

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA,**

May 16, 2023

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:00 May 16, 2023, with the following members present: Mayor Miles Hewitt and Board members Matthew Jelenek and Ron Dausch, Deputy Clerk Lori Hawk, City Attorney Dustin Kern. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties.

A motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to amend the minutes from May 2, 2023, to correct the timeline for Nancy Eisbrenner's request to next month, rather than the next meeting. This item will be placed on the June 6, 2023, agenda. The amended minutes were approved.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made to amend the agenda by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to correct the amount of claims presented to the Board of Works from \$83,450.42 to \$83,950.42. Motion Carried.

Payment of Claims:	\$ 83,950.42	Motion-Jelenek	Second-Dausch
Regular Payroll	\$ 200,464.81	Motion-Dausch	Second-Jelenek
Pension Payroll	\$ -		
Crossing Guard Payroll	\$		

MOTIONS CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

Request from Nancy Eisbrenner- Correction: Tabled until June 6 Meeting.

Request from Bridgett Richardson-Dalton- After the previous meeting, Bridgett presented an alternate route form the Through the Trees Overdose Awareness Walk. The walk will take place on August 26th from 4pm to 5pm. It will start at West City Ball Park, to West Main Street, continue East on Main Street to Holman, South on Holman to Canal Street. The group will be on the public sidewalks and not in the street. A motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to approve the request as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

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NEW BUSINESS:

Open Bids for the City of Peru Annual Fireworks Display-One bid was received. Forman Blasters Pyrotechnics submitted a bid in the amount of \$9500.00. Motion made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek to award the bid to Forman Blasters.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by the Peru Police Department- Peru Police Chief Dan Sofianos presented a request to hire Colby Crow as a probationary officer with the Peru Police Department. Motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by Peru Police Department – Peru Police Chief Dan Sofianos presented a request to change the status of Probationary Office Andrew Dougherty to full time with the Peru Police Department. Motion was made by Board Member Jelenek, seconded by Board Member Dausch, to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by Peru Fire Department- Peru Fire Chief Erick Hawk presented a request to accept the resignation of Evan Coffman from the Peru Fire Department effective May 21, 2023. Motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by Nate Hagan for Street Closure – A request was made by St. Charles Borromeo Church for a walk on June 11, 2023. The walk would begin at St. Charles heading south to Main Street, East on Main Street to Broadway, North on Broadway to 7th Street, West on 7th Street to Miami Street and returning to the church. All participants will be limited to public sidewalks, Police presence is requested at intersections for safety. Motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED

A motion was made by Board Member Jelenek, seconded by Board Member Dausch, to amend the agenda and add a request by Jim Tidd representing MCEDA.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by Jim Tidd for H&R Block Building – Jim Tidd requested that the sidewalk and a few parking places around the H & R Block Building be temporarily closed for safety reasons as tuck pointing and brick repairs are completed. Motion was made by Board Member Dausch, seconded by Board Member Jelenek, to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED

COMMUNICATIONS:

Councilperson Peter Sahaidachny spoke to the Board with a request to waive a fine for overgrown grass for one of his constituents. The Board suggested he set up a meeting with the Code Enforcement Department for further discussion.

With nothing further to come before this board, Motion was made by Board Member Jelenek, seconded by Board Member Dausch, to adjourn the meeting.

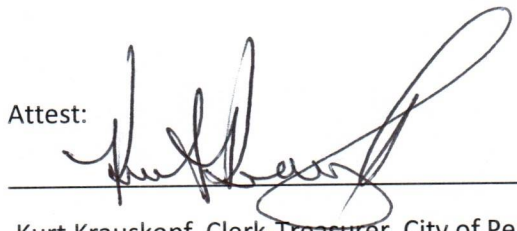
MOTION CARRIED



Miles Hewitt, Mayor

City of Peru, Indiana

Attest:



Kurt Krauskopf Clerk-Treasurer City of Peru Indiana