

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
February 22, 2023

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular session at City Hall on Wednesday, February 22, 2023, at 9:30 A.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder; Board Member Steve Dodge and Jim Collins. City Attorney Autumn Ferch was absent.

RE: AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

Two amendments were added to the agenda. 4A-105 S Bower and 4B-Bid opening for the CCMG. Steve Dodge made a motion to add these two items to the agenda. The motion was seconded by Jim Collins and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 1/25/23

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 Jim Collins and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF BUILDING, CODE ENFORCEMENT AND PLANNING – LONNIE BOLEY

Mayor Estok has hired Lonnie Boley as Ken Pfof replacement as Director of Building and Compliance Director. Being appointed as Planning Administrator is up to the Plan Commission to vote on.

RE: 105 S BOWER STREET

Kenny Pfof informed the Board that the owner of 105 S Bower Street sold the under-enforcement property. The property being under enforcement was not known by the new owners. The new owners plan on rehabbing the house. They have replaced some windows and doors so far. Mayor Dennis Estok made a motion that the new owners must affirm the rehab by resecuring permits, furnish proof of funds and must agree to complete exterior first then interior. Jim Collins seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: BID OPENING FOR THE STREET PAVING CCMG

E & B Paving	\$332,325.40
Milestone	\$391,971.16
Rieth-Riley	\$330,939.90

Steve Dodge made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Jim Collins seconded the motion and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: TOWING SERVICE AGREEMENT

Mayor Estok presented the new Towing Service Agreement to the Board. Steve Dodge made a motion to adopt the new agreement. Jim Collins seconded the motion, and it passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: SUPERINTENDENTS REPORTS

Sewer Superintendent Jason Clemons informed the Board that the 900' of 2" PVC line and fittings are here for the forced main line on Roosevelt Road. The quote to have it bored is \$7,900.00. Jim Collins made a motion to approve the \$7,900.00 for the boring. The motion was seconded by Steve Dodge and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays. The sewer crew cleaned the pump, the hydro cell, and the mechanical screen. The crew has also been jetting lines, assisting water department, clearing storm basins, and hydro excavated on Main Street. The lift station at highway 35 and Clabaugh had to be cleaned. Superintendent Clemons informed the Board he is getting quotes for a new Camera Crawler.

Water Superintendent Tim Lindewald informed the Board that they fixed a water leak on Washington Street. The water crew has been doing maintenance at the water plant, painting the bathroom and tool room. In the last month the water department has changed out 11 meters, completed several work orders and done the water audit for 2022.

Assistant Street Superintendent Jason Cornelius informed the Board the street crew assisted the water department with a repair on a main line on Washington Street. They also repaired road cut on Ellis Street and repaired the street sweeper.

Park and Recreation Director Karl Swihart informed the Board the ice rink has been taken down, 2nd round of youth basketball has started, a corn hole tournament on March 13th, the Daddy Daughter Dance is this Saturday, sign ups for park ball are underway and starting some senior citizen's programs soon. Karl is planning a Taste of Starke County this summer.

Building and Code Compliance Director Lonnie Boley has been doing training with previous director Ken Pfof.

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