

City of Tipton Board of Public Works and Safety meeting held on May 28, 2024, at Tipton City Hall, Council Chambers, Tipton.

Members: Mayor Schmicker, Councilman Kring, and Clerk-Treasurer Clark. Councilman Ehman was not present.

Others: Jeff Stout, Dani Hirtzel, Mike Terry, Joe Bitner, Matt Quigley, Rob Cochrane III, and Robert Hartley with Diocese of Lafayette.

Mayor Schmicker opened the May 28, 2024, BOW meeting.

Minutes: Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the May 13, 2024, BOW minutes, seconded by Mayor Schmicker, with all in favor.

Amend Agenda: Nothing to report.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business:

Street Closure – Diocese of Lafayette Indiana – July 12, 2024 – Robert Hartley: It was reported they would be walking from St. John’s to the Park and would be using the sidewalks. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Sidewalk closure in July, seconded by Mayor Schmicker, with all in favor.

Street Closure – Tipton on Tap Event – June 8, 2024 – Mike Terry: Mr. Terry stated this is the fourth year for the event. We would like to close Court Street and the County parking lots early in the morning on Saturday and open them back up around 7 p.m. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Court Street closure, seconded by Mayor Schmicker, with all in favor.

Street Closure – Friends of the Tipton Public Library – Sept.14, 2024 – Dani Hirtzel: Ms. Hirtzel stated they would like Madison Street closed from Main Street to Independence Street for a block party on Saturday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Kring made a motion to approve the Street Closure, seconded by Mayor Schmicker, with all in favor.


Fire: Chief Bitner asked if there were any questions on the April monthly report. Hearing none he stated Engine 11 had quite a few leaks in the pumps. It has been taken down off Brindlee Mountain and it’s out back of our building. He also stated Ladder 10’s air leak has been fixed. Chief Bitner commented that Lt. Crane taught a pumper operator class, and four personnel, Justin Webster, Matt Nead, Eli Crane, and Jordan Davis all passed the class. He also commented Lucas Clark and Ross Schulenburg have a live fire day training on Saturday. They will have the live fire day on Saturday and a test on Monday then they will graduate. Chief Bitner stated the Handtevy is stocked we got the video last Thursday and the mobile app was personalized. We also are doing hose testing and pump training videos. He also stated he will be starting on the 2025 budget.

Police: Chief Stout handed out the stats and stated traffic stops have risen. He stated he attended the Fifth Grade Dare Program, Officer Nichols, Lacy, and Detective Nunemacher are the Dare Officers. Chief Stout commented Sgt. Leisure brought K9 Meeko to the program to allow the kids to interact with Meeko. He also commented Officer Ludvigsen is off the FTO phase and was by himself last night, he has done a great job. Chief Stout stated the Pension Board approved Jackson Tunnel's hiring, all the information was sent to the State. He also stated Officer Huffman is in his fourth week at the Academy. Chief Stout commented we will have a BOW interview in a couple of weeks, and this will make us full staff. Councilman Kring asked where the lateral was from. Chief Stout stated he didn't want to say it yet, but the individual reached out to us.

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

Submitted by Tamera Clark, Clerk-Treasurer.

  
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