

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
MAY 16, 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. Attorney Brandon Murphy and City Clerk-Treasurer Dana Whatley were also present.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 2, 2022: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the minutes 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 \$426,787.67 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN – EMPLOYEE J.T. LEAVE: Mayor Eckstein stated that this employee is out of surgery and all went well. We are still waiting on a doctor's note. This is a workman's compensation claim. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to approve this leave until we receive a doctor's note. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

B.) BILL BACON – SALARY INCREASE FOR JORDAN MCCAMMON FOR OBTAINING DSM LICENSE: Mr. Bacon explained that Mr. McCammon passed his DSM License exam on May 2, 2022 and is now due for the \$700 license increase. He asked if this could be retroactive to May 2, 2022. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to approve the pay increase effective May 2, 2022. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

BOARD INPUT:

A.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN – Mayor Eckstein reminded everyone that the Heritage Days opening ceremony begins at 5pm on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at Weiler Plaza. He also invited any of the City Employees that would like to participate in the parade on Saturday, May 21st to be at the Armory at 10am for the lineup and the parade will begin at 11:00am.

B.) ATTORNEY MURPHY – Attorney Murphy stated there is an executive session of the Board of Works at 5:30pm following the regular meeting of the Board of Works. It was his recommendation to call a recess of the regular Board of Works meeting and then come back after the executive session is concluded to resume the regular meeting.

Mayor Eckstein made a motion to recess the regular Board of Works Meeting. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to recess was 3-0. The meeting recessed at 5:10pm.

Ms. Bonewit recused herself from the Executive Session and the remainder of the regular Board of Works meeting. She left the meeting.

MEETING RESUMED: Mayor Eckstein made a motion to resume the regular Board of Works meeting. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to resume was 2-0. The meeting resumed at 6:41pm on May 16, 2022.

Attorney Murphy stated that the Board of Works just held an Executive Session regarding employee discipline. He said there is a report before the Board that alleges neglect of duty, violation of rules, disobedience of orders, immoral conduct, conduct injurious to public welfare and conduct unbecoming an officer. He asked the Board to make a motion on each count individually.

- 1.) **NEGLECT OF DUTY** (includes 2 counts): Mayor Eckstein made a motion in agreement of neglect of duty. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote in agreement was 2-0.
- 2.) **VIOLATION OF RULES** (includes 12 counts): Mayor Eckstein made a motion in agreement of violation of rules. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote in agreement was 2-0.
- 3.) **DISOBEDIENCE OF ORDERS** (includes 4 counts): Mayor Eckstein made a motion in agreement of disobedience of orders. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote in agreement was 2-0.
- 4.) **IMMORAL CONDUCT**: Mayor Eckstein made a motion in agreement with immoral conduct. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote in agreement was 2-0.
- 5.) **CONDUCT INJURIOUS TO PUBLIC WELFARE** (2 counts): Mayor Eckstein made a motion to DENY this accusation. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to DENY the accusation was 2-0.
- 6.) **CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER** (2 counts): Mayor Eckstein made a motion in agreement with conduct unbecoming an officer. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote in agreement was 2-0.

Attorney Murphy stated that the Board of Works will need to hold a Special Meeting for a Sanctions Hearing. He reminded them that we have to advertise for this special meeting 48 hours prior to the meeting. After some discussion, Mayor Eckstein made a motion to hold a special meeting on May 31, 2022 at 5:00pm. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to hold a special meeting was 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Mayor Eckstein made a motion for adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 6:49 pm.

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