

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF ELWOOD, MADISON COUNTY, INDIANA
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING
OCTOBER 7, 2019 6:00PM**

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

Minutes from the September 9, 2019 regular meeting were presented to the board for approval. Crim made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

Claims for the city and utilities were presented to the board for approval. The August claims totaled \$1,607,086.45. Crim made a motion to approve the claims; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

Additional claims were also presented to the board. A claim for Swank Production in the amount of \$435.00 for the movie that will be shown around the fountain. The claim will be paid for out of donations from the Elwood Fire Union, Smart Union (Sheet Metal Union), and the Elwood FOP. Boyland made a motion to approve the claim; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

Another additional claim was presented to the board from the building and planning department for stamps. The claim was for \$195.00. Crim made a motion to approve the claim; seconded by Boyland. All in favor.

Contracts from CSI/Garman Law Offices was presented to the board by, Utility Manager, Rose Tomlinson. These contracts are for the collection services for utility billing and she also spoke on behalf of the fire department with their ambulance billing. Crim made a motion to approve the utility contract for Garman Law Offices; seconded by Roby. All in favor. Crim made a motion to approve the contract for Garman Law Offices and the City of Elwood Fire Department; seconded by Boyland. All in favor.

Kelli Boyland, Animal Shelter Liaison, stated that the grand opening of Mitzy's Morsels was a success with close to 2,500 pounds of cat and dog food distributed. Boyland also provided an update on the animal shelter in general. Boyland also wanted to discuss that the Elwood Animal Shelter is a no kill shelter. Boyland explained that a "no kill" status is awarded to shelters that have a live release rate of 90% or more. Boyland also said that they do not euthanize dogs because of aggression.

Morgan Rice also spoke about the animal shelter.

Kerry Kane then approached the Board of Works representing the Heart of Hoosierland Humane Society, and also explained she was a volunteer at the Elwood Animal Shelter. Kane explained that she wants to help the Elwood Animal Shelter to start using the 5013C Heart of Hoosierland Humane Society. Kane also expressed her feelings on certain dogs at the shelter that she does not feel need to be euthanized and should receive a second opinion on the dogs personality traits.

Vickie Savage, member of the Heart of Hoosierland Humane Society, also approached the board asking that they come to an agreement or sign a memorandum so that all of the animal societies could work together for the betterment of the animals.

Mayor Jones, asked Jeff Graham, to work on a wavier to allow a second dog psychologist come in to give another opinion on the aggressive dogs.

An agreement between the court department and Boyce Systems was presented for the annual fee of \$2,500.00. Boyland made a motion to approve the contract for Boyce System; seconded by Roby. All in favor.


A contract was presented from Clerk-Treasurer, Allison Roby, for Peterson Consulting Services, to do the cities asset management reporting for \$5,125.00. Boyland made a motion to approve the contract; seconded by Roby. All in favor.

A façade improvement grant for the Finton Buildings in the amount of \$2,152.50 was presented to the board for approval. Boyland made a motion to approve the grant; seconded by Crim. All in favor.

Boyland made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Crim. All in favor.



Todd Jones, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Allison M. Roby, Clerk-Treasurer