

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2017 5:30PM**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Jones. Members present: Kelli Boyland, Mark Crim, Kim Everson and Tim Roby. City attorney, Jeff Graham was present for the meeting.

A moment of silence was observed for bailiff, Dave Morgan.

Minutes from the August 7, 2017 regular meeting were presented to the board for approval. Everson made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

Memorandum from the August 18, 2017 executive meeting was presented to the board for approval. Boyland made a motion to approve the memorandum; seconded by Everson. Crim voted nay.

A Conflict of interest was presented to the board for approval. Roby made a motion to accept the conflict; seconded by Everson. Boyland abstained.

Claims for the city and utilities were presented to the board for approval. The August claims totaled \$1,195,262.28. Crim made a motion to approve the claims; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

Utility adjustments were presented to the board for approval. Water adjustments totaled (\$2,001.80), Wastewater totaled (\$7,608.94), and Trash totaled \$100.58 for a grand total of (\$9,510.16). Crim made a motion to accept the adjustments; seconded by Boyland. All in favor.

Police Chief, Jason Brizendine presented the board with SOP's for the new body cameras for their information.

Façade application for 2Guyz Boutique for Pets to repair front entrance and remove awning in the amount of \$4,057.50 was presented to the board. Boyland made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Crim. All in favor.

Wastewater Superintendent, Josh Ginder presented the board with an agreement with Strand for the engineering on the South B street Sewer Replacement. Boyland made a motion to accept the agreement; seconded by Everson. All in favor.

RESOLUTION 2017-01 – RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TRANSFER OF REAL ESTATE.
This resolution is to transfer property of the city to the ERC for further sale or development. Everson made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-01; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

A lease for the vacant lot at 1801 South B Street in the amount of \$1 per year was presented to the board for approval. The vacant lot will be leased and maintained by the VFW for parking purposes. Boyland made a motion to approve the lease; seconded by Everson. All in favor.

An agreement between Miller-Huggins and the Elwood Court for copier maintenance in the amount of \$36.00 monthly was presented to the board for approval. Crim made a motion to approve the agreement; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

An agreement between Miller-Huggins and the Elwood Court for copier maintenance in the amount of \$450.00 yearly was presented to the board for approval. Crim made a motion to approve the agreement; seconded by Boyland. All in favor.

Mayor Jones read a statement regarding the police department prior to public comment.

Graham read the Indiana Code on false informing.

Former officer, John Davis spoke regarding his treatment and broken promises by the administration.

Resident, Derkye Pierce questioned if the executive meeting were being kept private for the sake of families involved.

Pierce also asked how long after a vehicle is tagged are they being pulled. Chief Brizendine stated there is a twenty day wait before pulling.

Christy Durm questioned the board as to why the evidence she brought forward regarding an officer mysteriously disappeared.

Resident, Mike Fraizer does not understand the treatment his daughter has received after coming forward with claims against an officer.

Rob Wright questioned as to why the police department is doing goat checks on his goats that are not in the city.

Resident, Marsha Pierce stated that the city does have some good officers and the city does have some problems to fix but the community needs to come together to fix them.

Boyland stated that not all good guys make good cops.

Retired officer, Carl Ritter stated that he took pride in his profession and you need to have local officers that know the local people.

Resident, Burl Tyner stated he had a problem with the chief not hiring locally.

Marcy Fry stated she was proud to be from Elwood and of the Elwood officers.

Joseph Metz stated the police department was not trustworthy.

Boyland made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Roby. All in favor; meeting adjourned.

Todd Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer