

BOARD OF WORKS
OCTOBER 15, 2012
1:00 P.M.

The meeting was opened for business by Mayor Randy Strasser. Carolyn Pearson and Bob Conner were present for the meeting.

Minutes from the meeting held on October 1, 2012 were presented for acceptance. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Second by Randy Strasser. Motion carried. (3-0)

Claims were presented in the amount of \$179,820.53. Bob Conner questioned the claim from The Educational Foundation for \$500.00. Mayor Strasser explained this claim had been approved by the common council previously. Carolyn Pearson was concerned with the cost of pay tags from Veolia. Leanne explained our last order was duplicated and this will last us for a longer period of time due to the use of the larger container for trash. Carolyn Pearson made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Second by Bob Conner. Motion carried. (3-0)

OLD BUSINESS:

Carolyn Pearson questioned the arrangements for the HHH Celebration. Mayor Strasser noted Marilyn would be contacting all parties with information. Mayor Strasser explained there will be a bus provided by Delphi Schools and children from the elementary school will be joining council members and city workers on the bus.

HHH Relocation: Dick VanSickle reported the water tap was done Sunday. The new lift station is to be tied in this Sunday (21st). Thieneman Construction has several projects left to complete. Gregg from VS Engineers has been in contact with Thieneman and feels the work will be done. If work is not completed per schedule we would need to look at liquidated damages.

Kyle Harper from BF&S presented a supplemental agreement for water and sewer approved by INDOT and reimbursable. The total cost will be \$67,000.00 and will cover the temporary bypass of 2A Sewer as well and temporary water work in phase 2B, water relocation in Phase C and the bidding on contract A, final relocation. Even though this is additional costs, it still saves the state money. Bob Conner made the motion to approve the supplemental agreement in the amount of \$67,000.00. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (3-0)

Aaron Lyons, Street Superintendent, appeared before the BOW with two issues. The first issue involves a property with an excessive amount of trash and junk in yard. A letter was sent to the property owner informing they are in violation of our ordinances. The property location is 316 W. Franklin. Aaron would like guidance from the BOW as he does not feel comfortable removing items from the property. Mayor Strasser would like to send another letter and begin discussions with the owner. Carolyn Pearson feels the need for legal advice. Mayor Strasser feels negotiations are in order. Mayor Strasser will contact our attorney and draft a letter. The second item is the retirement of Mr. Bud Cripe as of 12/31/2012.

Aaron would like to hire Chris Anderson as a full time employee. Chris has been with the street department on a part time basis for the past 4 summers. Bob Conner made the motion to hire Anderson full time. Second by Carolyn Pearson. Motion carried. (3-0)

Mayor Strasser discussed with Tim Stewart, a rental property owner, an issue that he feels the BOW needs to address. The water is turned on and it will be another month before the apartment will be ready to rent. Mr. Stewart would like to be reimbursed for the two month trash charge on his bill. Carolyn Pearson is not sure this should be reimbursed and would like to know what we do when customers go to Florida for the winter. The ordinance needs to be checked and see if there are any precedents in the past. Carolyn Pearson noted she appreciates owners fixing up their buildings but feels this is just part of the expense of being an owner. Mayor Strasser will research this issue and report back at the next meeting.

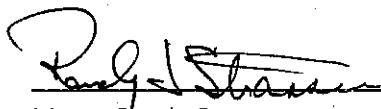
The common council passed the ordinance for a purchase policy and now the purchase policy needs to be reviewed by Bob and Carolyn and approved.

Carolyn Pearson made the motion to rescind the motion made and passed at the previous meeting of the BOW to purchase a pick up for the water department from Bartlett Ford. Second by Mayor Strasser. Motion carried. (3-0)

Mayor Randy Strasser made the motion to approve the purchase of a pickup for the water department from Dick Krieg in the amount of \$25,906. Second by Bob Conner. Motion approved. (3-0)

Dick VanSickle would like to replace the 98 GMC truck for the wastewater department. Dick has discussed a loan with First Financial and is approved for a 3 year loan. The old truck would be kept for snow plowing and fill in use. Bob Conner made the motion to obtain a quote from the bank. Second by Mayor Strasser. Motion carried. (3-0)

Floodgate: Mayor Strasser noted the appraisal is done and information should be back later this week and then an agreement can be reached with Gary Underhill. By the end of this week be should be done with this part of the process and then this proceeds to the State. This situation is holding up projects with Stellar.



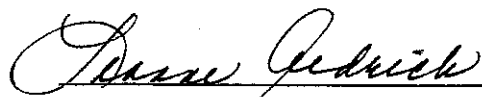
Mayor Randy Strasser



Carolyn Pearson



Bob Conner



Leanne Aldrich, Clerk Treasurer