

Board of Public Works and Safety
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Steve Barnett presiding. Board members Ken Austin & Tina Gross answered roll call.

Chief of Police Kirby Cochran, Fire Chief Joshua Snyder, Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner, Sewer Billing Office Manager Sherry Phillips, DPW Superintendent Sally Brown, IT Director Rick Littleton, Community Development Director Krista Linke, City Engineer Mark Richards, Street Commissioner/Fleet Manager Brett Jones, Clerk Treasurer Jan Jones, and City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also in attendance.

Mayor Barnett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcements & Public Comments

There were no Announcements or Public Comments.

Consent Agenda

Mayor Barnett presented the consent agenda for approval.

1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held October 7, 2024
2. Board of Works Claims.
 - #100724 BOW Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$50,152.93
 - #100824 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$146,237.997
 - #101024 RDC-TIF Contracts in the amount of \$49,369.76
 - #101424 BOW-Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$329,806.26
 - #101524 Sewer Contracts/Utilities in the amount of \$217,356.52
 - #101924 Sewer General Obligations in the amount of \$49,202.77
 - Separate Payroll in the amount of \$4,572.75
 - Gross Payroll in the amount of \$516,187.56
 - #102024 BOW General Obligations in the amount of \$143,392.40

Mr. Austin made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Ms. Gross. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

New Business

Request approval and execution of Change Orders 2 & 3 for the East Jefferson Street Sidewalk Project - City Engineer Mark Richards stated Change Order 2 is for a change from sod to mulch seeding at a reduction in cost of \$2,984.35. Change Order 3 is an increase of \$2,841.02 for additional milling and patching for ADA curb ramps. For the entire scope of the project, this results in a total change of approximately \$4,600.00. We are projected to finish under budget. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve and execute Change Orders 2 & 3 for the East Jefferson Street Sidewalk Project, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request approval and execution of Change Order 01 for the 2024 Alley Reconstruction Project - City Engineer Mark Richards said this is the last change order and reflects final quantities, as well as milling, patching, and surface overlay on Herriot St. Initial contract price, was \$267,030.00; the cost increase is \$41,942.02 which is within the allowable amount. The new contract price is \$309,024.02. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve and execute Change Order 01 for the 2024 Alley Reconstruction Project and for the Mayor to sign on the Board's behalf, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Request the following Subdivision Performance Bonds be accepted for Kingsbridge, Section 2 - Assistant City Engineer Matt McElroy read the following Performance Bonds:
#5769465: Earthwork within Regulated Floodway Limits - \$20,496.00
#5769468: Erosion Control - \$105,576.00

Ms. Gross made a motion to accept the presented Subdivision Performance Bonds for Kingsbridge, Section 2, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Acceptance and execution of the following documents related to Kingsbridge, Section 2: Sanitary Sewer Service Special Agreement, Earthwork & Paving Inspection Service Agreement, Storm & Sanitary Sewer Inspection Service Agreement - Assistant City Engineer Matt McElroy presented this information on behalf of Platinum Properties Management Company. Ms. Gross made a motion to accept and execute the presented documents related to Kingsbridge, Section 2: Sanitary Sewer Service Special Agreement, Earthwork & Paving Inspection Service Agreement, Storm & Sanitary Sewer Inspection Service Agreement, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Other Business

2025 City of Franklin Redevelopment Commission Annual Spending Plan - Community Development Director Krista Linke reminded that this is a **plan** and unforeseen circumstances could necessitate changes. Ms. Linke reviewed the document's financial information (available on the online agenda attachment). This is a new report required by the State Board of Accounts. Ms. Linke gave a brief update on future projects and their financing and took questions from the Board. There is no need for a vote; it is just for the Board's information.

Request to File Liens on Unkempt Property - Mayor Barnett presented the following:

106 King Arthur Dr. 41-08-15-032-016.000-009
986 Canary Creek Dr. 41-08-15-012-016.000-009
932 Gristmill Dr. 41-08-12-032-005.000-018
45 Crescent St. 41-08-11-033-118.000-009
4122 Jason Ave. 41-05-28-044-096.000-029
2426 Woodfield Blvd 41-08-03-033-020.000-009
599 Young St. 41-08-14-014-098.000-009
278 N. Walnut St. 41-08-14-031-124.000-009
2337 Cedarmill Dr. 41-08-12-022-047.000-018
2401 N Morton St. 41-08-10-011-019.000-009
690 Lake Shore Rd 41-08-22-041-064.000-009

Mayor Barnett made a motion to approve as presented, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Department Reports / Staff Reports

City Engineer Mark Richards stated the proposed name of the new bypass would be Graham Bypass. This will differentiate it from the already-named Graham Rd. and those addresses. Mr. Richards asked for Board approval and also asked Attorney Gray if this needed to go before the Plan Commission. In response, Ms. Gray said she thought it originated with the Plan Commission, and then the Board approved it. However, it was not discussed at the last Plan Commission meeting, and Ms. Gray asked that it be put on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled Plan Commission meeting. She also clarified that it will be Graham Bypass, *not* Graham Road Bypass. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve naming the new section of Graham Rd., Graham Bypass, seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried. Mayor Barnett asked Mr. Richards if the Graham/Paul Hand roundabout would be open around Thanksgiving; Mr. Richards said yes, but it is weather-dependent.

Street Commissioner/Fleet Manager Brett Jones said the second round of Office Manager interviews will take place tomorrow. Four candidates are being interviewed.

Community Development Director Krista Linke requested two parking lot spaces be reserved for Managed Services Partners, 55 ½ East Court St., for Wednesday morning around 9:00-11:00 AM. Ms. Gross made a motion to approve reserving two parking spaces on Wednesday morning from 9:00-11:00 AM at 55 ½ E. Court St., seconded by Mr. Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried. Ms. Linke also updated the Board on City Council Ordinance 24-08 regarding the EDIT funds moving to a three-year plan.

Parks Department Superintendent Chip Orner wanted everyone to know that Halloween Town is this weekend. On Saturday, there's trick-or-treating with downtown businesses and vehicle trunks, the Dachshund Derby at 2:30 PM, Sammy Terry at the Amphitheater, and Corey Cox performing there from 6:00-8:00 PM.

Board Member Ken Austin said Porchtober has been a big success. Also, a citizen contacted him about Rumpke repeatedly picking up trash pickup early in the morning and requested we investigate it again.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Jones, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled: 10/24/24

Steve Barnett, Mayor

Attest:

Jan Jones, Clerk-Treasurer