

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting 8/1/2022:

The meeting began at 5:33pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Board Members Hoepfner and Heckley. Board Member Hoepfner led the meeting in the Mayor's absence. Mayor Kelsey and Chief Parker were not present. Jeremy Hardy with Commonwealth was also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent went over issues occurring at the wastewater treatment plant.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: Minutes were presented from the meeting on 7/18/2022. After inspection, Board Member Hoepfner moved to approve the minutes from 7/18/2022 as corrected, second by Board Member Heckley, all present in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer presented the board with end of June financials. This included fund balances, expenditure and revenue guidelines, outstanding checks, and bank statements. The Clerk-Treasurer asked the board if there were any additional suggestions for implementation within the 2023 calendar year budget.

Mayor's Report: Prior to this meeting, the Mayor received confirmation that an additional \$50,000 will be pledged by the Allen County Commissioners for a total of \$425,000 regarding the Underground project at the high school lift station, which will come from ARPA funds at their direction. The total bid on this project was \$530,100, but after the change order is considered, it will become \$562,080. This leaves \$137,080 for the city to cover, with \$50,000 of that amount coming from ARPA funds from the city distribution that has already been received.

Board Member's Report: Board Member Hoepfner asked for an update on the BF Goodrich situation. The Clerk-Treasurer is working with the city attorney to draft a contract for consideration of the board at a future meeting. A situation is in development regarding the business located at 22031 Main Street and the food grease that is getting into the wastewater system at this location needs to be managed more appropriately. The owner has stated that he is actively selling the business and intends to close the restaurant at the end of this week. After discussion, Board Member Hoepfner moved that the owner, either current or new, shall install a grease trap before opening again, second by Board Member Heckley, all present in favor.

Audience: Jeremy went over an agreement with Underground that considers the base bid of \$530,100, which was previously accepted by the board. After discussion, Board Member Heckley moved to proceed with the agreement as proposed, second by Board Member Hoepfner, all present in favor. Jeremy then described a change order that upgrades 3 grinder stations on the route and replaces the entire lift station for an additional \$31,980, for a new total of \$562,080. After discussion, Board Member Hoepfner moved to accept the change order as proposed, second by Board Member Heckley, all present in favor.

Board Member Hoepfner moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Board Member Heckley, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.