

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on February 12, 2024, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Schmicker, Councilmen Ehman, and Kring, and Clerk-Treasurer Clark.

Others: Mike Terry, Diana Tomlinson, Steve Niblick, Judy Coker, Tim Richards, Abbie Smith, Heath Moreland, and Joe Bitner.

Mayor Schmicker opened the February 12, 2024, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the January 22, 2024, Executive Session Memorandum, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the January 22, 2024, BOW minutes, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: None.

Old Business:

Old Engine 11 – Fire Dept.: Chief Bitner provided the Board with information on selling Engine 11 through Brindlee Mountain Fire Apparatus and explained the terms and conditions of the agreement and getting an appraisal. Mayor Schmicker stated let's get the appraisal before the BOW approves the agreement. Chief Bitner stated he would get the appraisal sheet filled out and sent.

Harden Digital & Design contract: Mayor Schmicker stated he is sending through legal to get the contract constructed.

New Business:

BOW – Goals: Mayor Schmicker stated he has reviewed with the BOW on identifying and focusing on code enforcement. We will prioritize items with residential and commercial and he should be able to present this at the next BOW meeting for Judy, Enforcement Officer to see.

Street Closure – Jack Wagon Car Club: Mr. Heath Moreland stated he filled out the applications for two street closures for Saturday, April 27th, 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and Friday, Cruise In on August 9th. There was a brief discussion regarding the Main Street events and the Farmers Market. Councilman Ehman made a motion to approve the Jack Wagon Car Club street closure applications for April 27th and August 9th, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Cemetery: Cemetery Manager Tomlinson commented there were eight burials, zero cremations, and two lots sold for \$1,400.

Park: Park Superintendent Tomlinson stated the first concert is May 18th with the Flying Toasters. The tables, benches, spheres, and corn hole will be installed at the Plaza as soon as the weather gets warmer. She also stated she ordered the fence for the perimeter on the Plaza. Tomlinson commented that she has posted two labor positions in the paper. She also commented that the Eclipse Celebration is on April 8th starting at 2 p.m., we have hired two bands and other things are happening as well. The new basketball courts will be done by the end of May, and we are currently pricing new goals and posts. Tomlinson stated sewage lines are coming through the park this fall in conjunction with the work from 28 and 31. They will be attached to a drain on the east side of the park. She also stated the painting and new soffit/siding on the existing storage building at the baseball diamonds are complete. Tomlinson commented that the Park's Dept. will be absorbing the costs of water, sewage, electricity, and dumpster costs for the baseball league, as well as supplying trash containers for the league which will be using the Atlanta fields this year. There was a brief discussion about buying park equipment every year. Councilman Kring stated it would be neat to have the basketball court painted. Park Superintendent Tomlinson stated we are working on something. There was a brief discussion regarding the basketball goals behind the school.

Planning Department – Enforcement Division: Building Commissioner Niblick commented the BZA and Planning meetings have been canceled for lack of agenda. He also commented last Thursday they had training for City & County BZA and Planning. It was a Zoom meeting; they had an hour discussion. Niblick reviewed the permit reports for January. Enforcement Division, Judy Coker reviewed the January enforcement reports with the Board. Coker stated the 124 Fourth Street property is done. The contractor will grade and seed the property in the spring. She also stated the property owner cleaned up the garage and is living in the garage. She contacted Emily with the Health Department. Mayor Schmicker stated he is working on the spreadsheet for some goals on five residential and five commercial properties that we need to work on throughout the year.

Street: Public Works Manager Terry stated with the winter weather the brine system has made a huge difference on the sidewalks and roads. He also stated that with the warmer weather, we have started on the street sweeping, but we have a long way to go. Terry commented that we are doing some patching and are accepting the bids for the 2023 CCMG on February 21st for a special bid opening and then they will be taken under advisement. Hopefully, we will be ready to present our recommendations at the next BOW meeting. Mayor Schmicker stated with the timeline for the CCMG being close, Public Works Manager Terry, City Engineer Mahan, Clerk-Treasurer Clark, and myself will be opening the bids and taking them under advisement so they can be reviewed and a recommendation can be made on the 26th. Public Works Manager Terry stated the 801 Oak Street property has been demolished and when the weather is better, we will do the topsoil and seeding. Councilman Kring asked about the sidewalks. Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported the program hasn't been approved yet and advertised. Councilman Ehman stated there are a few carried over from last year. There was a brief discussion regarding

sidewalks that might be missing a section and what the process is for those situations along with the process on sidewalks in subdivisions.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Schmicker reported the Public Safety Building agreement was signed and the feasibility study we should receive in late May. There will be three parts to the study first they will do a facility assessment grading the condition of the building, second part they will get the department's needs today and future and last they will propose building expansion or a full building rebuild. He also reported on the baseball project. We have reorganized the fencing project to be done last after getting some of the other construction done. The feedback on the elevation looks good but there are a couple of other items like granular data, etc. being reviewed. The work done by Terry and Tomlinson looks pretty good. Mayor Schmicker stated that Clerk-Treasurer Clark and himself met with Reedy Financial last week to discuss funding mechanisms to fund the project. He also stated at the Industrial Park we are getting RFPs for the farm lease. The notice will be in the paper this Wednesday and next Wednesday and then on March 11th, we should know who the individual will be. Mayor Schmicker commented that the Department Head meeting with the Leadership Team that one of the components is having a standardized report out to feed to the BOW meeting. They will all harmonize and feed off one another.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.


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President, Board of Public Works and Safety