

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
JANUARY 24, 2013 10:00AM**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Arnold. Member present: Albert McPhearson. Member Absent: Jim Robertson. City Attorney, Jim Wilson was present for the meeting.

Arnold stated he had accepted the resignation letter of board member Jim Robertson effective January 24, 2013. Arnold thanked Jim for his service on the board.

Arnold made a motion to table the Wastewater Long Term Control Plan until a full board could be set; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor.

Don Stephens, representing Don Stephens Timber, presented the board with a quote to reimburse the city for trees being cut down along Duck Creek next to the Noble property. Wilson questioned how the dollar figure of the quote came about. Stephens stated it was based on pallet grade wood. McPhearson stated he would like the trees marked before cutting so the board can look at which trees are being removed. Arnold made a motion to accept the quote with the monies going toward replacement trees at the park; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor

Wastewater employee, Alice Smith presented a quote from Heidolph to refurbish the autoclave at the plant and include one year of maintenance for \$2,362.72. Smith stated this was more cost effective than replacing the unit. Smith felt with the refurbishing the unit will last for quite some time. McPhearson made a motion to accept the quote; seconded by Arnold. All in favor.

Arnold stated the city is receiving monies from Food and Beverage Tax. The city is looking at the possible purchase of the Leeson Building with these funds. Arnold made a motion to proceed with possible purchase; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor.

A contract between Martin Drafting & Design and the City of Elwood was presented to the board for approval. This contract is for consulting services on the design phase of the Leeson Building and the feasibility of the project. Arnold made a motion to accept the contract; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor.

Arnold made a motion to table the agreement with Ken Ryden as Ken was not present for the meeting; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor.

Sam Hanna, Police Chief, approached the board concerning the possible hiring of a new officer. Hanna recommended to the board they offer Lucas Traylor conditional employment pending

approval from PERF. Traylor is currently in the reserve program and scored high on all testing with the department. McPhearson made a motion to offer Traylor conditional employment pending PERF approval; seconded by Arnold. All in favor.

Arnold made a motion to adjourn; seconded by McPhearson. All in favor; meeting adjourned.

Ron E. Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer