

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
DECEMBER 26, 2019**

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session at the Knox City Hall on Wednesday December 26, 2019 at 9:30 A.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Jeff Houston; Board Members Jim Collins, Steve Dodge, and City Attorney Autumn Ferch.

RE: AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Steve Dodge made a motion to add purchase of a new patrol car and disposal of surplus property (two old vehicles) to the agenda. Jim Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed with Three (3) Ayes and No (0) Nays.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the Board Members prior to the meeting for their review. Steve Dodge made a motion, seconded by Jim Collins to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed with three (3) Ayes and No (0) Nays.

RE: PURCHASE OF NEW POLICE PATROL CAR AND DESIGNATING TWO (2) OLD CARS AS SURPLUS PROPERTY IN ORDER TO BE SOLD

Chief of Police, Harold Smith reported that his department has a 2009 Dodge Charger patrol car with about 28,000 miles on it. He would like to sell it along with a 2014 Dodge Charger. His department has been switching to Tahoe's. He would like to purchase a new Tahoe and sell the two Dodges.

Dennis Estok made a motion, seconded by Jim Collins to purchase a new 2019 Tahoe and to declare the two Dodges as surplus property and sell them. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: 306 W LAMBERT-UPDATE

Kenny Pfof, Building and Code Compliance Director reported that he obtained an inspection warrant and entered the property at 306 Lambert. The property was in a little better shape than he had anticipated with water damage concentrated in one area, but debris located through the building. Fifth Third Bank has not returned phone calls. It was placed on tax sale and did not sell. It should go up for certificate sale next. Steve Dodge made a motion to hold a public hearing at the next Board of Public Works meeting on the additional information received. Jim Collins seconded the motion. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: SUPERINTENDENTS REPORTS

Water Superintendent, Tim Lindewald reported that he had a chlorine injector go bad allowing water to flow back into the chlorine. He had it replaced. His department is doing inventory and straightening at the plant. Joe Venckus passed his SDM test.

Motor Vehicle Highway Superintendent, Jeff Berg reported that he has received the new John Deere 5100 E Series tractor. It was used with the snow pusher and seemed to perform well. They are still picking up leaves. The department ordered and received the first load of salt. They are performing street sweeping today.

Wastewater Department, Jason Clemons gave the report. He reported that they recently received new seals and slide gates for the clarifiers. The department is installing them themselves. They are cleaning out some storm basins.

Police Chief Harold Smith said his department is running short handed. Chris Kisela has been on sick leave and Eric Vanderhoef is on light duty. Travis Schieber has taken some time off to be with his wife and new baby.

Building and Code Compliance Director, Kenny Pfof said he has been completing code inspections. Two more public hearings have been scheduled.

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RE: LUCY VALLADARES - 6 N PEARL

Autumn Ferch reported that Lucy Valladares, owner of the property at 6 N Pearl asked for an extension on obtaining a performance bond on rehabilitation of her property. Steve Dodge made a motion, seconded by Jim Collins to extend the time limit for two weeks. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting upon motion was duly adjourned.