

**BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2020
5:00 PM**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present
Walter Crowder – Present
Nicole Penrod – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

MINUTES Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve an overview of the February 25, 2020 meeting minutes as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, Nicole Penrod and Walt Crowder voted aye, Mayor Daniel abstained.

CHRIS LILLY – FARMERS MARKET CLOSING REQUEST Chris Lilly shared the Columbia City Farmer’s Market was voted #2 in the Fort Wayne newspaper for northeast Indiana.

Mr. Lilly was present to request street closures for this year’s Farmer’s Market and to answer any questions. He advised the request was the same as last year, including the spots on the corner of Chauncey and Van Buren in the event they were able to get food trucks.

Mayor Daniel noted the chiller/HVAC replacement work the County had planned in May. Mr. Lilly advised he was aware and had been in contact with the County regarding the work.

Walt Crowder questioned, in regards to the food trucks, if there was a limit. Mr. Lilly advised he did not have a limit but suggested no more than 3. Mayor Daniel felt if they make the boundary line the walkway to the north entrance of the court house that would give enough space.

Mayor Daniel noted a concern that Chief Leatherman had questioning whether dogs were to be allowed. He advised there has been a lot of discussion by City Council on our animal ordinance and are encouraging event organizers to help with that. Chief Leatherman explained the ordinance says animals are not allowed but if an event organizer wants to allow animals at their event then the Board of Works has to grant permission. Mr. Lilly questioned if this was a safety or sanitary issue. Chief Leatherman advised it was both. Mr. Lilly advised they have a lot of dogs there on Saturday’s. He questioned if this was a new ordinance or just had not been enforced. Chief Leatherman advised it was not new and has been painful to try and enforce. Mr. Lilly advised he had a Board meeting after this meeting and questioned if they could leave that part open-ended and he could return to the Board of Works. Mayor Daniel advised they could do it that way or the Board of Works could potentially grant permission now. Mr. Lilly felt they would lean towards allowing animals as they have historically always had dogs there. Nicole Penrod questioned if they have checked with their insurance on coverage; sometimes it does not cover dog bites. Mr. Lilly advised they had not and felt that was a very good point. Mayor Daniel suggested leaving it with enforcing the current ordinance but if they want to allow animals then would need to get the City something in writing. Mr. Lilly advised either way he would let Rosie know.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Whitley County Farmer’s Market for May 9 -October 24 on the Saturday’s as presented.

Mayor Daniel confirmed they would not be there during Old Settlers. Mr. Lilly advised that was correct. Rosie Coyle advised she would be getting him a list of other street closures so they are aware of other potential conflicts.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT – 231 W BAY BRIDGE COURT Neko and Sasha Shumpert were present to request permission to encroach into the utility right of way for the installation of a privacy fence.

Chip Hill advised there was a sewer line that goes underneath the back area of the property. He shared a concern that at some point we may need to gain access there. Mayor Daniel noted if we do have to do work there, we would notify in advance but it would be at the homeowners cost to remove and replace the fence.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve the encroachment agreement for 231 W. Bay Bridge Court, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

LOCATE UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY 220 W. VAN BUREN STREET Chip Hill advised he did not see any issues with it.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the request to locate utility improvements within City right-of-way at 220 W. Van Buren Street as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAYMENT APPLICATION #6 – R.E. CROSBY, INC Mike Cook advised he reviewed the application and recommended approving pay application #6.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve Contractor's Application for Payment #19119-06 in the amount of \$391,123.01, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS AND PAYROLL Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay the bills totaling \$943,585.39 plus all paytypes except overtime for the \$222,976.65 and overtime of \$8,030.84, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

WATER DEPARTMENT ROOF REPLACEMENT Troy Gawthrop reviewed the water plant roof replacement project with the Board. He advised they sought 3 different bids but only received 2 bids. He reported the lowest bid came in at \$94,400 from Fort Wayne Roofing and recommended awarding the bid to them.

Walt Crowder questioned where the funding would come from. Rosie Coyle advised it would come from the water improvement fund.

Mayor Daniel questioned the guarantee on the roof. Troy Gawthrop advised it was 30 years.

Motion was made by Walt Crowder to go with the recommendation of Fort Wayne Roofing for the total price of \$94,400.00 as a complete package, turnkey, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion.

Mayor Daniel confirmed they were rejecting Bid #2 for the pump house. Mike Shoda advised that was correct.

Walt Crowder amended the motion to include rejecting of Bid #2, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Having no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle