

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY,
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT
MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF HARTFORD CITY, INDIANA
NOVEMBER 21, 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: Ms. Pam Weiseman, Ms. Kristi Bonewit and Mayor Dan Eckstein were present. Attorney Brandon Murphy and Clerk-Treasurer Dana Whatley were also present.

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 OF NOVEMBER 7, 2022: Ms. Weiseman made a motion to approve the minutes of November 7, 2022 as submitted. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Ms. Bonewit made a motion to accept the claims totaling \$498,966.19 as submitted. Ms. Weiseman seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

A.) CODY CROUSE – FIRST NET: Chief Crouse explained that First Net is a communications platform designed specifically for first responders. He stated that if there was a disaster or something that would overload the cell towers this system would move all 1st responders to the top of the list so that they are able to communicate while working during those situations. He explained that this service will provide internet in all the vehicles, that will allow the computers to be directly plugged in to give them GPS and very reliable communications. Chief Crouse explained there will be a nominal monthly fee increase of \$3 per device to have this service. This will also communicate with the Blackford County and Montpelier officers. He asked the Board of Works for permission to sign the user agreement to switch from Verizon to First Net.

Ms. Weiseman made a motion to allow Chief Crouse to change from Verizon to First Net and sign the user agreement after Attorney Murphy has reviewed the agreement and given it his approval. Ms. Bonewit seconded the motion. The vote to approve was 3-0.

BOARD INPUT: Ms. Weiseman read a note from a constituent that praised all the municipal employees. He stated he felt they are second to none. He did, however, have a concern about how the city notifies the citizens when there is a disaster or a problem (i.e., boil order for water department). Mayor Eckstein asked to have this topic put on the Board of Works December agenda. Chief Crouse offered a very good solution to this request by utilizing the Nixle Public Safety Text Alert System through the county dispatch.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business, Ms. Bonewit made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:13pm

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