

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

**February 6, 2024**

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The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:00 February 6, 2024, with the following members present: Mayor Don Sturch, Board members Jim Walker and Jeff Butts, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Shalayna Correll, City Attorney Dustin Kern. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties.

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A motion was made by Board Member Butts, seconded by Board Member Walker to approve the minutes from the January 16 and January 23, 2023, meetings.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Payment of Claims Corrected 1/2	\$ 440,757.27	Motion-Walker Second Butts
Regular Payroll:	\$ 202,269.54 + \$204,958.41	Motion- Walker Second Butts
Crossing Guard/City Council Pay	\$ 6551.00	Motion-Walker Second Butts
Fire/Police Pension	\$ 90,598.60	Motion-Butts Second Walker

**MOTIONS CARRIED**

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**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

Chief Feller requested that the Board approve the promotions of James Ulery and Jeremy Brindle to the rank of Lieutenant, and Colten Pitner to the rank of Captain. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Butts to approve the promotions.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Chief Feller asked the Board to approve a contract for retiring officer Bill Raber. He will be retiring at the end of the week, and a replacement has not been trained. The contract will be for the remainder of the **year for** \$50,000, and he will be an independent contractor, not an employee of the city. He will continue with his

current responsibilities while training a replacement. Board Member Butts moved, seconded by Board Member Walker, to approve the contract.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Sandy Chittum representing the Chamber of Commerce presented a request for approval of the dates for the Farmer’s Market in 2024. The market will run from June through September on Saturday mornings. The traffic department said they would work with them as they have in the past. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Butts, to approve the request.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Board Member Butts moved to amend the agenda and consider the bids for the paving projects for 2024 that were taken under advisement at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Board Member Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Clerk Treasurer reported that the bids were as follows:

- E and B Paving      \$743,115.53
- Gaunt and Son      \$650,726.15

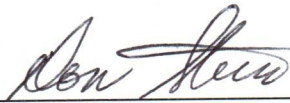
Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Butts, to approve the bid from Gaunt and Son.

**MOTION CARRIED**

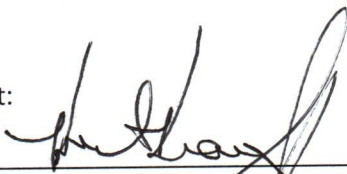
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With nothing further, Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Butts to adjourn.

**MOTION CARRIED**

  
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Don Sturch, Mayor  
City of Peru, Indiana

Attest:   
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Kurt Krauskopf Clerk Treasurer  
City of Peru Indiana