

Tenino Sewer Update

September 2, 2008

Sewer Plant (WWTP)

July and August were busy months for our engineer, contractors, and Tenino's staff. Call for bids on the wastewater treatment plant went out on July 18th with the bid opening on August 18th. Staff received sixty (60) sets of plans and specifications to handle and disperse. Even the supply houses and UPS felt the surge!

We received nine (9) bids on the WWTP ranging from \$6.4 million to \$7.5 million with Boss Construction of Bellingham, WA as the apparent low bidder. This contract should be awarded either on September 23rd or on October 14th at a regular City Council meeting.

Right of Way Construction (ROW)

Work continues in the streets on the pressure sewer lines that will connect the grinder pumps to the new treatment facility (WWTP). We are currently 60% complete with the ROW contract (per engineers estimate) and anticipate completion of this phase of the sewer plan in early January 2009.

Service Connection

Design of the service connection is now complete and has been reviewed by all pertinent parties and their corrections are currently being incorporated by Gibbs & Olson (the design engineers).

This phase of construction has multiple tasks including installation of the grinder pump chambers, connection to pressure mains (installed during ROW construction), gravity feed pipes from existing sewer lines of buildings to pump chambers, and mounting of the control panels. After the WWTP is finished and on line, the selected contractor will install and test the grinder pumps, connect all homes, business's, schools, etc to the sewer system, and begin the process of abandonment on existing septic systems. Current schedule to call for bids will be determined at the September 9th City Council meeting with anticipated bid opening in October.

General

We are currently designing a visual aid to show progress by milestones, on all phases of the sewer project and anticipate having this available in October 2008.

We wish to thank the citizens of Tenino for their patience and understanding with the disruption of normal daily routines due to the on going construction in their streets.

Mayor Kenneth Jones and his staff.