

BOARD OF WORKS & PUBLIC SAFETY

November 16, 2020

5:30 PM

COMMUNITY CENTER

Mayor Anita Werling opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call by Mayor Werling: Anita Werling, Dick Bradshaw, and Kamron Yates were present.

Minutes from the meeting held on the 2nd of November were presented for approval. Dick Bradshaw made the motion to approve the minutes. Second by Kamron Yates. Motion carried. (3-0)

Claims totaling \$235,446.01 were presented for approval. Kamron Yates moved to approve claims. Second by Dick Bradshaw. In discussion, Dick Bradshaw asked if Pavement Solutions, with claim for \$28,420.30, had completed work for the year. Mayor Werling replied that they had completed their work and that the current bill was for micro-surfacing on Deer Creek Drive, Cottage Street, Prince William and portions of Monroe Street. Motion carried. (3-0)

New Business

Mayor Werling presented an agreement from BF&S Engineering to provide services for the \$596,233 CDBG Drinking Water grant awarded by OCRA to the City of Delphi in August 2020. The project will replace 2" galvanized water line with 6" ductile along Brewer Street, @ells Street, Charles Street, Vine Street (Wabash to HWY 421) with the tying over of existing services and the addition of fire hydrants. Additionally, services on Market Street between Howard and Columbia Streets will be tied over to the 8" water main abandoning 2" and 4" galvanized lines and an 8" cast iron line along Front Street will be replaced with 8" ductile. Dick Bradshaw moved to approve the BF&S Engineering Agreement for a maximum of \$60,000 for engineering and inspection services for the CDBG Drinking Water project. Second by Kamron Yates. Motion carried. (3-0)

Board Comments

Kamron Yates commented that he had been asked about why part of Wilson Street had been paved on both lanes while the longer run to the north had only been paved on one side. Mayor Werling indicated that Wilson Street to the north had been designated for milling and overlay and curb and sidewalk in the recently submitted Community Crossings Matching Grant application. If funds are awarded, Wilson Street would be one of several projects scheduled for 2021. Should the grant not be awarded in this round, the City plans to resubmit for the next round in early 2021.

Dick Bradshaw asked for an update on the Water Project. Mayor Werling indicated that Midwest Mole had freed the pipe that had been stuck under the creek and was preparing the bore to once again pull pipe from Wilson Street to Riley Park. The intersection at Franklin has been closed temporarily to allow pipe lengths to be fused into longer sections for pulling. The pulling of pipe from Prince William to Riley Park was completed last week. Grading at the new tank site is complete. Bowen is preparing to lay the line to connect the tank at 200 to the new tank now that the easement has been obtained with IFCU.

Dick asked why the IFCU easement had not been part of the scope for the project. Mayor Werling explained that it had been part of the scope of work and discussions had taken place with IFCU over a long period of time. IFCU's consideration for signing the easement included the City absorbing the costs for abandoning their septic system and tying into the City's sewer system. Connecting IFCU to the City sewer was not part of the water project scope and was separately approved by the BOW at our last meeting.

Public Comment

Matt McKean from Wallmann's asked that the City consider implementing a fine for those not wearing masks. He indicated that he was concerned for his customers and employees with so many people not complying with the stores posted signs. He expressed concern for younger employees working in the evenings who are reluctant to challenge those entering the store without masks as bullying has occurred. Mayor Werling indicated that employees could challenge the individual and ask them to leave if they refused to don a mask; if the individual refuses, they would be subject to trespassing on private property and the store attendant could call the police. McKean stated that the State had indicated that local jurisdictions could adopt more stringent guidelines than those of the State if local conditions warranted. Mayor Werling stated that neither the Mayor nor the Board of Public Works and Safety could impose a fine for violation of the mask mandate. Such action would require that the City Council pass an ordinance instituting a fine; such an ordinance could be proposed at the upcoming meeting of the Council on December 7, 2020.

There being no further comments, Kamron Yates made the motion to adjourn. Second by Dick Bradshaw. Motion carried. (3-0)

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 p.m.



Mayor Anita Werling



Leanne Aldrich, Attest