

**BOARD OF WORKS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2024
5:00 PM**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle - Present
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present
Daniel Weigold – Present
Lisa Smith – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present. Mayor Daniel called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

MINUTES Dan Weigold made a motion to approve the February 13, 2024, meeting minutes as presented, Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BID OPENING: FIRE TRUCK Rosie Coyle opened and read the only bid received, which was from Hoosier Fire in the amount of \$1,058,298.00 with delivery in 650 calendar days.

Mayor Daniel advised the bid would be taken under advisement for tentative award at the next meeting. Chief LaRue noted the bid amount did not include equipment.

STREET CLOSING REQUEST: PRISM FEST Savanna Fettig was present to discuss the street closing request. She advised she was requesting on behalf of Whitley County Pride, an organization for the LGBTQ community, to close the 100 block and 200 block of West Van Buren Street, and also Chauncey Street. She shared it was pretty much the same setup as First Friday's. She advised they were requesting the streets to be closed from 1:00 pm until 9:00 pm with the event running from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm. She shared that would allow them time to get the streets cleaned up and everything back into working order.

Mayor Daniel questioned if the event would be much like First Friday's where there are vendors, food trucks and music. Savanna advised it would be. She shared their goal is to be an all-inclusive organization and want this to be a family friendly event where they can show the LGBTQ community that they are loved and welcomed here. She noted it was on a Saturday and would work with the Farmer's Market.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the street closing request for Prism Fest as presented, Lisa Smith seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PULVER ASPHALT AGREEMENT - WESTGATE Mayor Daniel confirmed this was the agreement we sent back for corrections. Rosie Coyle advised that was correct. Mayor Daniel advised he noticed on the very first page under 'Work', in the third line under Article 1, it says West of Lawrence Drive and it should be 'Street'.

Dan Weigold made a motion to approve the agreement. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, all voted aye.

NOTICE TO PROCEED – PULVER ASPHALT Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the Notice to Proceed for Pulver Asphalt Paving as presented. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, all voted aye.

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES – WHITLEY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER Rosie Coyle noted they increased the hourly rate, but the limit was still the same. She advised there is always money left but wanted the Board to be aware of the increase.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the agreement with the Whitley County Soil and Water Conservation District as presented. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, all voted aye.

FISCAL PLAN - CONNIE DYE ANNEXATION PHASE 2 Mayor Daniel confirmed the Board just needed to accept the Fiscal Plan. Attorney McNagny advised that was correct and she reported she reviewed it.

Mayor Daniel explained with every annexation the City is mandated to include a Fiscal Plan to know what the actual fiscal impact is going to be on the City and what kind of things would be required if we annex the new property into the City. He explained because the property is currently agricultural, and there was nothing on it, it really does not change anything currently but knowing in the future it will probably turn into a subdivision there obviously will be some costs involved, which we were already working on.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the annexation Fiscal Plan for the Connie Dye Phase 2 property. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DONOHUE ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – LIFT STATION CONTROL PANEL REPLACEMENT Mike Cook explained this would be Phase 3 of the project and covers the Eagle Court and Armstrong liftstation control panel replacement. He explained the agreement is for the design, build, installation, testing, programming from start to finish. He shared it was really good stuff they were putting in and putting together for us. He reported for the 2 lift stations it was a lump sum of \$169,000.00 and was his recommendation to go ahead and enter into the contract with them.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the Engineering Services Agreement with Donohue as presented. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAY REQUEST – FORCE MAIN PROJECT Mike Cook explained this was for the Jefferson and Main Street force main project for the amount of \$5,352.00. He advised he recommended approval of the pay request.

Mayor Daniel made a motion to approve the pay request Invoice #14090-13 for \$5,352.00 as presented. Lisa Smith seconded the motion, all voted aye.

BILLS Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable in the amount of \$293,034.22 from the allowance of accounts payable vouchers dated 2/27/24 for checks. Mayor Daniel seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable in the amount of \$1,094,822.74 from the account allowance of accounts payable vouchers dated 2/27/24 for EFT payments. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable in the amount of \$2,987.04 for meter deposits from the allowance of accounts payable vouchers dated February 26, 2024. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

PAYROLL Lisa Smith made a motion to pay all accounts payable except overtime in the amount of \$270,978.53 plus overtime in the amount of \$6,563.58 for a total of \$277,542.11 for the pay file ending 02/09/2024. Dan Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS **Chip Hill** - public outreach meeting with the contractor this Monday night for Westgate, awarded bids for Eagle Park last night at the Park Board meeting and were anticipating that getting started in May, wrapping up acquisition of easements for the Blue River Trail project and then should get that out for bid very soon. **Terry Wherry** - still waiting on Baseline to do the fiber work for the booster station, SURF Internet installed 2 lines to upgrade some of our Internet connections, received updated quotes on projects that were not finished last year and passed along for approval. **Kelly Cearbaugh** - Leaf mulch has been ground up and is at the back of Morsches Park and is available to the public, doing maintenance on streets, alleys and signs, working on

getting our paving list around for next year, running the sweeper and had the televising truck out doing some televising of sewer mains, sending some guys down to Indy next week for some equipment training. **Mike Shoda** - working down on Chauncey Street, water main on SR 205 has been pressure tested, bacteria tested and is online. **Mike Cook** - 3 new lift station control panels are up and functioning well with no issues, continue to work on repairs on the secondary, continue with sludge hauling, installing new MAS units for the Headworks pumps, submitted the annual EPA report. **Tom LaRue** - attended the EMS Symposium and those hours go towards EMS certification that they have to maintain, attended Dave Herron's celebration for 50 years in the Fire Service, update on hiring process, completed annual gear inspections.

MAYOR REPORT Mayor Daniel gave department reports for Police Chief Gary Parrett, Electric Superintendent Shawn Lickey and Park Director Matt Heiden.

Mayor Daniel reported he would be in Indianapolis for the Mayors and Commissioners Caucus, he would be meeting with the Youth Council on Thursday, he has had some really positive conversations this week from a business aspect and hope to be able to share more as we move into the future, State of the City address is scheduled for March 15th at the library.

Having no further business to discuss, Mayor Daniel called the meeting adjourned.

Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle