

## Board of Works and Public Safety Meeting 10/16/2023:

The meeting began at 5:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Board Members Hoeppner and Heckley. Chief Parker was not present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: One of the recently installed grinder stations has failed and has been repaired since the last meeting. The Superintendent did reach out to the Woodlan Schools about an update on the project taking place there. He then gave an update on the sewer lift station project to the board. John has ordered several replacement batteries for the generators located at various locations throughout the city. They should arrive later this week. Siren batteries were replaced at the shop. New tires from Aspy's will be put on the truck that Darrell typically drives. The Superintendent also gave an update on work to be done for the CCMG project. He also requested additional water meters to be ordered ahead of time, so as not to cause shortages in the future. After discussion, Mayor Kelsey moved to allow Superintendent Walls to purchase meters at his discretion as long as his order is similar to his most previous order, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: Minutes were presented from the meeting on 10/2/2023. After inspection, Board Member Hoeppner moved to approve the minutes from 10/2/2023 as presented, second by Mayor Kelsey, all in favor. The 2024 expenditure guidelines for utility spending were presented in final form for approval at this meeting. After discussion, Mayor Kelsey moved to approve the 2024 utility guidelines for both the water and sewer utilities as presented, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor mentioned that Milan Township is not paying their annual hydrant rental fee. Discussion occurred regarding this topic. The Mayor updated the Board about the Woodlan Lift Station Improvements Project. The payments will not be able to be paid until the payment strategy is confirmed with the Allen County Commissioners. The notice of award that was presented by the City attorney was considered for submission to Waste Management after the attorney had reviewed their bid submission and found that it was complete. The City is still waiting for a formal pay application from Commonwealth to pay the retainage for the old project. The Mayor moved to award bid alternate #1 and bid alternate #2 from Waste Management for a three year term, second by Board Member Hoeppner, all in favor. The Mayor mentioned that the Police Chief had asked for raises for his department but was not present. The Mayor would like to reconsider the amounts to consider and also consider additional personnel in this consideration.

Board Member's Report: Board Member Hoeppner asked about a non-functional hydrant in the Havenwood Addition. Superintendent Walls is still waiting for the availability of Dozerwerks to dig the ground up at this location.

Audience: Nothing to report.

Mayor Kelsey moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Board Member Heckley, all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm.