

CITY OF BEECH GROVE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
Monday, August 7, 2023

Mayor Buckley called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

ROLL CALL

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

MEETING MINUTES

Clerk Treasurer James Coffman presented the minutes from the July 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 \$2,038,518.03. This includes a payment to I.F.D. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the Corporate Claims, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bid Award, CCMG, 1 Paving- Clerk Treasurer James Coffman read a letter stating that Robertson Paving had the low bid for the Community Crossing Grant 2003 Roadway Rehabilitation. A second bid was received from Grady Brothers, and it was higher. Sandy Seward made a motion to accept the Bid from Robertson Paving in the amount of \$1,139,584.00 for the Community Crossing Matching Grant. Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was then approved by unanimous voice vote.

Notice of Award and Letter to Proceed- Mayor Buckley asked to present a letter to Robertson Paving stating that they received the bid. A letter to proceed was presented and was signed for Robertson Paving to proceed after January 1, 2024. A motion was made to send out the award letter and a motion to proceed by Sandy Seward, and seconded by Dave Harrison, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Hornet Greenway Tree Inventory Agreement- Mayor Buckley presented a proposal from Metric Environmental to prepare a tree inventory for the Hornet Greenway Trail in the amount of \$6,575.00. Sandy Seward made a motion to accept the proposal for the tree inventory, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was then approved by unanimous voice vote.

Notice to Award and to Proceed- A Notice to award and proceed was discussed and presented by Brent Siebenthal to Miller Pipeline for the 2023 Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation. Sandy Seward made a motion to allow Miller Pipeline to

proceed with the 25th Street Sanitary Sewer Project, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was then approved by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Resignation BGPD – A letter of resignation was presented to the Board for Catherine Cox. She is leaving on good terms. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve Catherine’s resignation, and hire as needed. Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Step Increase – BGPD – Chief Maurice presented a letter to the Board to increase the pay for Brandon Wilcox to 2nd year patrolman. This increase is in the 2023 Budget. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the step increase for Officer Wilcox, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request for Block Party- A request to host a block party on August 26, 2023 for the residents between 12th and 13th Street in the alley 100 block south was presented to the Board. Sandy Seward made a motion to allow the block party, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request to Hire – DPW- DPW Director Brad Meriwether requested to hire Bryce Ringham as a full-time worker. He will be classified as a probationary Laborer. This position is available due to the resignation of Quentin Brown. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve this hire, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request to Hire Part Time, EMT, BG-EMS- Beech Grove EMS Director Cheshire requests permission to hire part time EMT Tim Gallagher II. His hourly rate of \$20.00 per hour. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the part time hire, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Step Increase BG EMS – EMS Director Cheshire requested the approval of a pay increase for Chase Salmon to 3rd year Paramedic Pay. Sandy Seward made a motion to approve the pay increase, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Ambulance Financing- Medic 57 was involved in an accident recently. EMS Chief Cheshire discussed the process for replacement of the ambulance. He said the ambulance would be covered by the other driver’s insurance and repairs would be completed by Fire Service Inc. In St. Joseph, Indiana. The Board was asked to start a lease process to get financing for the new ambulance. Sandy Seward made the motion to allow the Clerk to enter into a lease agreement

for the new ambulance, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request to Surplus Old Equipment – A letter was read into the record to surplus old equipment from the police department, old security cameras, and other miscellaneous equipment that are of no value to the city. Sandy Seward made a motion to surplus the old equipment, Dave Harrison seconded the motion, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Road Closure – A request was made to host a fund-raising event on Saturday, August 12th from 10 am to 7:00 pm by the Emerald Society and 5th Avenue to benefit kids in need during Christmas time by supplying presents. The request would be granted pending the notification of 2 businesses prior to the event. Sandy Seward made the motion to approve the request pending the notification of two businesses. Dave Harrison seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

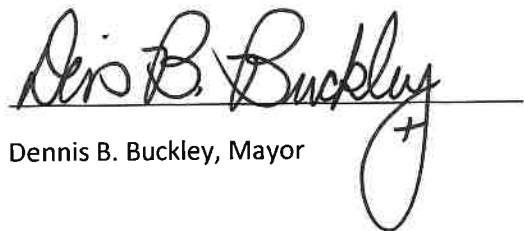
Change Order # 2 and Certificate of Substantial Completion 2023 Sanitary Sewer Project – Brent Siebenthal from Wessler Engineers presented a change order from Culy Contracting. Sandy Seward made a motion to accept change order # 2 which is a final change order which was a decrease in the payment due by \$-9,747.05. Dave Harrison seconded the motion which was approved by unanimous voice vote. A Certificate of Substantial Completion was also presented to the Board for payment of the contract.

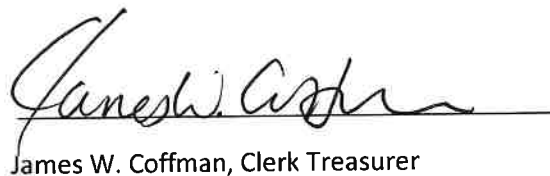
COMMENTS

None

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 6:38 pm.


Dennis B. Buckley, Mayor


James W. Coffman, Clerk Treasurer