

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
January 25, 2023

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular session at City Hall on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, at 9:30 A.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder; Board Member Steve Dodge and City Attorney Autumn Ferch. Jim Collins was absent.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 12/28/22

Minutes of the previous regular meeting were mailed to the Board Members prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Steve Dodge to approve the minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Dennis Estok and passed by a vote of Two (2) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: BID AWARD – 1997 FORD F182 4X4 TRUCK

One bid was received and opened. Mayor Estok made a motion awarding the bid to the one bid received. Steve Dodge seconded the motion and passed by a vote of Two (2) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: SW & EAG LLC – DRAINAGE PLAN

Bob Aloï and Dan Sellers with Territorial Engineering, LLC spoke to the Board about the design for the drainage plan. Steve Dodge made a motion to approve the drainage plan for the Wakal Building in the industrial park. The motion was seconded by Mayor Dennis Estok and passed by a vote of Two (2) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: 705 S EAST STREET – UPDATE

Building and Code Compliance Director Ken Pfof informed the Board that the owner's of 705 S East Street are making good progress, the metal roof is almost complete. Next to be completed will be the interior work.

RE: SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Water Superintendent Tim Lindewald informed the Board that his crew have fixed 2 water main breaks and painting at the water plant. Superintendent Lindewald also spoke about the need for a new well soon. He is working on the steps to start the process of getting well replacement approved at the state level.

Sewer Superintendent Jason Clemons informed the Board that they have replaced an elbow section on the Vac Truck and rebuilt the UV bands for the 2023 spring e coli season. The sewer crew have been treating with copper sulfate to keep roots from growing and jetting sewer mains. They assisted the Water Department with water main breaks and overseeing contractor work on homes and businesses to help see why lines are backing up. Superintendent Clemons asked the Board for approval to purchase a Fold-A-Way Crane for their service truck. The crane will help the crew lift and move heavy equipment and it is safer. The crane is \$6,886.00. Mayor Dennis Estok made a motion approving the purchase of the crane for \$6,886.00. The motion was seconded by Steve Dodge and passed by a vote of Two (2) ayes and No (0) nays.

Street Superintendent Jeff Borg informed the Board that he has completed the IDEM Compost Report. The department hauled away 7 dump truck loads which is 61 tons of leaves, 253 tons of wood and limbs, and an addition 211 tons of leaves by vacuum truck. The street crew has also been land clearing at the compost facility.

Police Chief Harold Smith informed the Board that Officer Brown will be out for 2 weeks due to surgery and then light duty at the office. Dawson Patrick is gone for 1 month for National Guard. Chief Smith also informed the Board he has filled out retirement paperwork, his official last day is January 24, 2024.

Park and Recreation Director Karl Swihart informed the board that at this time adult basketball, youth basketball, corn hole leagues and pickleball leagues are all going on. They have already scheduled weekend softball tournaments in Wythogan Park in May and June. Three new scoreboards and six new picnic tables are in. The little gator was equipped with a plow to do the trail. Corn hole Tournament is February 20, 2023.

Building and Code Compliance Director Ken Pfof informed the Board the total amount for clean up at 18 S Main including the \$5,000.00 civil penalty is \$24,615.95. If the civil penalty is not paid by the due date, then we move forward with a special assessment.

Dave Weinberg owner of MBS Fitness Gym had Hills Excavating videoed the lateral in the alley. The lateral is crushed and is 7ft – 8ft deep. Mr. Weinberg is looking for help with cost, and he is wondering about grants?

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

Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cyndi Kidder, Clerk-Treasurer