

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
APRIL 19, 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. Clerk-Treasurer, Dana Whatley was present. Attorney Brandon Murphy was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A date mistake was noticed on the agenda. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve the amended agenda was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A.) REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 5, 2021: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 5, 2021 regular meeting as submitted. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

B.) SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FROM APRIL 14, 2021: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 14, 2021 special meeting as submitted. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Ms. Weiseman made a motion to accept the claims totaling \$369,863.44 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) **R.J.E. EXTENDED SICK LEAVE:** Per Assistant Fire Chief R. Kreischer, this employee could not undergo surgery due to the severity of the injury. This employee is currently having physical therapy. There was no new documentation provided by the employee's physician with any updates or estimated return to work dates. It was decided by the Board of Works that no action could be taken and this topic will be tabled until the May 3, 2021 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A.) **B. BACON – HIRE SUMMER HELP:** Mr. Bacon is seeking approval to hire two college age part time workers as summer help. Ms. Bonewit made the motion to approve hiring two part-time seasonal employees. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

B.) J. THOMAS – HIRE SANITATION HELP: Mr. Thomas asked for permission to start the hiring process for the vacant sanitation spot. Ms. Weiseman made the motion to approve the hiring process to begin. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

BOARD INPUT:

A.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN – He reminded all department heads to make sure that each and every employee has a copy of the employee handbook and have signed off on receiving it. Mayor Eckstein also told them to refresh everyone’s memory on the importance of adhering to the hand book policies while on the clock or on call.

B.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN – Mayor brought up the subject of sewer tap and water tap fees. There is discrepancy on when these items are charged to the customer. What if a tap already exists vs. having a new tap installed? There was much discussion. Mayor Eckstein said he would like to address the sewer ordinance and the water ordinance sometime this year to see if these ordinances need to be updated or any verbiage changed.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Mayor Eckstein made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

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