

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
TRAINING ROOM - MUNICIPAL BUILDING
SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 5:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Donald Tucker. Members in attendance at the meeting are Board of Works members: Ken Badger, Roger Towner and Mayor Tucker. Also in attendance was Allison Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer.

This meeting is being held to have discussion on the animal shelter contract explained Tucker.

Kane asked how the budget or lack of a 2016 budget being passed if the animal shelter will be able to be funded by what the city has agreed to pay. Atwood explained the budget will have to be revisited, but she felt there was not a huge increase and the City of Elwood will be able to hold their end of the proposed contract.

The Heart of Hoosier Land Animal Shelter started with discussion on the remaining unanswered questions on the contract. Ken Badger asked what the hours of operation were and if they had obtained partial liability insurance.

The Heart of Hoosier Land board believes 3pm-7pm Monday – Friday. Saturday the board hours are not sure on the hours and 3pm-7pm Sunday. The board has been in contact with insurance agents but it is not complete.

More discussion was made on the different aspects and the contract and the feral cat program.

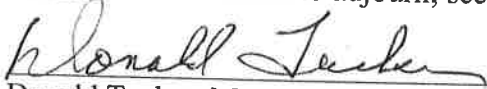
Larry Watson asked the Board of Works what happens if the Animal Board doesn't work or raise enough money. Atwood explained it would then convert to a dog pound. Mr. Watson also explained that a majority of the residents on 14th Street are not happy with the shelter and he knows it will be loud when maximum animal capacity is reached. Kane explained the shelter is full currently. Mr. Watson said he was very surprised because it is not loud.

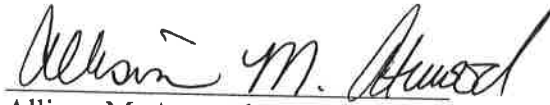
Sandy Ratliff wants to know who will maintain the area around the shelter because it is on park property. Sarah Huffman explained that she will go to the park board and discuss this.

Atwood explained that a phone line will be at the shelter on Thursday. The Animal Board asked who was to pay the bill. Atwood explained it should be the shelters responsibility because we already pay the Animal Control's phone. The Heart of Hoosier Land board asked to cancel the phone line to see if they can find a cheaper route.

Tucker requested they take some time to get a new contracts and have another meeting on October 26, 2015 at 5:00. The board of works agreed along with the shelter members.

Tucker made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Badger. All in favor; meeting adjourned.


Donald Tucker, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Allison M. Atwood, Clerk-Treasurer