

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on November 12, 2018, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Havens, Councilmen Curnutt and Morgan and Clerk-Treasurer Clark.

Others: Mike Terry, Sherry Landseadel, Jason Henderson, Randy Koors, Kegan Schmicker, Joe VanBibber, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, Diana Tomlinson, Mary Tragesser-Tina, and Corey Henderson.

Mayor Havens opened the November 12, 2018 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Morgan made a motion to approve the October 22, 2018 BOW minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Curnutt, with all in favor. Councilman Morgan made a motion to approve the October 25, 2018 Special BOW minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Curnutt, with all in favor.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Alley Surface Discussion – Randy Koors: Mr. Koors stated it has been several years since any work has been done on the alleys. The gravel that is added is making the alleys higher, which is causing flooding on properties. If something else could be done that would cut down on the dust on cars and houses. He also stated in his alley there are 11 vehicles that park in the alley and some are elderly residents. So in the winter we wait for the alley to be cleared which is second to the streets. Mr. Koors stated the alleys have been forgotten about. Can you find some money to work on the alleys? Public Works Manager Terry stated he received Mr. Koors petition and they are in the process of measuring the alleys with Google Earth to see the number of square feet of alleys we have. We are doing a spreadsheet of the alleys regarding chip seal, grading and gravel etc. Mayor Havens noted we really want to do an alley plan and get a long-term plan implemented. Mr. Koors stated it needs to be short term to get started. Mayor Havens commented typically they ask for more gravel and that creates the problem with ponding in the yards. Mr. Koors stated maybe by next summer you can have a plan for the alleys. Councilman Morgan stated maybe it should be like the street priorities. Terry commented it will depend on the surface we put down. It might not be the right material we are putting down. Mr. Koors stated some of the alleys need it but not all of them, he just wants them to be looked at. Mayor Havens said to follow it and keep in touch with Public Works Manager Terry. Mr. Koors thanked the Board for listening to him.

Open Farmland Lease Bids: Clerk-Treasurer Clark reported we received one bid. Mayor Havens opened the bid from Grant Dunn it was \$250/acre with a 35% flex payment. The flex payment would be determined by achieving the Gross Income in excess of the cost of production plus \$50 for equipment and other expense and \$50 income for management (\$100 total). A flex payment would be paid for Gross Income in excess of the 35%. Grant gave an example of corn and of soybeans. Councilman Curnutt made a motion to take under advisement to further examine the Gross bid portion, seconded by Councilman

Morgan. A question was asked where the land is located. Mayor Havens stated along Buck Creek, Market Road south to behind most of the District Solid Waste. It is a small strip of land. The motion was passed with all in favor. Mayor Havens commented we will reconsider the Farmland Lease at the November 26, 2018 BOW meeting.

Kegan Schmicker – Library Crossing Project – Street Closure for Madison, Independence and Court Street: Mr. Schmicker representing the Tipton Main Street Association on the project with the Library, Commissioners, Main Street and the City of Tipton. The project will consist of painting a mural on the pavement and the weather has cut us short. We need 50-degree daily temperature for the paint. Mr. Schmicker asked if we could coordinate the closure of the road with someone because of the weather is unpredictable. Mayor Havens asked how long for the road closure. Schmicker reported two days for cleaning and painting. Councilman Curnutt reported it will be discretionary. Mayor Havens suggested Public Works Manager Terry authorize the closing and to receive adequate notice not to exceed 48 hours of any closing. Terry asked that the notice is ahead of time on when it will work. Schmicker stated the ADA ramps and crossing painted, the parking spots should be identified with markers. The Street Dept. would remove the old markings and relay out the new markers. Councilman Morgan made a motion to allow the Crossing Project at the Library to proceed with Public Works Manager Terry's approval, with a 48-hour maximum single closing for seven months (May 2019), seconded by Councilman Curnutt, with all in favor. Mayor Havens congratulated Mr. Schmicker with all he has accomplished.

Cemetery: Cemetery Foreman Tomlinson reported there were five full burials, one cremation and nine lot sales.

Park: Park Foreman Tomlinson reported they are putting up Christmas decorations. Mayor Havens asked about the part-time people. Tomlinson reported she has one and two are with Public Works Manager Terry helping him. Terry reported he is utilizing them on yard waste and leaf pick up.

Street: Public Works Manager Terry reported leaf pick up is in full swing; we are getting behind but are trying to get caught back up. He also noted we didn't receive the Community Crossing Grant funding for the 2018 grant. We will apply for the 2019 Community Crossing Grant in January and he assumes we will do the four applications again. Terry reported the INDOT letter stated they had more applications than money. He also commented the application was filled out properly. Mayor Havens stated he wanted the BOW to understand we weren't aware of the declination of funding was an option. With the more applications we assumed it would be prorated funds divided out differently. It was also noted Tipton County didn't receive funding as well. We felt INDOT would explain out front that you would get no funding especially if you already received funding. Public Works Manager Terry commented that in his handouts he has two spreadsheets one is the Labor Summary Sheet and the other is Recycle and Trash tonnage. On the Labor Summary Sheet under the first dark line are Haul compost,

compost and grinding. We have 757.50 hours on processing yard waste, which cost about \$40,000 processing the yard waste. This is the compost the City has hauled in and what the County residents have hauled in. Councilman Curnutt asked if the County employees help with this. Terry reported we receive labor assistance from the Recycle Center when someone drops off the yard waste, the rest are Street Dept. workers. Mayor Havens stated a better way to put it is the City and Cicero Twp., subdivisions and housing developments use it. He also reported this is a very interesting item to be measured and the Solid Waste District Board needs to be fully aware and we aren't getting help for this. Mayor Havens commented the County Council attempted to acquire cash reserve from the Solid Waste District to apply that cost to landfill since they have a large cash reserve. He also stated no entity of government has enough cash reserve and the cash reserves you don't know what next week's emergency is going to be. Terry commented the grinder is old and cost a lot of money. We have to repair something every time you start it up. The grinder was purchased in 1995; we need to look at replacement or changing the process.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor Havens asked the County Surveyor, Jason Henderson or Cicero Twp. Trustee, Corey Henderson if they have anything to bring forward. They both responded no.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.



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President, Board of Public Works and Safety