

**Board of Public Works and Safety
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2021**

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 Lisa Jones & Bob Swinehamer answered roll call.

Chief of Police Kirby Cochran, Fire Chief Matt Culp, 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, and City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also in attendance.

Mayor Barnett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements, Presentations & Public Comments

There were no announcements, presentations or public comments.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held October 4, 2021
2. Board of Works Claims.
 - Payroll in the amount of \$402,264.69
 - Pension Payroll in the amount of \$55,096.34
 - #100821 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$109,158.47
 - #100921 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$32,465.14
 - #101021 RDC Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$12.31
 - #101621 Sewer Utilities in the amount of \$26,305.38
 - #101521 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$265,080.44
 - #101721 Sewer Utility General Obligations in the amount of \$71,038.52
 - #101821 BOW General Obligations in the amount of \$65,449.20

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

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Request Approval to Advertise for Bids for the Camelot Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project (Engineer's Estimate - \$488,000) - Brent Siebenthal, Wessler

Engineering stated he is requesting approval to advertise for bids for the Camelot Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. Mr. Siebenthal gave an overview of what this project will entail. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request Approval of Professional Services Agreement for Engineering Services for a New Screenings Building at the WWTP - Gary Ruston, Wessler

Engineering stated they are requesting approval of a Professional Services Agreement for engineering services for a new screenings building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Mr. Ruston gave an overview of this agreement. City Attorney Gray stated that this item goes along with her item regarding wastewater treatment plant improvements, & is something that needs to be done. It was stated that the ARPA funds can be used for this type of item. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve, with not to exceed \$457,000.00, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request Permission to Block Bridlewood, Blackthorn & Cedarmill Streets for Holiday Light Show - Donald Miclette

was not present. Fire Chief Matt Culp stated that the Clerk Treasurer had reached out to him, Deputy Police Chief Summers & Street Commissioner Jones regarding this item. Chief Culp stated that all three of them were in agreement that this would not be a good idea to close all of these streets due to public safety. Chief Culp stated that he relayed this information to Mr. Miclette, & told him he could come tonight to plead his case but he did not think this would be approved due to public safety issues. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to deny the request, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The request was denied.

Board of Works Budgetary Resolution No.: 21-03 Authorizing an Additional Appropriation Sewer WWTP Services 300 & Sewer WWTP Capital 400 in the amount of \$175,000.00 - DPW Superintendent Sally Brown

stated this resolution is to approve an additional appropriation for Sewer Services in the amount of \$150,000 & Sewer Capital for \$25,000 in order to pay for repairs & expenses through the end of the year. A discussion was held. Ms. Jones made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Swinehamer. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Board of Works Resolution No.: 21-08 Interlocal Agreement between City of Franklin & Franklin Township for Providing Fire Services - City Attorney Lynn Gray

stated this resolution is an interlocal agreement between the City of Franklin & Franklin Township for Providing Fire Services in the amount of \$60,000.00. A discussion was held. Ms. Jones made a

motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Swinehamer. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Board of Works Resolution No.: 21-09 Approving Agreement with Environmental Protection Agency for Franklin Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements - City Attorney Lynn Gray stated this resolution is to approve an agreement with Environmental Protection Agency for the Franklin Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements. Ms. Gray gave an overview of this agreement. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request Approval & Acceptance of Subdivision Performance Bond & Secondary Plat for BDH Commercial Subdivision - Senior Planner Joanna Tennell stated she is requesting approval & acceptance of Subdivision Performance Bond & Secondary Plat for BDH Commercial Subdivision. Ms. Tennell stated this is a four lot commercial subdivision on the corner of Simon Road & US 31 for the development of Brads Car Wash & for Hubler Ford to be rebuilt. Ms. Tennell also stated Subdivision Performance Bond #6161392 for Street Trees; Storm Sewers; Swales; Underdrains; Earthwork Erosion; Sanitary Sewers; Sidewalks; & Survey Monuments in the amount of \$296,180.82 is ready for approval. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve the secondary plat & subdivision performance bond, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Discussion Regarding DPW Vac Truck - Fleet Manager Brett Jones stated that he had a conversation with DPW Superintendent Sally Brown regarding the DPW Vac Truck. They checked in to several models & discovered their preference. Mr. Jones then had conversations with the sales company, Brown Equipment. The cost of this unit would be \$429,873.47. Mr. Jones stated he then checked into acquiring the demo unit. The demo unit which is an upgraded unit from what they had looked at would be \$439,949.48. Mr. Jones stated that if they traded in their current unit which is 20 years old they would get a \$10,000.00 trade in value, but he feels that we should try & sell it first. Mr. Jones stated in his opinion he thinks the DPW should move forward with purchasing the demo unit. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve the purchase of the demo unit, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve to sell the old unit through GovDeals.com, seconded by Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

2022 Budgets WWTP, Sewer Billing, Sewer Maintenance, MS4, & Trash & Recycling – Mayor Barnett presented the 2022 budgets for WWTP, Sewer Billing, Sewer Maintenance, MS4, & Trash & Recycling to the Board. A discussion was held. Mr. Swinehamer made a motion to approve all budgets listed, seconded by Ms. Jones. 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 Ms. Jones. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Department Reports / Staff Reports

DPW Superintendent Brown stated she went with Gary Ruston, Wessler Engineering, & they visited Lebanon & Westfields screening facilities.

Police Chief Cochran stated he had spoken to residents on Paris Drive regarding speeding & what the data box results were. The Chief also stated they had put up a data box on Canary Creek.

Fire Chief Culp & Mayor Barnett stated they have a 2000 a Fire Truck in which the motor is out, this will be coming back in the future to figure out what needs to be done about it. This is just for informational purposes only at this time.

Parks Superintendent Orner stated Halloween Town would be Saturday from 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Chief of Staff Payne stated that the downstairs restrooms will have regular locks installed soon.

City Engineer Richards stated the Graham Street storm sewer project was completed. He stated that State Street paving should start on Wednesday. Mr. Richards stated the interstate lights were complete; St. Rd. 44 bridge is scheduled to be complete December 6th; & Centerline roundabout is opening this week. Mr. Richards also gave a lengthy update concerning different items at the Amphitheatre.

City Attorney Gray stated the Police Department promotion list which was approved by the Police Merit Commission was given to the Board members.

IT Director Littleton stated he is asking for permission to discard surplus electronic equipment. A discussion was held. Ms. Jones made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Swinehamer. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 5:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled:10/26/2021

Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:

Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer