

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,  
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT  
MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA  
NOVEMBER 15, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME:** Mayor Dan Eckstein welcomed everyone and called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Works and Public Safety at 5:00pm.

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

**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:** Ms. Weiseman made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. 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 \$375,162.01 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**A.) HCPD – CODY CROUSE**

- 1.) WORKMAN’S COMPENSATION CLAIM M.M.:** Chief Crouse explained that not much has changed in this employee’s situation. This employee has a doctor’s appointment on November 19, 2021. Chief Crouse stated there has been quite a bit of confusion on our worker’s compensation coverage. He spoke with IPEP and they have the Police Department and the Fire Department listed as medical coverage only. The City had signed up the Police Department for wage compensation too in 2020. Chief Crouse reached out to Angela Smith at Smith Insurance and she confirmed that the Police Department does have this coverage. Angela and a representative of IPEP have been in communication with each other. Officer M.M. has been off for 5 weeks as of this date. This officer has been paid out of major medical days so far.

- B.) SEWER FOREMAN POSITION BEGINNING 2022:** Clerk-Treasurer Whatley explained that the 2022 salary resolution states the “proposed” sewer foreman position with the proposed wage. She asked the Board of Works to make a decision about this position. After some discussion, it was decided to give Attorney Murphy direction to draft a job description. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to table this topic until the December 6, 2021 meeting. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**A.) WATER DEPARTMENT – BILL BACON - BEGIN HIRING PROCESS:** Mr. Bacon requested permission to start the hiring process. He also asked for permission to advertise within the City as well as outside to the public at the time to hopefully speed up the process. Ms. Weiseman made the motion to approve advertising both inside and outside simultaneously for a Water Department employee. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**B.) ERIC WOODMANSEE – AME CONSULTING**

- 1.) HARTFORD CITY CCMG 2021-2 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT:**  
DPW Superintendent, Jeff Thomas stated that this is the first time tonight that he's seen this agreement. He stated that he felt like this is a lot of money and he's not sure he can swing that much money for this project. He requested to see a breakdown of the job by stages. He asked the Board of Works to consider tabling this topic until the December 6, 2021 meeting. Mayor Eckstein made the motion to table this until December 6, 2021 meeting. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.
- 2.) 2022-1 CCMG – GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT:** Mr. Woodmansee explained the process involved listed in the agreement. There was a lot of discussion. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to accept & approve this agreement. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0

**C.) STREET DEPARTMENT – JEFF THOMAS – EXTENDED SICK LEAVE EMPLOYEE B.C.:** Mr. Thomas explained that this employee's child has been in the hospital. He's asking for the Board of Works to approve extended sick leave for this employee from November 8<sup>th</sup> through November 19, 2021. Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the extended sick leave. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**BOARD INPUT: NONE**

**ADJOURNMENT:** With there being no further business, Mayor Dan Eckstein made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:53pm.

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