

City of Decatur  
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes  
April 6, 2021

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Tyler Fullenkamp and Mayor Dan Rickord. Craig Coshow was absent. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Timothy Baker.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes of the March 16, 2021 meeting. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Rickord seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The first item on the agenda was Police Chief Lennie Corral regarding the department's Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) in making changes to personal grooming such as beards, hair, tattoos, and jewelry. Fullenkamp made a motion to support Chief Corral changes to the Police Department's SOP. Mayor Rickord seconded the motion which passed. Mayor Rickord than complimented Chief Corral for having the specific standards set for the officers.

Fullenkamp made a motion to make a matter of record the Employment Contract for Officer Alex Smith. Seconded by Mayor Rickord, the motion was adopted.

Fullenkamp made a motion to make the Certificate of Appointment/Oath of Office for Officer Alex Smith a matter of record. Seconded by Mayor Rickord, the motion was adopted.

Next on the agenda was the Memorandum of Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration and the Indiana State Historic Preservation for the Adams Street, Winchester Street, Mercer Avenue, and South Second Street (5-Points) Improvement Project. Fullenkamp made a motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the Memorandum of Agreement for the 5-Points Project. Seconded by Mayor Rickord, the motion was adopted.

A discussion was then held regarding the rental agreement and rules for The HIVE. The issue of the renter providing a certificate of insurance was discussed. Following the discussion, Fullenkamp made a motion to not require a certificate of insurance for The HIVE or the Depot, and approved the other minor changes to the agreement and rules. Seconded by Mayor Rickord, the motion was adopted. The final documents will be presented at the next meeting to make a matter of record.

Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor appeared before the Board regarding Change Order #1 from Kokosing Industrial for Phase 2 of the Winchester Street Water Plant Project to incorporate the construction of the Raw Water Transmission Line Replacement to Berne and County Road 500 W from Deer Run to Oak Grove. The pricing from Kokosing is based upon being awarded the quoted work in its entirety. Kokosing is seeking an answer by the end of the month if the City desires for them to do the project. Hackman will come before the Board at the April 20, 2021 meeting with more details. It was noted if a contract is signed by April 30, 2021, Kokosing would not have to leave and then return to do this project.

Jeremy Gilbert, Operations Manager appeared before the Board regarding an American Electric Power (AEP) power pole replacement project on the south edge of the City. They are planning poles and wire replacement starting in the areas of south Winchester Street from the County jail where the old railroad bed was and run through south 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Street, to Dayton Avenue to square up the poles and lines instead of going at angles. AEP is requesting the option to purchase some easements. They will be

placing steel poles with many of them being placed along the railroad bed. Gilbert noted there was no hurry but asked Board members to review the proposal, and shared that AEP had appeared before the Adams County Commissioners this morning regarding the project. Gilbert wanted to bring the issue forward and plans to discuss it further at the April 20, 2021 meeting for possible approval and signage of the agreement.

It was announced that the property owner, Orlyn Lehman is willing to extend the lease for the Berne wells. Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor will work further with Mr. Lehman to firm up the extension agreement.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Fullenkamp made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mayor Rickord, the motion was adopted.

Adjournment was at 6:45 P.M.