

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting 7/6/2021:

The meeting began at 5:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey (via phone), Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Board Members Hoepfner (via phone) and Heckley. Chief Parker was not present. Kevin and Zach on behalf of Fox Contractors and Ben Adams with Commonwealth were also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: The water filters have been bypassed for the last several weeks due to necessary repairs. Once repairs began, it was determined that more work than expected was necessary to complete. The floor of the tank needed to be sandblasted and repainted. After being repainted, 8 days are necessary for the paint to dry prior to being used again. Testing should be able to occur in another week, give or take. The Superintendent has been alerted to water pressure variance occurring at certain locations. He is currently trying to locate and remedy the cause of this issue. The Superintendent will continue conversations with his contact from BF Goodrich regarding the installation of a meter. The Superintendent presented a quote for a new wagon trailer to be used for leaf pickup in the fall. After discussion, Mayor Kelsey moved to purchase the wagon from Bridge Trailer in the amount of \$9,500, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: Minutes were presented from the meeting on 6/21/2021. After inspection, Mayor Kelsey moved to approve the minutes from 6/21/2021 as presented, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer explained the results of the IT project survey that was presented at previous meetings. The top three of the six items will be incorporated into the first draft of the 2022 budget.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor wanted to confirm a method for the disposal of City vehicles. He recommended that City staff coordinate together to take both police squads and the old utility truck to auction. After discussion, it was determined to proceed as proposed, with a target date to be determined in the near future.

Board Member's Report: Nothing to report.

Audience: Kevin and Zach went over details regarding updates on the clean closure project. An extension for Fox to fulfill contractual work on this project was requested to the Board. After discussion, it was determined that this would be reasonable based on the inevitable waiting period needed to confirm certain tests concerning soil composition. Ben went over details regarding the high school lift station proposals. The more involved and beneficial proposal would require the City to receive funds from the Indiana Finance Authority through the SWIF grant program. If approved, this would result in a \$2 match for each \$1 the City would spend on the project. The City would need to submit this request by July 15th with results determined on August 6th. After discussion, Board Member Heckley moved for Commonwealth to proceed with this application submission on behalf of the City for the second proposal of lift station improvements, second by Mayor Kelsey, all in favor.

Mayor Kelsey moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Board Member Hoepfner, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 6:24pm.