

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 28, 2020

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session at the Knox Community Center on Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 9:30 AM CST, with the following members present: Mayor, Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer, Cyndi Kidder; Board Members Steve Dodge, and Jim Collins; City Attorney, Autumn Ferch.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES for 9/23/2020

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: APPROVAL OF PAY APPLICATION #8 - THIENEMAN, WWTP IMPROVEMENT PROJECT \$119,865.35

Steven Henschen from JPR gave an update on the project. Change Order #3 is a time extension and additional funds to be paid order. JPR will contribute most of the additional funds needed to complete project. The final completion date is now December 7, 2020.

President and CEO of JPR, Ken Jones was also present at the meeting. He spoke to the Board about their commitment to the City of Knox and that it will continue for the next couple years after completion of the project. A motion was made to approve Change Order #3 by Steve Dodge, seconded by Jim Collins, motion passed by Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays. Steve Dodge also made a motion to approve Pay App #8 \$119,865.35, seconded by Jim Collins. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: KNOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL COPORATION - MIDDLE SCHOOL SIGNAGE

Knox Middle School Principal Mr. Skelly asked the Board to approve the use of the City's right-of-way for a sign in front of the school at Door #1 on Main Street.

Mayor Estok said he sees no issues with approving the use of the right-of-way as long as a memorandum of understanding is completed. Steve Dodge made a motion approving the use of the City's right-of-way for the 6-foot sign with a with a memorandum of understanding in place. The motion was seconded by Jim Collins and passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: KNOX COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION - CULVER ROAD CROSSWALK

Brian Larson with Larson Davidson Construction Co. presented information to the Board about a raised crosswalk from parking area by elementary to Weinberg Gym entrances. The Board decided that more discussion is needed and the Street Superintendent's input is also needed before a decision can be made.

RE: SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Street Superintendent Jeff Borg informed the Board that his department has started leaf pickup as of 10/19/20. They have been prepping trucks and plows for winter operations.

Water Superintendent Tim Lindewald informed the Board that they changed up 20 water meters, installed 3 pits on Short and Virginia, winterized the parks water and flushed water hydrants.

Sewer Superintendent Jason Clemons said his department has been over seeing the WWTP Project, ran new conduit lines, cleaning out Vac Truck, cleaning out dry beds, 10 S Main emergency repairs, Myrtle Ct all tied into the City sewer, Keith passed Class 2 license and Justin started CDL testing.

Chief of Police Harold Smith updated the Board that Detective Vanderheof is still off with an injury until November 16, 2020. He had one officer out on a 14-day quarantine. Harold asked the Board if he could start taking applications for a new hire. Jim Collins made a motion to approve Chief Harold Smith to start accepting applications for a new hire. The motion was seconded by Steve Dodge. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

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

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Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cyndi Kidder, Clerk-Treasurer