

**BOARD OF WORKS  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 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 September 28, 2021, meeting minutes as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CUT PERMIT – 735 NORFOLK (NEW GAS SERVICE)** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into curbs, streets, or alleys for 735 N. Norfolk Cove as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Nicole Penrod noted the street name was misspelled on the map itself.

**STREET CUT PERMIT – 310 E. CHICAGO (RETIRE GAS SERVICE)** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into curbs, streets, or alleys for 310 E. Chicago Street as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CUT PERMIT – 1365 W. GLENWOOD DR.** Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to approve the permit to cut into curbs, streets, or alleys at 1365 W. Glenwood Dr. in Columbia City, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CUT PERMIT – 281 LONGFELLOW BLVD.** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the permit to cut into curbs, streets, or alleys at 281 Longfellow Blvd. as presented, Walt Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO LOCATE UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN CITY RIGHT OF WAY – BERRY IT – FIBER PROJECT** Mayor Daniel explained the first phase was basically on the northern side of US 30. Rosie Coyle questioned if the request was just for Phase 1. Mayor Daniel advised that was correct. Chip Hill questioned if they could approve all 5 phases for just the right-of-way. Mayor Daniel suggested they could approve the application with the caveat that as each phase comes up, it would come before the Board for approval. Chip Hill advised he would bring a set of prints for each phase.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the application for approval to locate utility improvements within City right-of-way for Berry IT for fiber construction with the caveat that as each new phase comes along those phases come before the Board of Works for approval, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**CONSTRUCTION SIGNS – FIBER PROJECT** Mayor Daniel shared there were 2 different signs Surf Broadband has requested to post as they start to do the fiber build out in our community. He noted one was for the street corners and another for each property. He felt it was good notification to the residents.

Nicole Penrod questioned if the service would be active as each phase was complete. Mayor Daniel advised it would be.

Mayor Daniel noted the signs would be removed once each phase was complete.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve Surf Broadband Solutions request to post signage throughout their fiber build out, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**PLAT APPROVAL – HOGUE’S THIRD ADDITION** This issue was tabled until the next meeting.

**STREET CLOSING – VETERAN’S MARATHON** Mark Green advised the route was the same as last year.

Motion was made by Walt Crowder to approve the street closing permit for the Veteran’s Marathon dated November 13, 2021, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**BILLS AND PAYROLL** Motion was made by Nicole Penrod to pay all accounts payable vouchers dated October 12, 2021, in the amount of \$881,649.68, Mayor Daniel 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 10/01/2021 for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter clothing allowance, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS** **Chip Hill** – fiber project, annexations. **Mike Cook** – blower drive blew up and will need replaced, working on SDI annual report, set riser and lid at 700 E. pig launch, working on IPEP safety grant.

Mike Cook reported they had an inspection on the influent pumps which showed the impellers and rings were wearing out. He explained when we pump grit, unless it is removed before it gets to the pumps, it will tear the pumps up. Mayor Daniel questioned how often we would need to spend this amount of money on those pumps. Mike Cook figured it to be between 4 – 6 years. Mayor Daniel questioned if we could put something in place to catch the grit prior to it getting to the pumps. Mike Cook advised a grit removal system could be put in. Mayor Daniel felt they needed to move forward with the proposal in front of them but also wondered if it would be worthwhile to look into the removal system. He shared if we were spending almost \$70,000 every 4 – 5 years for pumps, impellers, etc. how many times would we pay that, that it would make more sense to put in a system. Mike Cook felt it would be a multi-million dollar project; he noted one pump alone, about 3 years ago, was about \$76,000. He advised there were 3 pumps in the headworks building and 4 larger pumps in the EQ basin that cost probably close to

\$85,000 apiece. He advised the current pumps were still running well but were showing wear. He shared last time he had the impellers and rings ceramic coated before installation which has slowed down the wear. He advised he would have the new one's ceramic coated as well. He was requesting to spend \$66,849.00 for parts and labor. He advised the freight and ceramic coating was not included in that estimate. Mayor Daniel questioned if there was an anticipated cost on the coating. Mike Cook thought it to be a couple thousand dollars. Walt Crowder questioned if we had any spare pumps. Mike Cook advised we did not have any spares simply because of the price but they last several years. He explained unless there was a storm event, they only run 1 pump at a time, and they rotate every 24 hours. Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the request for the wastewater treatment plant pumps quote #6272 through BL Anderson Company, Inc. as presented, Nicole Penrod seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**Kelly Cearbaugh** – update on paving project, gearing up for leaf pickup. **Gary Parrett** – update on new vehicles, working with Cody to update Spillman, updating policies and procedures. **Mike Cook** – update on new water main on Jefferson Street. **Mark Green** – preparing for Mother/Son party, seeding on hold at high school property, addressing issue with mud sliding down trail along US 30, problems with hand driers in new bathrooms, Kyle Weigold was selected for Aquatics Center Director.

**MAYOR REPORT** Mayor Daniel reported his Executive Secretary will be resigning in March and are actively seeking applications. He advised he would be presenting the ARP list to Council and CIP Committee would be meeting to review the CEDIT budget.

**YOUTH COUNCIL** Grace Romine was present to give an update on what the Youth Council has been doing.

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

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle