

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
JULY 18, 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: 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: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the minutes of July 5, 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 \$578,522.21 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

A.) WWTP – EMPLOYEE T.W. MEDICAL LEAVE: A doctor’s note was presented for T.W. with a return to work date of July 19, 2022. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to approve the leave through 7/19/22. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

B.) D. WHATLEY – 2ND BILL FROM RUSS’S COMPUTER REPAIR: Ms. Whatley explained that a bill was presented to the Board of Works at the April 18, 2022 meeting. The BOW voted to pay the equipment piece of this bill but declined the installation portion due to the job was not completed.

Ms. Whatley explained that she received the remainder of that original bill for the installation again this week. She stated that she spoke with Mr. Bacon with the Water Dept. to see if Mr. Jones had been out to complete the installation. Mr. Bacon said no he had not.

Mayor Eckstein made a motion to table this topic until August meeting so that he could speak with Mr. Bacon about the work that was completed by Mr. Jones. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) T WILLIAMSON – PERMISSION TO START THE HIRING PROCESS: Mr. Williamson asked to start the hiring process to fill the vacancy he has in the WWTP. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to start the hiring process. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

- B.) C. CROUSE – OFFICER GARRETT’S PROBATION PERIOD:** Chief Crouse stated that Officer Corbin Garrett has completed his 1 year probationary period as of 7/7/22. He asked the BOW permission to promote him to 1st Class Patrolman. He asked if the pay increase could be made retroactive to 7/4/22. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to approve the promotion and to make the pay increase retroactive to 7/4/22. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.
- C.) C. CROUSE – 1 YEAR COMMITMENT FOR CLOUD STORAGE:** Chief Crouse explained that the HCPD is running out of storage space for the body cam video. He had a quote from EXC Computer Services for a 1 year contract for cloud storage. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to accept the 1 year contract for cloud storage. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

BOARD INPUT:

- A.) C. CROUSE –** Chief Crouse invited everyone to attend the swearing in ceremony for the new police officers on 8/1/22 at 9:30am.
- B.) MAYOR ECKSTEIN –** Mayor Eckstein talked about the City Employee picnic for 2023. He wants to have a cookout like they used to do with games and door prizes. He explained the purpose of the picnic is for different departments to interact with each other and get to know one another better. The department supervisors were in favor of doing this.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Mayor Eckstein made a motion for adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 5:21pm.

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