

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on August 23, 2021, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Dolezal, Councilmen Kring and Rippy and Clerk-Treasurer Clark.

Others: Ken Ehman, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, Sharon Teuscher, Cara Kellerman with Encore, Jeff Stout, Joe Bitner, Sherry Landseadel and Cheyenne Watson.

Mayor Dolezal opened the August 23, 2021, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the August 9, 2021, BOW minutes, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Street Closure – Encore – September 18th: Mrs. Cara Kellerman submitted her request for street closure for part of Court Street for the Wine Tasting Event/Fundraiser on September 18th from 6-9 p.m. This closure would be on Court Street from the alley south to Madison, which will not interfere with Farmers Market on Saturday morning. Mayor Dolezal asked if they are closing Madison Street. Mrs. Kellerman stated just during the event, the staff at Elks is help putting it on and they will be moving supplies from Elks to the Court Street parking lot. Councilman Kring reported the dates would be September 17th to September 18th. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the request for street closure for the Encore Event from September 17th to September 18th, seconded by Councilman Rippy, with all in favor.

Fire: Chief Bitner asked if there were any questions on the July monthly report. Mayor Dolezal asked about the 92 medical assist runs. Chief Bitner reported code 311 is medical assist that we code at Medic 81, code 320 is Ambulance 10 runs and code 322 is motor vehicle crashes. He also stated he is working on contacting contractors for the building repairs, the entry way concrete wall, the front and back aprons, and the north face of the building. There was a brief discussion about the repairs to the building and insulation. Chief Bitner commented that the fall semester has started for the Medic Class, this will be 2–8-week period for fall semester. Chief Bitner stated at tonight's Council meeting if the Resolution to auction Rescue 15 and Truck 10 is passed who will contact Cripe's Auction Service or will he need to. Clerk-Treasurer Clark stated she will need to contact him. Chief Bitner stated last month we discussed selling Engine 11 when Engine 10 arrives can we get the process to help that along, so it is not setting around. Mayor Dolezal asked when it will be in. Chief Bitner stated in the Spring, they don't see anything delaying it. Councilman Rippy stated you might let people know it will be available in the spring. Chief Bitner reported there will be training with the pump before we put it in service, so it will be a month of training before we would sell the old one. He also reported TFD is partnering with Tipton County Health Dept. on a blood drive at the station from noon to six in the TFD bays near East Street. There was a brief discussion regarding the building and repairs to it.

Police: Chief Stout handed out his monthly statistics and stated the numbers are increasing, stops have increased with Officer Firks being in the FTO phase and is now on regular patrol. Mayor Dolezal asked if he likes writing tickets. Chief Stout stated he does, and he is now on his own. He also commented that Cheyenne Watson is our new part-time person taking over Cheryl's spot who is now the Community Service Officer. Ms. Watson worked at the Street Dept. Chief Stout commented that the process for the Police applicants started Saturday, August 21st with the physical agility. There were eleven applicants, seven showed up and four passed the agility and written test. He also stated they would start the interview process and would bring three for the Board to interview. Chief Stout reported you have to pass to be eligible for hire and the applications are good for a year. He also commented that Captain Nichols, TCSD Captain Henderson and himself have been working on the Pork Festival details and parade routes. Chief Stout stated CSO Alley on August 27th is retiring after 39 ½ years, he requested no party, but he will be getting a service award. Friday is his last day. He also reported this past Saturday the FOP and Fire Dept helped the Tipton Moose Lodge Fishing Rodeo for the prize donations. They plan on doing it every year here on out.

Ms. Sharon Teuscher asked how traffic tickets are applied. Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported depends on the type of ticket, but the State charges a fee and the money the City gets from the ticket goes into the Local Law Enforcement Continuing Education Fund.

Enforcement Division: Mayor Dolezal commented emails have been sent to Needlers. Councilman Kring stated he feels we are going down the right path.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Dolezal reported the SAS Committee was provided a list for no parking on one side.

Councilman Kring stated we need to bring to Enforcement Office Coker about the Red Brick property is out of control with weeds, etc. He stated he would notify Coker.


Ms. Teuscher asked about the old Alco building they are working on inside. Mayor Dolezal stated they filed for a building improvement permit. Teuscher stated she heard it was going to be a Dollar Tree and the last one she heard was a Family Dollar. Councilman Kring reported the business is owned by Dollar Tree and Family Dollar, the same people.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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President, Board of Public Works and Safety