## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT MEETING MINUTES CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA JULY 5, 2022

**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. Pam Weiseman, Ms. Kristi Bonewit and Mayor Dan Eckstein. Savannah Ocasio (attending on behalf of Attorney Murphy) and City Clerk-Treasurer Dana Whatley were also present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Mayor Eckstein made a motion to amend the agenda to add new business letter "D" for a Firefighter discussion. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve to amend the agenda was 3-0.

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:** Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the minutes of June 21, 2022 as submitted. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** Ms. Weiseman made a motion to accept the claims totaling \$725,804.92 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**OLD BUSINESS: NONE** 

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

## A.) A. GEORGE – CREATION OF HIGHER PAID POSITION FOR THE PARKS

**DEPARTMENT:** Ms. George explained to the Board that the Parks Board is recommending creating a Closing Manager position with an hourly wage of \$14 per hour. Kathy Brown in the Parks Department has been doing this job for several years and currently makes \$12.48 per hour. They did ask that if approved that the salary increase be retroactive to July 1, 2022. The Board of Works didn't have any questions. There was no vote needed as the Parks Department falls under the jurisdiction of the City Council.

**B.**) **T. WILLIAMSON – EMPLOYEE LEAVE:** Mr. Williamson explained to the BOW that employee T.W. will be off for one week beginning July 6, 2022 for post-operative recuperation. Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the employee leave. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

- C.) D. WHATLEY CAPITAL ASSETS ENGAGEMENT LETTER WITH PETERSON CONSULTING: Ms. Whatley explained to the Board that she's received a new engagement contract with Peterson Consulting to do the 2022 Capital Assets Reporting. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to approve the new engagement letter. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.
- **D.**) **FIREFIGHTER DISCUSSION:** Mayor Eckstein explained that the Board of Works held interviews with 3 candidates for the open Firefighter position. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to make an offer for conditional employment to Jaden Reum. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

**BOARD INPUT:** Ms. Weiseman expressed how nice Saturday in the Park was and how great the fireworks were. She suggested that we send out thank you cards to those businesses who donated to the purchase of fireworks.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With there being no further business, Mayor Eckstein made a motion for adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 5:08pm.

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