

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

January 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 8:30 A.M. All members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on January 8, 2019, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote,

Mr. Williams moved to approve the claims as presented, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Police Chief Mark Weidner asked the Board to extend a conditional offer of employment to Spencer Suits. It would be contingent on his completion of the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy Basic Course, the Shelbyville Police Department Field Training Program, and a one year probationary period. His hire date will be determined by the next availability in the Law Enforcement Academy basic course which is projected for mid May 2019. Mr. Finkel moved to approve the conditional offer, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Fire Chief Tony Logan asked permission to replace two firefighters who have left or are retiring soon. They are Andrew Goodpastor and Jim Young. The replacements are Scott Robbins and Paul Schoentrup, with the hope of hiring them on or around February 4, 2019. He said it would be pending 1977 State Pension approval. Mr. Finkel moved to approve the request, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

On a new dog bite case, Mayor DeBaun asked the dog bite victim to come forward, and tell what happened. Linda Lucas, 911 Hale Rd., Lot 22, said she was walking on Hale Rd. when a Chihuahua came up barking at her. Then, the dog bit her on her calf. She said she went to the Office to report the incident, and said she had a tetanus shot in 2014. Linda went to the hospital to be treated, but the wound wasn't covered because the hospital staff told her they don't like doing that for animal bites, because the stitches hold in bacteria. She said she has sent her bills on to Medicare for payment, but she hasn't heard anything back from them. Mr. and Mrs. Albino Mejia-Damian, 911 Hale Rd., Lot 126, the owners of the dog, said he was bringing in trash cans when their two dogs got out and one went after Linda. Mrs. Mejia said she was asleep when the incident happened, and spoke for her husband, who only spoke Spanish. She said both dogs have had their rabies shots, and neither has ever caused any problems. Mr. Finkel said he saw the dog at the Animal Shelter, and it was very docile. Mr. Williams said it's important that the dogs are always on a leash when they are outside, and felt the Mejia's should pay for Linda's expenses, which Mrs. Mejia said they would. Mr. Williams moved to release the dog, and pay the Shelter fees and expenses incurred because of the dog bite. Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

There being no further business, Mr. Finkel moved to adjourn.



Tom DeBaun
Mayor

ATTEST:



Frank Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer