City of Decatur Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes January 3, 2023

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on January 3, 2023 at 6:00 at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street, Decatur. Members present were Craig Coshow, Tyler Fullenkamp, and Mayor Dan Rickord. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Anne Razo.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the December 20, 2022 meeting. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 meeting. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted. The minutes from the December 27, 2022 Executive Session had also been emailed and Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 27, 2022 Executive Session. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

First on the agenda was Chief of Police Lennie Corral seeking permission to proceed with the hiring process of Logan LeMaster. It was shared that Mr. LeMaster is a life long resident of Adams County, a 2018 Bellmont High graduate, and a graduate of Ball State University in 2021. If granted permission to proceed with the hiring of Mr. LeMaster, Chief Corral noted he will send him to Indianapolis for the psychological and physical tests with PERF. Fullenkamp made a motion to allow Chief Corral to proceed with LeMaster taking the testing required with PERF. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Police Chief Lennie Corral then noted that as per the Executive Session held on December 27, 2022 he is requesting permission to re-open the application process in hopes to get more applicants. It was noted that various officers have volunteered to help assist in spreading the word regarding the application process. Coshow made a motion to permit Chief Corral to re-open the application process to hire another officer. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor appeared before the Board seeking permission to change the billing cycle for some residents. Hackman shared that with the Adams County Sewer District taking over the billing for the Oak Woods Addition of about 50 residents, that lowered the number to less than 500 needed for the bulk rate for the mailings. Thus, Hackman shared that likely one neighborhood would need to be switched over to keep the bulk rate. Hackman would like to make the switch before the Sewer District takes over, and to include a notice in the mailing to those affected. Coshow made a motion to accept the recommendation as per Utility Auditor Kevin Hackman. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

There being no other business, Coshow made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Adjournment was at 6:15 P.M.