

**CITY OF BEECH GROVE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 19th, 2018**

Mayor Buckley called the meeting to order at 6:06pm.

ROLL CALL

Board of Works Members, Sandy Seward, Dave Harrison, and Mayor Buckley were present. Also, in attendance, were Clerk-Treasurer Dan McMillan, and City Attorney Craig Wiley.

MEETING MINUTES

Clerk Treasurer Dan McMillan presented minutes from the November 5th, 2018 meeting to the Board for approval Sandy Seward moved to approve the minutes as presented. Dave Harrison seconded the motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Corporate Claims in the amount of **\$736,596.82** were presented to the Board for approval. Sandy Seward moved to approve the claims. Dave Harrison seconded the motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

2019 Renewal – Hartford, Dental and Vision:

Christian Duncan presented information on the Hartford Retiree Insurance; which will realize a small increase of 1.64%. very few carriers are available for this type of insurance. Sandy Seward moved to approve the Hartford for 2019. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Christian sent the dental coverage to six different carriers and three or four immediately responded that they would not be interested in quoting because the rates the city currently have are decent rates. The Nationwide Dental will be a one-year renewal; which will realize an approximate 10% increase; which will amount to .32 increase per pay for employee only and 1.22 for a family per pay. Sandy Seward moved to approve Nationwide for 2019. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Life and vision Insurances will remain the same. Sandy Seward moved to keep vision and life for 2019. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote

Pay Increase – BGF

Sandy Seward moved to approve the increase for Jason Lamping to 2nd year firefighter -\$2,320.38 per pay period. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Stale Checks – Clerk-Treasurer McMillan

Clerk -Treasurer McMillan presented documentation of checks to the Board to be purged from the city bank recs dating from 2013 through 2016.

Corporate - Sandy Seward moved to approve the purging of these checks from the corporate bank rec in the amount of \$28,457.74. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Utility - Sandy Seward moved to approve the purging of these checks from the utility account bank rec in the amount of \$2,360.35 Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Hiring of New Police Officer

At the November 5th meeting it was approved to hire a new police officer subject to there being funds available. Clerk Treasurer, Dan McMillan stated that funds are not available in the 2019 budget to fund an additional officer. Mayor Buckley stated the Police Chief and Assistant Chief said the funds are there in the 2019 budget. Clerk Treasurer McMillan stated once again that funds are not available for a new hire due to the \$1,500.00 meal allowance that was added to each police officers’ base pay, but was not budgeted for, because the Clerk-Treasurer was unaware that this had been negotiated in the contract. He also reminded Mayor Buckley and the Board that the citizens of Beech Grove did not hire Chief Swartz to handle finances they elected a Clerk - Treasurer to do so, and by overspending it is against state statute. He asked that the hiring be rescinded. Mayor Buckley refused and said it needs to go before the Council. Sandy Seward stated that Mayor Buckley is the Mayor and she would have to agree with his decision. Dave Harrison stated the Council voted for the budget. Clerk Treasurer McMillan prepared the budget not the police chief and there is not money in the budget for the new hire. He asked for it to be put on the agenda for the next Council meeting.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Sandy Seward moved to adjourn. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:29pm. The next meeting will be Monday December 3rd, 2018 at 6:00 pm. at City Hall Council Chambers.

Dennis Buckley, Mayor

Dan McMillan, Clerk Treasurer
