

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 20, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME: Mayor Dan Eckstein called to order the meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety on September 20, 2021 at 5:00pm

ROLL CALL: Members present were Ms. Kristi Bonewit, Ms. Pam Weiseman and Mayor Dan Eckstein. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer, Dana Whatley. City Attorney, Brandon Murphy was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A verbiage change was requested by the Board of Works for New Business item C (3). Ms. Weiseman made a motion to amend item C (3). Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to amend the minutes was 3-0.

Mayor Eckstein made a motion to approve the amended minutes. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Ms. Weiseman made a motion to accept the claims totaling \$325,467.39 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) ERIC WOODMANSEE WITH AME CONSULTING – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

AGREEMENT: Mayor Eckstein stated that we are still waiting to hear the results of the Street Department's CCMG grant request. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to table this topic until the November 1st Board of Works meeting. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) AEP REBATE PROGRAM – REVIEW OF ELECTRICIAN QUOTES: Ms. Whatley explained that we are applying for a rebate program from AEP to swap out all lighting inside and outside of City Hall to LED lighting. She stated that 3 quotes were requested however only 2 companies actually quoted for this project. After some discussion, the Board requested for more detailed explanation on these two quotes due to the large discrepancy in the amounts of these quotes. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to table this topic until the November 1, 2021 meeting so that the quotes can be explained. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.

B.) HCPD – REQUEST TO HIRE A NEW OFFICER: Chief Cody Crouse informed the Board that City Council approved the addition of a 13th officer. He asked the Board of Works for permission to hire that officer. The Board requested that the position be posted internally for 5

days. They discussed scheduling a special meeting on September 28, 2021 at 5pm. Ms. Bonewit made a motion to post this position internally for the 13th officer. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

C.) J. THOMAS – SANITATION WAGE: Mr. Thomas requested that the Board of Works approve an increase in starting wage for the Sanitation Department. The current starting wage is \$17.20 and he's proposing a raise to \$18.00 for the remainder of 2021. He is also requesting that the 3 tier system be changed to a 1 tier system like all the other departments. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to approve this change. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

BOARD INPUT:

A.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN: He explained to the Board and the Department Superintendents that the utility office is currently down one employee due to illness. He asked that everyone bear with them during this time.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Ms. Weiseman made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 pm.

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**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME: Mayor Dan Eckstein welcomed everyone and called to order the special meeting of the Board of Works and Public Safety at 6:00pm.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Kristi Bonewit, Pam Weiseman and Mayor Dan Eckstein. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer, Dana Whatley. City Attorney, Brandon Murphy was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) HIRING OF POLICE OFFICER: Chief Crouse advised the Board that he had no applications submitted from the internal posting of this 13th officer position. He recommends they offer the position to the candidate J.A. He explained this candidate has passed both sections of PERF. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to offer candidate J.A. a 1st Class Patrolman's position for a minimum of 1 week. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Mayor Eckstein made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:11pm

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