

BOARD OF WORKS MEETING
MARCH 3, 2008
TIME: 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Gary Herbert, Steve Simmonds and Bill Wenning.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

All Board members were present for roll call.

Minutes were approved.

Sealed bids were opened for the sale of the 1993 Ford Truck from the Fire Department from the following bidders:

1. David Burbridge – Greensburg, In. - \$700.
2. Mike Bechelli – Elizabethtown, In. - \$1150.
3. Al McLaughlin – Greensburg, In. - \$300.
4. Mike Wells – Greensburg, In. - \$1050.
5. Larry Harrellson – Osgood, In. - \$677.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Bill Wenning to award the sale of the 1993 Ford Truck to the highest bidder being Mike Bechelli for \$1150. Ayes Steve Simmonds, Bill Wenning and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Fire Chief Scott Chasteen came before the Board requesting the promotion of Craig Johannigman from probationary to first class firefighter effective April 2, 2008. He stated the reasoning for requesting this promotion at this meeting is because the April Board of Works meeting would be held after the one year probationary period has been completed.

Motion by Bill Wenning and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve the requested promotion of Craig Johannigman from probationary to first class firefighter effective April 2, 2008. Ayes Bill Wenning, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Fire Chief Scott Chasteen presented a purchase order for approval to close out the Fema Grant monies they had just received for \$70,895. These are Federal Funds for the exhaust system to be installed in the truck area of the

fire department. Hoses will be attached to all trucks to rid the area of the exhaust fumes when the trucks are started.

Scott also explained to the Board that they are asking for permission to apply for two and maybe three other grants. One grant would be for an 800MHZ radio system. These radios run \$600 a piece and they would need ten radios. The second grant would be for an apparatus fire truck and the third grant would be for equipment. There would be a local match of 5 or 10%.

The department has applied for a security Knox Key Box grant for the fire trucks. They have received information about the grant, but have not received word if they have been awarded the grant.

Board approves applying for these grants.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Bill Wenning to approve sewer adjustments for:

- 1. account #107964 - \$609.30**
- 2. account #106678 - \$486.17**
- 3. account #117712 - \$317.63**
- 4. account #108564 - \$394.34**

Ayes Steve Simmonds, Bill Wenning and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Bill Wenning to approve the Discharge Permit Contract for Decatur Hills. Ayes Steve Simmonds, Bill Wenning and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Motion by Bill Wenning and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve Partial payment request no. 4 for wastewater treatment facility improvements project. Ayes Bill Wenning, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Darren Burkhart of HNTB handed out and reviewed a status report of all current projects: West Side Interceptor and Regional Lift Station, Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements, Upland Elevated Water Storage Tank, Upland Water Main Extension, Phase 2A Waterworks Improvements and Division 2 Plant and Pump Station Upgrades and Flatrock Raw Water Main.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Bill Wenning to approve the purchase in the amount of \$1391.92 for emergency strobe lights for five trucks at the Street/Sanitation department. Ayes Steve Simmonds, Bill Wenning and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Street Commissioner Ralph Land introduced Mark Klosterkemper to the Board as the new Street Commissioner. This Friday will be Ralph's last day on the job.

Mayor Herbert announced a retirement party luncheon will be held Friday at City Hall from 11:30 – 1:00 for Ralph Land and Bruce Copple. The cost is \$5 per person.

Motion by Bill Wenning and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve request to purchase ammunition for the year in the amount of \$3,527.60. Ayes Bill Wenning, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Police Chief Brian Heaton and Stacey Chasteen updated the Board on the backup information. Stacey informed the Board that it was more cost effective to backup weekly rather than daily and the reason being there was not always new information being added daily.

It was reported of criminal activity at the new construction at the water plant. Stacey Chasteen has put out a memo for more patrolling in the area.

Motion by Bill Wenning and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve the purchase of a new firearm for the new patrolman replacing Bruce Copple in the amount of \$609. Ayes Bill Wenning, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:07 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____
