

Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting 9/18/2023:

The meeting began at 5:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls, Chief Parker as well as Board Members Hoeppner and Heckley.

Chief's Report: The Chief explained that the PD Tahoe is still being outfitted and should be ready for deployment soon. He also explained that recently, the department has been interacting with the community more than normal.

Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent gave an update on the sewer lift station project. The Mayor then presented a breakdown of the first payment submitted by Commonwealth to be paid to Underground for this project. The Mayor is going to reach out to the Allen County Commissioners to determine next steps on how this will be paid out as they had committed \$425,000 to this project. The Superintendent also explained that there was a water main break that was identified and repaired since last meeting. The work at Burnwood Place is expected to be completed in the next few weeks and the same contractor will also repair the damage to the area where the water main was just repaired this last week.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: Minutes were presented from the meeting on 9/5/2023. After inspection, Mayor Kelsey moved to approve the minutes from 9/5/2023 as presented, second by Board Member Hoeppner, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer has prepared a potential final draft of the 2024 budget. He is asking for Board Members to suggest ideas for implementation at this time. No suggestions were noted with the final utility spending guidelines for the 2024 calendar year to be approved at the October 2nd meeting. The Clerk-Treasurer explained to the Board that the invitation to bid for trash service has been submitted and several companies have reached out since then to confirm interest.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor gave an update on the Stellar Sidewalk project. He also presented a change order submitted by A & Z Engineering regarding the engineering services to be provided for the Stellar Sidewalk project. This change order would change the amount from \$90,680 to \$104,375 due to additional costs incurred by A & Z Engineering to oversee this work. This increase will still be eligible for the 80% match from INDOT. After discussion, Mayor Kelsey moved to accept the change order as described, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor. Next week the Mayor will be meeting with the Allen County Commissioners to discuss the possibility of partnership towards a new water tower for the City of Woodburn. The public hearing for the Maumee Meadows Addition has been moved to October 12th.

Board Member's Report: Nothing to report.

Audience: Nothing to report.

Mayor Kelsey moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:09pm.