

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on July 22, 2019, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

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

Others: Tom Clark, Jeff Stout, Vicky Boyd with Tipton Tribune, Bob Edinger and Joe VanBibber.

Mayor Havens opened the July 22, 2019, Board of Public Works and Safety meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Curnutt made a motion to approve the July 8, 2019, Public Hearing minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Morgan, with all in favor. Councilman Curnutt made a motion to approve the July 8, 2019, BOW minutes without amendment, seconded by Councilman Morgan, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Havens reported they are progressing well at the splash pad. They are 18 days behind schedule, but it is going well. There is not a specific date to commence. The Mayor said the intent is it will be passed the closing date of the pool.

Fire: Nothing to report. Mayor Havens reported since he signed the ambulance agreement there has been a lot more sirens out from the center of the community.

Police: Chief Clark reported the YTD and monthly stats for June were in the packets. He also reported the contract with Alternatives they are doing away with the grant and we will now have a memorandum of understanding with Alternatives. The advocate put together what they do under the memorandum. We will receive a report bi-annually on their services. Mayor Havens asked about doing away with the grant. Chief Clark reported the grant was through Elwood (that Tipton piggybacked on which we contributed \$3,000 into it) and CJI. The Tipton County Foundation and Tipton County Sheriff's Dept. also paid some of the grant. There were stipulations put on the grant, such as wanting to know names and what information they couldn't have. We are no longer using the grant. Sheriff Frawley approached Windfall, Sharpsville, and Kempton Town Boards to get some help on funding for Alternatives. Mayor Havens asked if it is worth the money. Chief Clark stated yes and it gives us cameras, it is a great asset. Mayor Havens reported it is \$7,000 and we were paying \$3,000. Chief Clark reported yes and the way the MOU is set up the advocate will be able to do more than she wasn't able to do with the grant. They will also coordinate the State mandates for training. Chief Clark reported at the SAS meeting they discussed seal coating and striping at the Golf Course. We are looking at resealing the lot at the Police Dept. one quote from Lazer Light was for \$2,200 and the other quote from Jansen was \$1,125. The Jansen quote was cheaper, and they will be doing the Police

parking lot. He also reported the renewal of the SRO, there were some changes made by Supt. Elmsweller to cover when Officer Maddox is gone with a security officer. The agreement is from August to April and he starts the day before the school years starts. Mayor Havens stated he assumes the first year went smoothly. Chief Clark stated yes it has with the staff, administration and students, there is a great relationship. Asst. Chief Stout reported the call volume has dropped tremendously. The day shift still does a walkthrough. Mayor Havens asked Councilman Morgan (Teacher) what his thoughts are on the SRO. Councilman Morgan stated there have been no problems, he is personable and respectful. Mayor Havens reported the vehicle was not anticipated. Chief Clark reported he still uses it for home to school and during summer when he works patrol. Councilman Curnutt asked if the School Supt. sees the value of it. Chief Clark stated he seems to. Councilman Curnutt asked if negotiation on the percentage of the dollar amount is ahead of us. Chief Clark stated he didn't know. Mayor Havens reported we have received four to five grants or there is grant money available. Elmsweller has the grant filled out. Asst. Chief Stout reported the Sheriff's Association has a grant available. He also reported Elmsweller, Frawley and himself will be going over the grant tomorrow. Mayor Havens reported we have another source of revenue and another source of expense. Chief Clark reported SRO Maddox done safety training and they are also implementing a program where you scan driver's license when you enter. Mayor Haven reported the issue that appeared before us two years ago was a monetary issue. The school didn't feel they could afford one and we worked through it in a very soft way. He also reported he would see a trend towards understanding the need to provide safety, opposed to the City and County doing it. Councilman Morgan commented that you see it more with hospitals and the cost of doing business. Chief Clark reported the School wanted to add football and basketball game, so we added that to the MOU. Mayor Havens asked if they are finding satisfaction. Chief Clark stated yes, and we sent him to the national conference, and he wants to stay up on it.

Mayor Havens reported Mr. Bob Edinger approached the office last week about Farmers Market time and using the parking lot on other days than what was approved. He advised him that we will leave it alone, no rules, so if space is available then let them do it. Chief Clark stated he would forward it to all the officers that the Farmers Market has permission to be there. Mayor Havens commented that we don't want to make an issue where there is none. If we develop a problem, then we will develop a rule. Mayor Havens asked Edinger if he was the Market Master. Edinger stated pretty much but he is okay with that. It was stated if you start up with too many rules and then it causes too many problems. The Market Master should set the rules. Edinger thanked Mayor Havens.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.

  
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