

BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 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 August 10, 2021, meeting minutes as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

STREET CLOSING PERMIT – MOVIE ON THE SQUARE Mayor Daniel explained in past years we have held movie on the square and this year are doing it in connection with Columbia City Connect. He requested an extension of the street closure for First Friday but just on Chauncey Street from Van Buren to Market.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to accept the street closing request for Movie on the Square as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion.

Walt Crowder expressed a concern for the construction around the courthouse. Mayor Daniel explained it would be molded around that. He advised Columbia City Connect was supposed to talk with the County about it.

Upon the motion, Nicole Penrod and Walt Crowder voted aye. Mayor Daniel abstained.

PLAT APPROVAL: CAMBRIDGE CROSSING SECTION 3 Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the plat for Cambridge Crossing Section 3, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS AND PAYROLL Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all accounts payable vouchers dated August 24, 2021, in the amount of \$1,005,147.73, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all paytypes except overtime in the amount of \$255,030.93 plus overtime in the amount of \$7,031.96 for payfile ending 08/13/21, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

HIGH GRASS ORDINANCE VIOLATION EXTENSION REQUEST – 894 N. EMANCIPATION CT. Mayor Daniel shared the resident moved into their home back in January but has been at a standstill with the builder to get the landscaping finished. Police Chief Parrett felt the circumstances were beyond her personal doing and did not see why we could not

give an extension. He suggested when they do the recheck on September 2, if nothing was done, they could have further conversation with the resident on if they know when the yard might be done. Walt Crowder liked the suggestion of giving them the opportunity to work out the issue with their builder. Chief Parrett advised he would try to make personal contact with the resident and would make sure signs were posted.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to grant an extension through September 14 and anticipate response back from the Police Chief, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Shawn Lickey** – met with Spectrum Engineering regarding the north substation 69 kva project, quotes received on bypass switch and should have a recommendation at next meeting, update on Westgate project, doing general maintenance. **Tom LaRue** – staffing issues, update on training building as well as the zoning and variance through the State, requested permission to start process to fill vacancy in the department with the retirement of Doug Reed. Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to move forward with the replacement of a firefighter, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye. **Chip Hill** – meeting with Cody Rice and Matt Minier on Spillman updates. **Gary Parrett** – meeting with local agencies to collaborate ways to make our community safer, received grant from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute for the 2022 fiscal year so will have more manpower out and about, he and Gina Conroy working on updating SOP policies in Lexipol as is Dispatch. **Mike Shoda** – flushing hydrants this week and next in the evenings. **Mike Cook** – contractor set vault at 700 E., cleaning forced mains, replaced pump at Armstrong liftstation. **Mark Green** – update on maintenance barn, JFL going well, working on the bathrooms at the old high school property, Aquatics Center open for 2 more weekends.

FIBER PROVIDER Mayor Daniel reported he, Shawn Lickey and Chip Hill had a great second meeting with a fiber provider who will be putting fiber in Columbia City. He advised there would be a more formal announcement coming.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle