

**Board of Public Works and Safety
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 3, 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, 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 March 20, 2023
2. Board of Works Claims.
 - Gross Payroll in the amount of \$462,822.53
 - Separate Payroll in the amount of \$300.00
 - #032423 RDC-TIF Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$77,099.89
 - #032323 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$10,105.55
 - #032223 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$331,612.43
 - #032523 Sewer General Obligations in the amount of \$61,979.77
 - #032623 BOW General Obligations in the amount of \$95,895.58
 - #032723 Sewer Bond Contract in the amount of \$2,383.05
 - #032823 RDC-TIF Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$33,157.50
 - #032923 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$169,038.60
 - #033023 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$16,752.75

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

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Revision of SOP 1.23 Police Vehicle Operations – Chief Kirby Cochran explained the police department's Durangos do not all have light bars on the top of the vehicles but do have lights on the sides. The previous SOP protocol did not allow these unmarked vehicles or vehicles without a light bar to be involved in a pursuit. City Attorney Gray explained this is not routine procedure but unmarked vehicles should be allowed to assist with a pursuit if necessary. A discussion was held. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve the revision of SOP 1.23 Police Vehicle Operations, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request the following Performance Bonds to be released for I-65 South Logistics Center: Performance Bond #NIN2061 for Earthwork, Erosion Control and Sanitary Sewers - \$151,748.40 and Performance Bond #NIN2062 for Streets - \$82,269.00. Request the following Maintenance Bonds to be accepted for I-65 South Logistics Center: Maintenance Bond #NIN2061 for Earthwork, Erosion Control and Sanitary Sewers - \$31,614.25 and Maintenance Bond #NIN2062 for Streets - \$17,139.38. - Mr. Austin made a motion to release Performance Bond #NIN2061 and Performance Bond #NIN2062, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried. Mayor Barnett made a motion to approve the acceptance of Maintenance Bond #NIN2061 and Maintenance Bond #NIN2062, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request the following Performance Bond to be released for Nicole Drive (Astral at Franklin): Performance Bond #DVHNSU0807122 for Street trees, landscaping & street lights, storm sewers, swales & underdrains, streets, sidewalks, survey monuments & street signs - \$140,581.38. Request the following Maintenance Bond to be accepted for Nicole Drive (Astral at Franklin): Maintenance Bond #DVHNSU0832101 for Street trees, landscaping & street lights, storm sewers, swales & underdrains, streets, sidewalks, street signs & survey monuments - \$29,287.79. - City Engineer Mark Richards requested to release the performance bond for Nicole Drive and accept the maintenance bond for Nicole Drive. Mr. Austin made a motion to release Performance Bond #DVHNSU0807122 and accept Maintenance Bond #DVHNSU0832101, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Approval and acceptance of City dedication of Public Right-of-way for South Street between US 31 and Nineveh Road - City Engineer Mark Richards explained this is a part of the U.S. 31 project that involves moving a gas line. Currently, there is no public right-of-way, so it is important to make this dedication. Mr. Richards explained that Centerpoint requested an easement but he denied that request. Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the dedication of the

public right-of-way with the mayor to sign as grantor but with all members signing the dedication, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Acceptance of bids and award of contract to firm submitting lowest responsive and responsible bid for the 2023 MIP - Alley Reconstruction Project - City Engineer Mark Richards explained that bids were opened on Friday March 31st. Three bids were received: Milestone Contractors, LP at an amount of \$645,200.00, Dave O'Mara Contractor, Inc. at an amount of \$474,822.00 and Robertson Paving at an amount of \$337,080.00. Robertson Paving had the lowest and most responsive bid. Mayor Barnett made a motion to reward Robertson Paving with the project, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Other Business

There was no other business presented.

Department Reports / Staff Reports

Street Commissioner/Fleet Manager Brett Jones stated that the county has requested West Court Street to be closed all day on Friday April 7th because they need to use a crane. Mayor Barnett made a motion to approve the closing of West Court Street from Thursday night April 6th to Friday April 7th, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried. Mr. Jones recognized the street department crew for all of their hard work after the storm this weekend. Mr. Jones explained there is a dump site being created at the fairgrounds that will be available by noon on Tuesday April 4th.

Community Development Director Krista Linke stated the Artcraft's new showcases were lost in the storm and Rob Shilts asked for everyone to keep an eye out for those. The Redevelopment Commissions' house on Hurricane had no storm damage. Ms. Linke stated there were 2 commercial and 2 residential applications received with site visits being on Tuesday.

Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner stated the Easter Egg hunt is 10 a.m. on Saturday April 8th. The pool will open in 6 weeks and the first Amphitheater event is in 7 weeks.

City Engineer Mark Richards explained the agreement with Envoy for Fire Station 21 has been resubmitted with suggestions from himself, Joanna Tennell and City Attorney Gray.

Fire Chief Joshua Snyder stated he has promotions coming up with a new Lieutenant being sworn in.

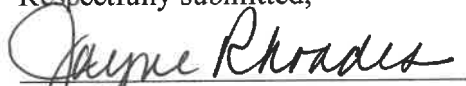
Chief of Staff Tara Payne stated there is a joint City Council and School Board Meeting on April 24th at Franklin Community Middle School at 6:00 p.m. This is an additional meeting. The normal City Council and Board of Works meetings will still take place.

Mr. Austin and Ms. Gross thanked everyone for their hard work.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 5:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled:4/6/2023


Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:


Jayne Rhoades, Clerk-Treasurer