

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on April 9, 2024, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

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

Others: Mike Terry, Matt Quigley, Judy Coker, Patti Eliserio, Julie Osbon, and Diana Tomlinson.

Mayor Schmicker opened the April 9, 2024, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Ehman made a motion to approve the March 25, 2024, Executive Session Memorandum, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor. Councilman Ehman made a motion to approve the March 25, 2024, BOW minutes, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Mayor Schmicker asked the Board to consider adding the baseball parade street closure to the agenda. Councilman Kring made a motion to add the baseball parade street closure request to the agenda, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Street Closure – Tipton Main Street – Patti Eliserio: Ms. Patti Eliserio stated this request is for the Tipton Main Street Food Truck Concert Series for May 17th, June 21st, and July 19th. There was a brief discussion regarding the specific streets. Councilman Ehman made a motion to approve the Street Closure for Tipton Main Street on May 17th, June 21st, and July 19th, seconded by Councilman Kring, with all in favor.

Street Closure – Tipton Baseball Parade – Julie Osbon: Ms. Julie Osbon stated this is for the Annual Parade to kick off the season on April 20th. It is the same route we have done in the past. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the temporary closure of the parade route for Tipton Baseball on April 20th, seconded by Councilman Ehman, with all in favor.

Cemetery: Cemetery Manager Tomlinson commented there were seven burials, zero cremations, and five lots sold for \$3,500. She also commented that we sold our first Niche at \$2,500.

Park: Park Superintendent Tomlinson stated the goals and post were to be installed before the new asphalt at the basketball court. She also stated Baumgartner just informed her the asphalt wouldn't be done until June 28th. Tomlinson commented the fencing at the Plaza was installed and the bike rack, spheres, tables, and corn hole will be installed in the coming weeks. She also commented that she is getting estimates for the siding and new gutters for the maintenance shed at the park. Tomlinson stated they are done painting the restrooms and hoping to have them opened by the 15th of April. She also stated we are checking into a grant with the DNR to get trees for the Park, and Golf course. Park Superintendent Tomlinson commented the new piece of playground equipment was installed. She also commented she is getting a second estimate for the Park Drive and

parking lots to be paved. This will be a projected project in 2026. Mayor Schmicker asked Tomlinson to email him the timeline for the basketball courts.

Councilman Ehmas stated we need to let the Boys & Girls Club know about the streets when they do the Jefferson Street project.

Planning Department: Enforcement Division, Judy Coker stated Building Commissioner Niblick is not here but provided the Planning Reports. She also stated the BZA meets on Wednesday, and the Planning meets on Thursday. Enforcement Division Coker commented code enforcement on 122 Diehl, 624 Washington, and 606 Jefferson Street have been closed. She also commented the Tipton Senior Apts were sent a letter regarding the down light pole but the letter came back. Councilman Kring asked if there was a maintenance manager. Mayor Schmicker stated they have IHEDA tax credits and they are audited for this. There was a brief discussion regarding the Senior Apartments. There was also a discussion regarding 346 Columbia, 416 Harrison Street, 801 Oak Street, and 928 Oak Street. Mayor Schmicker stated regarding the "Watch List" we need to make sure there is movement on these items. Coker stated Red Brick the property owner had filed a state design release but there has been no movement since January 4th. Another property on the list is 116 W. Jefferson owned by Mike Benjamin and a state design release was filed for that property. There was also a brief discussion regarding White's property at 134 N. Main Street. It was stated to issue a letter to appear on April 22, 2024. The Board had a conversation regarding increasing the administrative fee for mowing and trash.

Street: Public Works Manager Terry commented that the garbage truck was in an accident, and everyone was fine. We will get the truck back this afternoon and the alignment will be checked tomorrow. He also commented that the crews will be back to spring-type work. Terry stated he ran the alleys himself and checked for potholes and extra trash. Councilman Kring asked him to write them down and send them to Coker. Public Works Manager Terry stated the new survey equipment we are using for inventory of signage etc. It could provide a lot of information that could be exported to GIS. There was a brief discussion regarding this piece of equipment and what it could provide on GIS. He also stated he would be interviewing for summer help. Public Works Manager Terry commented that Tree City has a certain function and that they will evaluate the inventory, and have a design plan. Mayor Schmicker stated there is a DNR grant for trees and there is no match but there are three phases to be met, canopy, mitigation, and replanting. He also stated he hopes we get this grant because we have lost over 70 trees between the Park and Golf course. It was also reported that the Tree Committee needs to give some education, especially on Main Street.

Councilman Kring brought up the alley between the old car wash and the Speedway, there is a pothole in the alley. There was a brief discussion regarding this property. Public Works Manager Terry stated he would talk to both Chiefs and get their thoughts. Councilman Kring stated he is open to whatever.

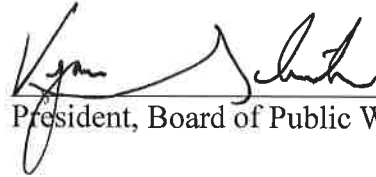
Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

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