

CITY OF BEECH GROVE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
Monday, May 1, 2023

Mayor Buckley called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

ROLL CALL

Board of Public Works and Safety Members Sandy Seward, Dave Harrison and Mayor Buckley attended. Also, in attendance were Clerk Treasurer James Coffman and City Attorney Craig Wiley.

MEETING MINUTES

Clerk Treasurer James Coffman presented the minutes from April 17, 2023, meeting to the Board for approval. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Corporate Claims were presented for \$1,191,533.76. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the Corporate Claims, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Street Closure Request, Holy Name Church- Holy Name Church Oktoberfest committee requests permission to close 16th Avenue again, as in year's past, for their annual fundraiser. This year, dates of their event will be September 29 and September 30th. Assistance with trash totes, recycle totes, barricades, sewer line connection, and banner placement from the City is requested. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the request, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Parking Lot Lighting Approval, 102 Main Street- Bids for new lighting at the parking lot across from the new Police Station were requested. Gemco submitted a bid for \$37,715.00, JE Brown Electric submitted a bid for \$39,985.00, and Design and Build Electrical submitted a bid for \$26,220.00. The first two bids suggested five new lights, but the third only provided for four new lights. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the third bid from Design and Build Electrical not to exceed #35,000.00, in case there is a need to add a fifth light, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Alley Closure, 101 N. 6th Avenue- Contractor Indy Pro has requested assistance from the City to close access to the alley

north of Albany to demo and construct a new garage at the residence. A variance was just approved from the BG BZA for construction. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve closure of the alley Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 5:00 as needed, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request to Hire, BG EMS- EMS Director Cheshire requests permission to hire part time Paramedics Robris Stamp and Sandra Wells and part time EMT Dustin Hughbanks. These part time employees will help fill the gaps from Franciscan Health and are budgeted. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the part time hires, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

BG EMS, Petition the Board to Organize- Current EMS employees inform the BOW that they would like permission to present a contract to the Board. EMS employees used to be part of the Local Union, but lost membership when the Fire Department agreement took place. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the EMS petition to organize, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Change Order #8, Thompson Trail- Change Order #8 completes the project and shows the total project cost comes in at \$16,607.22 under budget. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve Change Order #8, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

McFarland Creek Environmental Agreement, K&S Engineers- K&S Engineers submitted a proposal to perform geotechnical exploration regarding the McFarland Creek improvement project. Wessler Engineers reached out on behalf of the city for this professional service. Cost of the work will be \$6,730.00. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the agreement, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS

Member Sandy Seward reminded everyone to get out and vote on Primary Election Day!

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Buckley asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sandy Seward made such motion and Dave Harrison seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26 pm.

Dennis B. Buckley, Mayor

James W. Coffman, Clerk Treasurer