

BOARD OF WORKS

January 5, 2015

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken

PRESENT: Mayor Gary Herbert, Darrell Poling, Bob King, Linda Oldham and Steve Simmonds.

Darrell Poling moved minutes for the regular meeting of December 1, 2014 as presented and Bob King seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Mayor Herbert requested the agenda be amended to allow **Charlotte Bailey of Delta Theta Tau Sorority 5K Run/Walk Approval**. Linda Oldham moved to amend agenda and Darrell Poling seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Mark Klosterkemper – Street Commissioner and **City Attorney Chris Stephen** opened bids for stone from New Point Stone Company and fuel from Premier Ag. Mark Klosterkemper doesn't want to lock in sand bids but recommended accepting stone bid from New Point. Linda Oldham moved to accept New Point Stone Bid for stone and exclude accepting sand bid and Steve Simmonds seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Mayor Herbert presented City Attorney Contract for 2015 for approval. Contract will remain the same hourly rate is being requested at 10.00 per hour for \$135.00 per hour. Chad Smith will be the additional attorney to attend if Chris Stephen is not available. Darrell Poling moved to accept attorney contract for 2015 and Linda Oldham seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Brenden Bridges presented newest Probationary Officer **Mitch Tuttle**. Mitch Tuttle thanked board for the opportunity to work in his hometown.

Scott Chasteen – Fire Chief requested to use Department of Natural Resource Grant money to purchase equipment for the Kubota making it a small off road fire truck. Quotes for the equipment will hopefully be available at February's meeting. Scott Chasteen also provided fire runs report for 2014 to the board.

Charlotte Bailey – President of the Delta Theta Tau Sorority requested to use city streets on April 18, 2015 for a 5K Run/Walk. Bob King moved to allow city streets to be used for the 5K and Linda Oldham seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Mayor Herbert requested an amendment to the agenda to discuss **Worker's Compensation Insurance**. Darrell Poling moved to allow the amendment to the agenda and Bob King seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed. An executive session was held

to discuss the current issues with Worker's Compensation costs. **Kevin Krekeler, Agent with Neace Lukens** was also present to answer any questions about making the change from the current assigned risk company.

Darrell Poling moved to approve the Worker's Compensation contract with Indiana Public Employers Plan/Downey Insurance pending review by the City Attorney and receiving a letter from him to make sure there is no penalty for cancelling the other policy with the assigned risk carrier and Linda Oldham seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed.

Mayor Herbert was approached by American Cancer Society possibly receiving approval to hang a large banner across Lincoln Street. City Attorney answered questions by the board but will look into it further. Most members were not in favor of the liability of hanging such a large sign.

Mark Klosterkemper recommended not accepting the bid for fuel because of the changes Premier Ag made to the bid form. Steve Simmonds moved to not accept bid from **Premier Ag for a non-responsive bid** and Darrell Poling seconded; voice vote recorded all ayes no nays; motion passed. Chris Stephen recommended that fuel bid be resubmit for letting. Mark Klosterkemper will advertise the fuel bid and schedule a meeting.

Trash Collection schedule is on the City's website.

Scott Chasteen would like to schedule board of works executive session to have interviews for applicants.

Special Meeting will be scheduled depending on when fuel bids can be opened.

With nothing further to come before the board, Linda Oldham moved to adjourn at 6:00 pm.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer