

CITY OF DECATUR
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY MINUTES
NOVEMBER 18, 2008

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety met on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in Council Chambers. Members present were Mayor John Schultz and Board members Bill Karbach and Ken Meyer. City Attorney, Tim Baker was also present.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. The Clerk-Treasurer emailed the minutes from November 3rd. There were no corrections or amendments offered, so Meyer made a motion to approve the minutes as received, Karbach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The City Attorney prepared the agreement with Ideal for the lift station in Meadows of Cross Creek, which will be signed by the Board of Works at the next meeting.

The Mayor read the comments from the State Board of Accounts 2007 Audit Report. Karbach made a motion to make the 2007 Audit Report a matter of record. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous.

The City Attorney reported he spoke with Indiana Association of Cities and Towns attorney in regards to using city funds to install a new sewer line for the section along the south side of Highway 224 East from Townsend Tires to Gary Meyer's property. IACT's attorney recommended hiring a surveyor to survey the properties, the city attorney to prepare an agreement for the easements for the property owners to sign, and then have recorded. Once these steps are done, then the property owners could tie into the city sewer system.

The list of holidays for 2009 was presented to the Board of Works members; no changes were made, so Meyer made a motion to approve the 2009 Holidays as presented. Karbach seconded the motion. Motion carried.

City Attorney presented the contract for the Transfer Station for 2009. The City Attorney commented, there are no increase for 2009, but may have an increase in 2010. Karbach made a motion to approve the contract for the council member to sign and approve. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The City Attorney was notified the city's rental property on 7th Street, the building may not be heated. The Mayor will contact Mark's Heating to make sure the heating system is working properly.

The Mayor received a letter from Saber, the contractor who is taking down a portion of the GE building who believes building #2 should be condemned due to safety issues. The Mayor reported the Building Supt., and the Fire Chief will be inspecting building #2 concerning safety issues. The City Attorney will prepare a letter to GE for authorization to condemn building #2.

Council members were in attendance to hear a presentation from Kelly Ehinger about the Decatur Library. Ehinger wanted council members to be aware that residents are going to Van Wert, Ohio to use the library, because it is funded differently than Indiana. Council should be concerned because they are going out of the city for these services. Ehinger explained how the library is funded and the benefits of

having a library available to the public. She supports having a countywide library district so everyone would benefit, as for now, the County Commissioners are not in favor of this.

Police Chief, Ken Ketzler and Deputy Police Chief, Greg Cook were present to discuss hiring a Resource Officer. Funding is still questionable, so the decision whether to hire a Resource Officer was tabled until the next Board of Works meeting on December 2nd.

There being no further business, Karbach made a motion for adjournment. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.