

**Board of Public Works and Safety
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Steve Barnett presiding. Board members Ken Austin & Tina Gross answered roll call.

Chief of Police Kirby Cochran, Fire Chief Joshua Snyder, Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner, Sewer Billing Office Manager Sherry Phillips, DPW Superintendent Sally Brown, IT Director Rick Littleton, Community Development Director Krista Linke, City Engineer Mark Richards, Street Commissioner/Fleet Manager Brett Jones, Clerk Treasurer Jayne Rhoades, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also in attendance.

Mayor Barnett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements & Public Comments

There were no announcements or public comments.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held August 7, 2023
2. Board of Works Claims.
 - Gross Payroll in the amount of \$529,918.63
 - Swim Lesson/Pool Rental Payroll in the amount of \$3,488.75
 - #080823 RDC-TIF Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$576.00
 - #081023 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$176,807.45
 - #081123 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$609,776.27
 - Pension Payroll in the amount of \$54,161.47
 - #081623 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$18,656.33
 - #082023 Sewer General Obligations in the amount of \$92,024.12
 - #081523 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$99,485.27
 - #082123 BOW General Obligations in the amount of \$83,613.87
 - #081423 RDC-TIF Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$601,851.31

Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Mayor Barnett. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Request closure of State Street during 75th Annual Fall Festival Parade on Sunday, September 10th from 2-3pm - Compass Park CEO Mike Spencer was not present so another representative from Compass Park spoke in his place. Compass Park will be using their own security officers. Mayor Barnett made a motion to approve the street closure, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Requesting approval of a projecting "blade" sign over the public sidewalk at 56 E Jefferson St., for the Franklin Elks Lodge 1818 - Franklin Elks Lodge 1818 Jeannie Barnett stated she completed the permit online and is now requesting approval to place the sign over the sidewalk. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Austin. Mayor Barnett recused himself from the vote. A voice vote was taken with Ms. Gross and Mr. Austin stating aye. The motion carried.

Street closures for Franklin College home football games - Fire Chief Joshua Snyder stated the street closures will be September 2nd, September 9th, September 30th, October 21st and November 4th. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve the street closures, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request approval to place Franklin College Banners on King Street for Homecoming - Community Development Specialist Dana Monson stated the homecoming banners will run from Paris Drive to the roundabout on King Street. These are the same banners as last year and will be put up at the end of September. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve the placement of banners, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Approval of Change Order 003 for Yandes Street Project - City Engineer Mark Richards stated this change order is related to Indiana American Water and will be reimbursed by them. The change order is for a cost increase of \$7,467.33 and a time increase of 1 day. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve Change Order 003, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request approval of Change Order 2 for the CR 200N/Simon Road Roundabout Project - City Engineer Mark Richards stated this change order is for a cost increase of \$12,446.00 to add boulders around the perimeter of the roundabout. The new contract amount is \$1,285,899.00. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all

members stating aye. The motion carried.

Acceptance and execution of the following documents related to The Bluffs at Youngs Creek, Sec. 5A: Sanitary Sewer Service Special Agreement, Earthwork & Paving Inspection Service Agreement and Storm & Sanitary Sewer Inspection Service Agreement

- Senior Planner Joanna Tennell stated this section of The Bluffs at Youngs Creek is approximately 47 lots. The city has received 90% of payment for the inspection. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve the three agreements, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Other Business

Request to File Liens on Unkempt Property - Mayor Barnett made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Department Reports / Staff Reports

Police Chief Kirby Cochran stated two officers will be promoted at tonight's City Council meeting.

Street Commissioner/Fleet Manager Brett Jones stated the cost of salt for this winter will increase 12% at a total price for this year at \$102.54 for treated salt delivery. Mr. Jones received quotes for generators for City Hall, Parks Department and Street Department. The generator topic will probably be on the agenda at the next Board of Works meeting.

Community Development Director Krista Linke stated the FDC's meeting is moved to next Wednesday August 30th at 9:00 a.m. Thursday August 24th is the Shop the Block event at the downtown shops.

Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner stated the pool will be open until Labor Day. The concert for this Friday August 25th is rescheduled for Friday September 29th due to the heat.

City Engineer Mark Richards stated the stormwater rate fees will be voted on at tonight's City Council meeting. These fees will start being collected January 1st, 2024.

Fire Chief Joshua Snyder stated the MERV was wrapped. Chief Snyder is meeting with Cripe tomorrow about the Fire Station 21 remodel.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled:8/28/23

Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer