

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session at the Knox City Hall on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 9:30 A.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Jeff Houston; Board Members Steve Dodge and Jim Collins; and City Attorney Leslie Baker.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 8/22/18

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the Board Members prior to the meeting for their review. Steve Dodge made a motion, seconded by Jim Collins to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed by Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: RECOMMENDATION FOR PROBATIONARY OFFICER – POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief, Harold Smith recommended that the Board hire Patrick McKee as a new probationary officer. Jim Collins made a motion to approve the recommendation seconded by Steve Dodge. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: WATER DEPARTMENT – REHAB OF WELL #1

Acting Water Superintendent, Tim Vogelzang told the Board that Peerless tested the #1 Well Pump and put it back on line. The well was then evaluated. The pump was rebuilt and the well cleaned. The reports came back that everything was good. A copy of the “Before and After” will be sent. The total cost will be between \$10,500.00 and \$15,000.00. Steve Dodge made a motion seconded by Jim Collins to approve the claim. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: CHANGE ORDER #1 – FIRE TRUCK

Kenny Pfof, Fire Chief, presented Change Order #1 for the 2018 Pumper Fire Truck. He said he went to Toyne Manufacturing in June and noted several changes he would like. He wanted some items omitted and others added. He noted that there would be no change in the total cost of the truck. Jim Collins made a motion, seconded by Steve Dodge to approve the change order as presented. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays. A copy of the change order is on file in the Clerk-Treasurer’s office.

RE: 1 & 3 N MAIN STREET – UPDATE

Local property owner Pete Medlev was present to give an update on the rehab of his building located at 1 & 3 N Main. He reported that he made structural improvements to the basement and South wall. Within a few days the façade will be done. He circulated pictures depicting the work he has done. He assessed the roof and is going to have patching done soon. He asked that the City do an inspection on the fire escape that he believes is now safe. He will also paint the South side of the building.

RE: 6 N PEARL – UPDAATE

Local property owner Lucy Valdares was present to give an update on the rehab of her house at 6 N Pearl. It was noted that the deadline to complete her work was today. She said she had to fire the contractor and much of the work must be torn out and redone including the windows and doors. She said she is still committed to seeing the job through. She asked for an extension to complete her work. She would like to get the outside done before winter. The roof needs flashing and the building needs more support for the second story.

Steve Dodge made a motion to extend the permit on a monthly basis and on the understanding that she come back and that the Building Inspector keep an eye on it. Jim seconded the motion. Motion passed with Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: SUPERINTENDANTS REPORT

Building and Code Compliance Director, Kenny Pfof said that after the last Board of Works meeting Melvin Zieters registered all his properties. 310 Ostrander has been issued an eviction notice. A court date is set for October 1st. A copy of the order was sent to Kenny as the Ordinance Compliance Director he is still trying to get some properties mowed. He is also requesting that property owners remove old tires.

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Police Chief, Harold Smith said the air conditioner is not working in the 2016 K-9 car. Cambe Chevy ordered the parts and it should be covered under the warranty. New signs have been erected designating "Residential Parking Only" across from the middle school.

Street Department Superintendent, Jeff Borg said he has gotten the F550 truck upfitted. He is preparing for the leaf pick up season. Fire grant applications have been submitted for the Community Crossings Grant. Liquiforce will be in next week to do some road work.

Kelly Clemons, WWTP Superintendent reported that the sewer extension project at J.W. Hicks will be completed next week. The lift station at Claybaugh took an electrical surge and will need to be repaired as soon as possible.

Acting Water Superintendent, Tim Vogelzang reported that Liquid Engineering will go into the water tanks next week to begin inspections.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time the meeting upon motion was duly adjourned.

Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: _____
Jeffery J. Houston, Clerk-Treasurer