

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on August 14, 2023, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilman Kring, and Clerk-Treasurer Clark. Councilman Rippy was not present.

Others: Diana Tomlinson, Tim Ehman, Ken Ehman, Mike Terry, Mark Baird, Judy Coker, Rob Cochrane II, John Kwiatt, and Abbie Smith – Community Development Director.

Mayor Dolezal opened the August 14, 2023, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve July 24, 2023, BOW minutes, seconded by Mayor Dolezal, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Street Closure – American Legion – September 9, 2023, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.: Mayor Dolezal stated this is Independence Street from Jefferson Street to Washington Street for a car show, the street in front of the Legions. Mr. Tim Ehman stated yes and the grassy area. The parking lot will be open for our members. He also stated he went to TDS and he is pretty sure they are going to allow them to use their property as well. It was stated the overflow would be behind TDS. Councilman Kring stated it would be nice if TDS said yes. Mayor Dolezal stated we received all four yes's on the closure and it is not the supplemental one. Mr. Ehman stated the Street Dept. will supply the blockades that we will put up that morning. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Street Closure, seconded by Mayor Dolezal, with all in favor.

POW WOW – September 2, 2023: Mayor Dolezal stated Mr. Bishop wanted to know how late they are allowed to go. It was stated the Ordinance allows noise until 11 p.m. Councilman Kring stated to let them know what the ordinance says and if they need more than that send a representative.

Cemetery: Cemetery Manager Tomlinson stated there were 5 burials, 3 cremations, and 4 lots sold for \$2,800. Mayor Dolezal about platting on the north section. Tomlinson stated we are waiting for Wyatt to do his portion. Mayor Dolezal stated to let him know if we need help. He asked if the football kids were using it. Tomlinson stated yes they are.

Park: Park Superintendent Tomlinson commented the disc golf course was temporarily closed due to down trees and hangers, the repairs have been made and it is back open. She also commented she ordered more mulch for the playground areas. Tomlinson stated all the tables, trash containers, and playground equipment have arrived and are ready to be installed at the Downtown Plaza when the project is completed. She also stated they are waiting for the design to be completed from the architect on the ball diamonds so we can

move forward on the bidding process. Tomlinson commented there will be a public meeting at the Foundation for the Skatepark on August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Mayor Dolezal stated the concert have been great.

Planning Department – Enforcement Division: Enforcement Division Coker stated

Commissioner Niblick was not here but provided the Board with his reports. She also stated she has grass and trash violations. Coker commented an order was issued on 505 Harrison and 801 Oak to demolish both properties. The order was posted, mailed in regular mail and certified mail and he had till Friday to appeal the order. Mr. John Kwiatt has a purchase agreement for both properties. Mr. Kwiatt stated his desire on 505 Harrison Street is to rehab it and would like for it to be pulled off the demo order. If everything goes well, he hopes to have it completed by the end of November. This would allow more housing for the community. Mr. Kwiatt commented if the demo order stays in place, then he would withdraw the purchase agreement. There was a brief discussion on what he would like to do with both properties. Councilman Kring stated he would like to keep both orders in place but would like Judy to do a hold harmless paper for Mr. Kwiatt to sign so he would have permission to go inside the property. It was decided to come back in two weeks to let us know the situation. Councilman Kring mentioned keeping an eye on the property by Caseys, the car wash, and the Red Brick. Coker stated she will keep an eye on them Plus she is addressing the 124 Fourth Street property, the inspector is taking pictures. She also stated she had complaints about 202 E. Jefferson – Compton's building, with an open shed and it being vacant. Coker commented she is working on 225 Maple Street. Councilman Kring stated if you need help let him know. Coker stated the Building Inspector had helped. Mayor Dolezal asked for an update on Whites. Coker stated she talked to the Auctioneer, there is no set date, the process is moving through with the judges, as soon as they will set a date. It was also stated it has maxed out on the fines. Coker stated she tried talking to the finance company to see if they want to come here to get the fines released but she is getting more responses from the auctioneer. There was a discussion regarding the weeds on the railroad and raising the fees on commercial properties. It was also mentioned about adding a clause that allows us to contract the mowing out.

Street: Public Works Manager Terry stated the CCG paving project is almost complete. They are completing the paving on N. Independence Street and then they will have a few touch-up items. He also stated the Downtown Plaza, City portion is almost complete. The contractors will do the curbs, landscaping, sidewalks, and irrigation. The City will do the topsoil. Terry commented that the baseball project is moving along. He also commented the Mayor and himself met with American Structure Point, the Engineering Firm for the LPA project. The contract should be signed by September 1<sup>st</sup>. Mayor Dolezal stated the traffic signals and the signs to remind about trucks. There was a brief discussion about the signage and the temporary traffic sign. Public Works Manager Terry stated that the Mayor, the two Chiefs, and himself decided to switch to a four-way stop for the four intersections. He also stated he had monitored the traffic flow and the largest backup was five cars deep. Councilman Kring stated he was apprehensive at first but with the Public

Works Manager, the Chiefs, the Mayor, and TMU you all done a great job. Terry stated they will be putting a signpost on all four corners and then mount a stop sign to the post if we need to convert it. Councilman Kring stated he was pleasantly surprised. Mayor Dolezal stated if it goes permanent we can put a stop sign there.

Mayor Dolezal stated the Teen Academy went very well. They opened it up to High School and Middle School. There were 17 young folks and he appreciated the Police and Fire for hosting it. Mayor Dolezal then took up the discussion on the four-way stop signs. Mayor Dolezal stated we are very fortunate with our employees, they have done a super job.

Adjournment: With no further business, Councilman Kring called for adjournment, seconded by Mayor Dolezal, with all in favor.

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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President, Board of Public Works and Safety