

October 20, 2022

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Thursday, October 20, 2022, at 9:01 A.M.

Present: Mayor Dermody, Jessica Romine

Absent: Mark Kosior

Pledge of Allegiance

Annette Loeffler led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Each member received an advance copy of the minutes. Mayor Dermody asked if there were any additions or corrections.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Minutes

Ms. Romine moved to approve the minutes as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Public Comment

None

Claims Approval

Clerk-Treasurer presented Payroll from October 14, 2022, in the amount of \$467,677.81

Motion/Vote – Approval October 14, 2022 Payroll

Ms. Romine moved to approve the October 14, 2022, Payroll as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented Civil City Claims in the amount of \$895,302.81.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Civil City Claims

Ms. Romine moved to approve the Civil City Claims as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer presented Sewage Claims in the amount of \$344,330.61.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Sewage Claims

Ms. Romine moved to approve the Sewage Claims as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer presented Water Claims in the amount of \$237,812.46.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Water Claims

Ms. Romine moved to approve the Water Claims as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

New Business:

Police Officer Resignation / Approval of New Hire

Chief Brettin announced the resignation of Officer Jordan Petty; his last day will be October 27, 2022. Chief Brettin asked for acceptance of the resignation and approval to hire a replacement.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Resignation and New Hire Replacement

Ms. Romine moved to approve the resignation and new hire replacement; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Mayor Dermody thanked Officer Petty for his service and wished him luck and safety.

Jerry Jackson: Phosphorus Pay Request Number Six

Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson presented pay request number six for KDM for the phosphorus removal and disinfection project in the amount of \$372,330 which puts the project at 55 percent. Mr. Jackson recommends approval.

Motion/Vote – Approval Phosphorus Pay Request Number Six

Ms. Romine moved to approve Phosphorus Pay Request Number Six as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Nick Minich: Request to Bid

City Engineer Nick Minich presented a request to bid the refuse and yard waste collection and disposal contract. Mr. Minich stated the current contract will be up March 1, 2023, and would like this to go out to bid within the next couple weeks. Mr. Minich stated he would like to allow approximately a month for companies to respond, which will allow a new contract to be in place and everyone to be ready to go for a new contract. Ms. Romine questioned if this contract is on a one-year cycle. Mr. Minich responded by stated the contract is offered at three, five, and seven years. The current contract with RTS has been in place for almost three years.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Request to Bid

Ms. Romine made a motion to approve request for bid as presented; motion was seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Lalumiere School V. Donda Academy Agreement

Mayor Dermody stated Member Romine that will be abstaining from this vote so a special meeting will be called for the following week.

Andy Snyder: Employer Training Agreement

Chief Snyder presented an Employer Training Agreement from Workforce Development. Chief Snyder stated the department had submitted for a grant through Indiana Workforce Development for fire and EMS training. Chief Snyder stated the department was awarded up to five thousand dollars, for up to five individuals for training. Chief Snyder stated there are four people currently that would benefit from these funds and if the funds for a fifth individual are not utilized, they will be returned to the grant fund. Chief Snyder stated these funds are 100% and do not require a match and they can be used for several items including salaries during the training process. Chief Snyder requests approval from the Board to accept these funds. Ms. Romine noted the grant expires June 30, 2023 and questioned if there were intentions of reapplying for more funds. Chief Snyder responded by stating they will continue to apply as long as it is offered at the state level and there is a need for it.

Motion/Vote – Approve Employer Training Agreement

Ms. Romine moved to approve Employer Training Agreement as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business

Chief Snyder stated the City Council is currently considering an Ordinance that would put stop signs on Whispering Isle off of Monroe Street; it is currently a three-way and there is no stop signs. Chief Snyder requested the board authorize a 30-day stop sign until the City Council is able to complete their Ordinance.

Motion/Vote – Approval Temporary Stop Sign

Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Temporary Stop Sign as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Mayor Dermody stated the next regular meeting will on Wednesday November 9, 2022 at 9:00 A.M. due to Election Day on Tuesday November 8, 2022. Mayor Dermody reminded everyone City Hall will be closed for Election Day. Mayor Dermody stated to stay tuned for a possible emergency meeting, possibly Monday; it will be announced at a later time.

City Engineer Nick Minich requested to add an additional item. Mr. Minich stated he may have the opportunity, at a similar cost, to purchase an ice rink instead of renting. Mr. Minich requested the approval to bid the purchase of an ice rink.

Motion/Vote – Approval Request for Bid Ice Rink

Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Request for Bid Ice Rink as presented; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Adjourn

There being no further business, Ms. Romine moved to adjourn; motion seconded by Mayor Dermody and unanimously carried.

Approve: _____
Thomas P. Dermody, Mayor

Attest: _____
Courtney Parthun, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: November 9, 2022