

BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2021
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 December 29, 2020 meeting minutes as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PERMISSION TO BLOCK OFF PARKING SPACES 100 BLOCK OF NORTH LINE ST.
Mayor Daniel explained this was for parking near the County Government Center for immunizations. He advised Commissioner Schrupf contacted him about having all of the parking spaces blocked off on the east side of the 100 Block of North Line Street. He shared the request was for 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm on December 30.

Walt Crowder questioned if it was for drive-through or for people to park and go in. Mayor Daniel advised people would park and go in. He shared he informed Commissioner Schrupf that they needed to work with the Police Chief to get some cones there and maybe some signage.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the street closing request as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

UNIFORM CONFLICT OF INTEREST Motion was made by Walt Crowder to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Dan Weigold, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Mayor Daniel, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, Nicole Penrod and Walt Crowder voted aye, Mayor Daniel abstained.

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Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Theodore Varga, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for Nicole Penrod, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, Mayor Daniel and Walt Crowder voted aye, Nicole Penrod abstained.

APPLICATION TO LOCATE IN UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY – BSM GROUP – 616 OPPORTUNITY DRIVE Mayor Daniel advised this was for utility improvements for Indiana Fiber Network. Walt Crowder questioned if the permit fee had been paid. It was noted the fee had been paid. Mayor Daniel shared this would be for the senior housing assisted living area.

Motion was made by Walt Crowder to approve the Application to Locate in Utility Right of Way for BSM Group, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PLAT APPROVAL – DEER RIVER Mayor Daniel explained this was for the addition that is somewhat part of Deer Chase. He advised it was off of Westchester Drive near DePoy Drive.

Chip Hill did not have any comments or concerns.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve Deer River Estates plat, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

VECTOR TRUCK QUOTES Mike Shoda reported they were looking for 3 quotes but only received 2; Vactor and Sewer Equipment Company, which use to be Brown Equipment. He advised they reviewed the quotes and determined there was too much computer equipment in the truck quoted by Vactor. He noted Vactor did not want to take a trade in but would help sell our truck. He explained Brown Equipment would take trade-in and would give \$20,000 for our truck. He advised the quote that really stuck out to them was the Brown Equipment truck. He noted they were located in Fort Wayne and actually have 3 employees that live in Whitley County. He shared they would deliver parts for free and would pick up the truck if repairs were needed at no charge as well.

Mike Shoda shared he understood \$411,000.00 was a lot of money but with the lease/purchase program we could get 1.5% interest.

Mayor Daniel noted something that was impactful to him was if we had to shut water off, it appears IDEM was going to be moving toward a ‘boil water advisory’ as a mandatory so if there was a way to keep the water flowing that would allow us to not have to go through that process. Mike Shoda explained with this new truck they could pump water off just as fast as they would be sucking it in so would not have to shut down and keep us from having to do a ‘boil water advisory’.

Mayor Daniel noted he saw the multiple choices of financing and what it looks like. He felt it was more about what makes the most sense for the financial security of the water department. Mike Shoda advised we could pay it off early but felt storm water should pay something. Mayor Daniel questioned how long this truck would last us. Mike Shoda advised they were hoping it would be a 25-30 year truck. He noted the current truck was over 25 years old.

Shawn Lickey mentioned the Electric Department would be using the truck as well and were willing to do whatever it takes to help out.

Mike Shoda noted this truck was made for hydrovacating.

Walt Crowder questioned what the warranty was on the truck. Mike Shoda explained the chassis was 3 years, the pumps were 2 years, the water tanks were lifetime and body was 10 years.

Mayor Daniel questioned if the Board was agreeable to the 7 year term with Brown Equipment or would the Board prefer to make a final decision at the next meeting. Walt Crowder supported moving forward but having Rosie Coyle provide financial information. Nicole Penrod advised she was fine going with this.

Mayor Daniel questioned Mike Shoda if he was good with the \$20,000.00 trade in. He shared he had a letter from Wigent Excavating stating they would purchase the truck for the trade in amount and questioned if the Board would be willing to do that. He advised he would take the \$20,000.00 from Wigent's and put it on the new truck.

Rosie Coyle advised she had not had time to really study the quote and would like to do more research on the leasing.

Mike Shoda pointed out the \$411,000.00 was minus the \$20,000.00 trade in.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to follow Mike Shoda's recommendation to go with Brown Equipment Company for the purchase of the Vactor Truck with the terms being either 5, 6, or 7 years based on Rosie Coyle's approval with trade in being a value of no less than \$20,000.00 with a vehicle price of \$431,575.00 which does not include the trade-in amount, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all accounts payable vouchers dated January 12, 2021, in the amount of \$1,963,291.29, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAYROLL Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all paytypes except overtime in the amount of \$231,212.62 plus overtime in the amount of \$7,359.87 for payfile ending 01/01/2021, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all paytypes except overtime in the amount of \$9,075.00 for payfile ending 01/08/2021 for 1st quarter clothing allowance, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all paytypes except overtime in the amount of \$66,875.00 for payfile ending 01/08/2021 for performance bonuses, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Scott Leatherman** – extra patrol because of political unrest, Braxton Madison starting FTO, Officer's Branekki and Baker will begin their virtual basic

course again on January 19, present quotes for 2021 vehicles at next meeting. **Chip Hill** – met with A & Z Engineering regarding Westgate, update on Cardinal Grain property. **Shawn Lickey** – Ryan Barnett retiring February 2, 2021, compliance program on fuel pumps.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle