MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA

MEETING BY ZOOM

July 7, 2021

5:00PM

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana met in regular session, in person, at 5:00 pm on July 7, 2021, with the following members present: Board Member Bill Gornto, and Board Member Ron Dausch and Mayor Hewitt. City Clerk -Treasurer Susan Rylands with City Attorney Dustin Kern and other interested parties and department heads were present.

Motion was made by Ron Dausch, seconded by, Bill Gornto to suspend the rules and dispense with the reading and correcting of Journal of minutes of regular meeting on June 22, 2021, and accept the minutes as written. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to accept the payment of Claims, in the amount of \$212,552.75 was made by Bill Gornto, seconded by Ron Dausch. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to accept the payment of Regular Payroll for July 2, 2021, in the amount of \$190,648.10 was made by Ron Dausch, seconded by Bill Gornto. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to accept payment of Monthly Payroll for June 25, 2021, In the amount of \$5,768.37 was made by Bill Gornto, seconded by Ron Dausch. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion to accept payment of Pension Payroll for June 25, 2021, in the amount of \$84,199.12 was made by Ron Dausch, seconded by Bill Gornto. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS: Tabled from last meeting on June 22, 2021, was a request by Kevin Palmer, on behalf of Calvary Temple Church to use the Riverwalk grassy area to pitch a tent and to have 4 or 5 campers with the tent. After contacting Mr. Palmer, it was agreed he would move his meeting to Maconaquah Park

at the pavilion area. Mr. Palmer agreed to pay the rental fee for the use of the pavilion and to donate money to repair any grass that was hurt or killed from them. Based on the new agreement the motion to approve this request was made by Ron Dausch, seconded by Bill Gornto. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

*City Attorney, Dustin Kern made a statement that he misspoke on the number of times the properties would be up for bid. He corrected his earlier statement to say that there would be additional round of bidding in the case of multiple bids not just the first round of bidding. *

NEW BUSINESS:

Michael White, on behalf of Vengeance MC, requested to block off the road on Clay St. from 8th street to 5th street, for Backpack for Kids on July 25, 2021, from 6AM to 8PM. With no issues from traffic, police, or fire the motion was made by Ron Dausch, seconded by Bill Gornto to approve this request. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

Chief Sofianos, on behalf of the Peru Police Department, requested that Brodie Stith be hired as an Probationary Police Officer. Mr. Stith has successfully completed the testing process, passed Public Safety and has been approved by Indiana Public Retirement System. Mr. Stith would have the hire date of July 12, 2021. The motion was made by Bill Gornto, seconded by Ron Dausch, to approve the hiring of Brodie Stith. All said Aye.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

Chief Hawk stepped forward to give an update on fire station #2. He had solicited quotes for remodeling of the building. The lowest quote submitted was by Burns Building for \$146,000. Chief Hawk would keep the board updated on the progress of station #2.

ADJOURNMENT: Will no other business brought forward the motion to adjourn was made by Bill Gornto, seconded by Ron Dausch. All said Aye.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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Miles Hewitt, Mayor, City of Peru, IN

Attest:

Susan Rylands, Clerk-Treasurer

City of Peru, IN