

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
OCTOBER 4, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME: Mayor Dan Eckstein called to order the meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety on October 4, 2021 at 5:00pm

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

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:

A.) REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

B.) SPECIAL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2021: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: There was discussion about claim (APV #9367) which appeared to have the wrong vendor chosen. Clerk-Treasurer Whatley stated that she would speak with the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer for clarification and report back to the Board of Works. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to accept the claims totaling \$304,357.10 with the correction to APV #9367. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) J. THOMAS – STREET DEPARTMENT

1.) CDL PROCESS: Mr. Thomas addressed the Board of Works with a discussion topic. He explained that the Federal Government is going to mandate that all municipal employees required to obtain a CDL license do so by taking formal schooling beginning February 7, 2022. He explained that the schooling will cost \$5,000 - \$7,000 per employee. Mr. Thomas stated that currently we train these employees internally and then the employee pays the fees to take the test and obtain the license. The only city expenditure is the time it takes to train them. He wants the Board of Works to think about how the City wants to address this issue.

2.) HIRING PROCESS: The Board of Works held interviews to fill a position with the Sanitation Department. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to offer employment to candidate B.S. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

B.) B. BACON - WATER DEPARTMENT – HIRING PROCESS: Mr. Chad Speidel attended this meeting in Mr. Bacon’s place. The Board of Works interviewed 3 very qualified candidates. Ms. Weiseman made a motion to offer employment to candidate C.T. Mayor Eckstein seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

C.) D. WHATLEY, CLERK-TREASURER– EXTENDED SICK LEAVE FOR EMPLOYEE K.B. IN UTILITY OFFICE: Ms. Whatley explained to the Board of Works that this employee has a doctor’s note with a return to work date of October 11, 2021. Ms. Whatley stated that this employee has a scheduled doctor appointment upcoming on October 6th so hopefully we will know something more definitive. Ms. Bonewit made a motion to approve the sick leave through October 11th. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

D.) 1ST READING OF SALARY RESOLUTION 2021-02: Attorney Murphy explained that this is a salary resolution and does not require a 2nd reading and can be accepted this evening. The Board of Works decided they would like to take more time to review this resolution. Mayor Eckstein made a motion to table this until the meeting on November 1, 2021. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to table was 3-0.

BOARD INPUT: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Ms. Bonewit made a motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:23 pm.

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