deliver that service agreement to your office for signature.

If you have questions regarding this proposal, please call me directly. I can arrange a conference call with our Structural Leader and Senior Project Manager, Matt Mettler, to discuss your questions or concerns.

As always, I appreciate this opportunity and look forward to working with the City of Miles City.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andrew T. Marum".

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**EXHIBIT A**  
**Scope of Engineering Services**  
**Natural Oasis Concrete Decking Design**  
**March 2012**

The City of Miles City has approached DOWL HKM with the desire to replace the existing wood deck structure that is part of the docks at the Natural Oasis. The preferred replacement structure is reportedly concrete slabs that would preferably be fabricated off-site, transported and erected at the Natural Oasis.

The City of Miles City has indicated this public facility does not fall under any regulations by the State of Montana and further, no other regulations will govern the design of this facility.

DOWL HKM presents the following scope of engineering services for the Natural Oasis Dock Improvements:

**1. Field Review**

DOWL HKM will complete a field review and record measurements on the existing facilities to verify the following:

- A. Determine the presence and extent of pier settlement and or leaning from their original constructed location. If as-built plans are not available, DOWL HKM will use design documents for this assessment. The City of Miles City will provide the as-built or design plans of the existing facility to DOWL HKM.
- B. Record the spacing and clear distance between each of the existing piers.
- C. Document the general appearance and apparent integrity of each pier. This task will not constitute a thorough examination or analysis of the piers but will serve as a reasonable attempt to verify no imminent weaknesses or conditions that would prohibit the continued use of the piers for supporting a new deck.

The structural integrity of the existing piers will not be analyzed as part of this scope of work as explained in item C above. DOWL HKM will not certify the loading carrying capacity of the pier walls, footings or foundation soils. Further, we will not provide a warranty or estimate of the remaining service life of the existing piers.

**2. Design**

DOWL HKM will design pre-cast concrete deck slabs based on the spacing and dimensions of the existing piers. As requested by the office of Public Works, no other material options will be considered in this scope of work.

The design of the concrete deck slabs will conform to the provisions of the 2009 edition of the International Building Code, ACI 318-08 Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and the AISC Steel Construction Manual (14<sup>th</sup> Edition).

It is understood the top of the new concrete deck shall match the current top of the existing deck elevation. Further, the City plans on maintaining the historical water surface elevation during

seasonal operations. Consideration will be given to provide as much open-air space under the new deck as practically possible. Further operational compliance will be the responsibility of the City of Miles City. Our design will not include any handrails, curbs, diving board attachment or ladder attachments.

Upon completion of the field review, DOWL HKM will commence with the structural design of the new deck slabs and prepare a 30% conceptual design and submit it for the City's review and comment. At the City's discretion, a review meeting will be held at the office of the Public Works Director to discuss the final design. Upon the City's authorization, we will proceed and complete the final design.

No construction phase services are included in this scope of work.

### **3. Deliverables**

The deliverables for this project will be limited to certified 11x17 drawings with notes, material specifications and details that will contain sufficient information for bidding and construction of the new deck slabs. Quantities of deliverables are as follows:

- 30% design submittal - A total of three (3) hard copies of the drawings.
- Final design submittal – A total of three (3) hard copies and a CD with an electronic copy (pdf) of the drawings. A certified hard copy of the structural calculations will also be included.

### **4. Fee Estimate**

We propose to complete the scope of work outlined herein for a lump sum of \$12,580.00.

**END OF EXHIBIT A**