

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
REGULAR MEETING
October 26, 2022

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular session at City Hall on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 9:30 A.M. CST with the following members present: Mayor Dennis Estok; Clerk-Treasurer Cyndi Kidder; Board Members Steve Dodge, Jim Collins, and City Attorney Autumn Ferch. There is no amendment to the agenda.

RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES REGULAR MEETING 9/28/22

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

RE: BID AWARD – KNOX INDUSTRIAL PARK IV SEWER EXTENSION PROJECT

Two bids were received on time. Mayor Estok opened the bids, Hill Excavating \$62,300.00 without horizontal jack and bore of sewer pipe. Haskins Underground, Inc. \$83,300.00 with horizontal jack and bore of sewer pipe. Also, the alternate item is \$7,800.00 for Hill Excavating and \$12,500.00 for Haskins Underground.

Jim Collins made a motion to take the bids under advisement. The motion was seconded by Steve Dodge and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: PUBLIC HEARING – 705 S EAST STREET

Mayor Estok opened the Public Hearing. Building and Code Compliance Director Ken Pfof informed the Board that 705 S East Street is in very bad shape, vacant and infested with rodents/animals. Mr. Wilson, the owner wants to put a new roof on and two porches, then work on the interior. September 27, 2022, he received the order to repair from Ken Pfof. Mayor Estok suggested that Mr. Wilson be put on a timeline for repairs to be completed by and see how the next 30 days goes. Steve Dodge made a motion to table the timeline until next meeting on November 23. The motion was seconded by Jim Collins and passed by a vote of Three (3) ayes and No (0) nays.

RE: SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Street Superintendent Jeff Borg informed the Board that his crew has been doing leaves daily and brush on Thursdays. IDEM came down to inspect the compost area and per their report the site is maintained and clean.

Sewer Superintendent Jason Clemons informed the Board his crew has cleaned both East and West drying beds and applied the sludge to the reed bed. We are cleaning out leaves from everywhere to keep from clogging and unplugged pumps at East Culver Road and Washington Street lift stations. We assisted the Water Department on a water main break and fixed the drain at the Community Center. We have changed out burnt UV bulbs and cleared roots in sewer main at John Street and Roosevelt Road.

Water Superintendent was out of town for the conference. Mayor Estok presented his report to the Board.

Sergeant Chad Dulin informed the Board that Officer Dawson Patrick has been accepted by PERF. He will attend the Police Academy in January 2023.

Park and Recreation Director Karl Swihart informed the Board the adult softball league ends tonight. The portable ice rink will be put up tomorrow and the new indoor programs will be starting soon.

RE: 18 S MAIN STREET – UPDATE

Fire Chief Ken Pfof informed the Board that JPR's structural engineers inspected the burnt building yesterday and we should have a report in 10 days or so. Chief Pfof also explained to the Board that the Fire Marshall will come down during the demolition to hopefully determine the cause of the fire.

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

Dennis Estok, Mayor

Attest: _____
Cyndi Kidder, Clerk-Treasurer