

BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 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 July 27, 2021 meeting minutes as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

STREET BID AWARD Kelly Cearbaugh reported Niblock was the only bid received. After reviewing, he recommended approval for the amount of \$235,900.00. Mayor Daniel questioned if the amount was in the range of what they thought the cost would be. Kelly Cearbaugh advised it was.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to award the street paving bid to Niblock Excavating in a grand total amount of \$235,900.00 as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT – MAGGART – 739 N. LONG RIDGE ROAD Rebecca Maggart was present to explain they would like to build a 6 ft. privacy fence. Mayor Daniel questioned if there were any utility concerns. Chip Hill advised there was a sewer line that runs through there. Mayor Daniel informed Mrs. Maggart if we need to get to the sewer line the City would remove the fence but it would be at the homeowners expense to put back up.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve the encroachment request at 739 N. Long Ridge Road, Columbia City, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

COLUMBIA CITY CONNECT – LESLIE BLAKLEY Leslie Blakley with Columbia City Connect was present to request the fees be waived for First Friday's for 2021. She shared in the agreement with the City there was a clause that allowed for the waiver request.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the waiver for Columbia City Connect regarding utility connections for downtown events for 2021, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS AND PAYROLL Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all accounts payable vouchers in the amount of \$964,761.36 dated August 10, 2021, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all paytypes except overtime in the amount of \$243,262.30 plus overtime in the amount of \$4,885.85 for payfile ending July 30, 2021, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS Kelly Cearbaugh – Van Am Seal finished striping downtown and Three River’s Barricade finished the other striping through town. **Mike Cook** – moving equipment for the 700 E. project, update on EQ basin repairs, spent time doing red lines on the agreed order through IDEM. Mayor Daniel reported he, Mike Cook and Austin Babb met with IDEM regarding the toxicity issue we have had for 3 ½ years. He felt they were impressed with how much we have been doing to try and solve the problem. He advised we would probably have an agreed order for legal reasons because of the permitting fees. He reminded the Board that the City approved the TRE investigative plan through EnviroScience. Mike Cook advised he received the plan today.

BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY – INDIANA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD Rosie Coyle shared a request from Sergeant Huddleston regarding the Back to School street closing in that the equipment of one of the vendor’s needs an hour to heat up. She shared they were questioning if they could park in front of the bank early and if not close the streets an hour early, which would be at 11:00 am. Mayor Daniel questioned if we could just block off the number of spaces needed for the trailer. Rosie Coyle advised that was their thought but wasn’t sure if it would be a traffic problem.

Tom LaRue reported he thought it was for Gaerte’s Fish and they needed to get their fryer heated up. He shared Captain Hodges concerns were if they do not block off the parking spaces early, they may not be available. He also expressed concern with having a food truck parked along the road if it would be a traffic hazard, especially when doing such a thing as heating up hot oil with employees inside. He advised in talking with Sergeant Huddleston, he did not consider the prep time for the vendor’s.

Mayor Daniel shared his preference would be to block off the spots needed prior to the Farmer’s Market; maybe have the 3rd shift officers block off the spots. Rosie Coyle advised she would talk with Chief Parrett or Captain Hodges. Mayor Daniel suggested placing the trailer closer to Ohki Alley so there was additional space for safety.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle