



## MINUTES of December 28, 2020 Regular Meeting

### Board of Public Works & Safety and Stormwater Board

Held 2:00 p.m. Goshen Police & Court Building, 111 East Jefferson Street, Goshen, Indiana

Present: Chair Jeremy Stutsman, Member Mary Nichols, Member Mike Landis

Absent: None

Minutes of July 6, 2020 were presented.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve the minutes of July 6, 2020 as presented. Passed 3-0**

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve the agenda as presented. Passed 3-0**

#### Proposed Sensory Trail Grant – Agreement with ADEC, Inc.

Environmental Resilience Educator and Grant Writer Theresa Sailor presented the packet memo.

Discussion, including: possible locations at Fidler Pond, Reith Center; app available to anyone; board member words of affirmation of project; grant result expected by the end of February.

Sailor announced a Public Hearing to be held at 10 a.m. January 4, 2021. Added that the City has “no cash” in the project.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve the Goshen Sensory Trail Grant Agreement with ADEC, Inc. and give permission for the Mayor to sign. Passed 3-0**

#### City Court Agreement with Elkhart Legal Aid Services, Inc.

City Attorney Bodie Stegelmann presented the packet memo. Board discussion including: change of rate structure, increase in hourly rate, and possible reduction in number of hours required due to remote/virtual activities.

Mayor said \$15-20k/year has been recent fee; possible increase and possible additional appropriation to council in 2021. Stegelmann said new agreement will be required in 2022.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve the Agreement with Elkhart Legal Aid Services, Inc. for public defender services in Goshen City Court for the calendar year 2021 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the proposed agreement. Passed 3-0**



Agreement for Employee Assistance with New Avenues, Inc.

Legal Compliance Administrator Shannon Marks presented the packet memo.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Agreement with New Avenues Inc. to provide an employee assistance program. Passed 3-0**

Subscription Agreement with West Publishing Corp.

Marks presented the packet memo.

**Landis/Nichols moved to ratify the Mayor's execution of the attached Subscription Agreement with West Publishing Corporation for printed Indiana Code books and updates. Passed 3-0**

Resolution 2020-34:

Documenting the Submission of the 2020 Annual Certifications by City of Goshen Elected Officers

Marks presented the packet memo.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve and execute Resolution 2020-34: Documenting the Submission of the 2020 Annual Certifications by City of Goshen Elected Officers. Passed 3-0**

Resolution 2020-35: Share of Costs of Wages and Benefits

Marks presented the packet memo. Explained that previously these shares were a part of the annual salary ordinance. Landis asked about the advantage of the change. Marks noted increased flexibility year-to-year. Clerk-Treasurer Adam Scharf noted increased efficiencies with respect to payroll administration and reduction in fees.

**Landis/Nichols moved to approve and execute Resolution 2020-35: Share of Costs of Wages and Benefits. Passed 3-0**

Privilege of the Floor

Street Commissioner David Gibbs announced that Christmas tree collection would be Jan. 4-29, 2021.

**Stutsman/Landis moved to approve Civil City and Utility claims and adjourn. Passed 3-0**



Adjournment at 2:21 p.m.

APPROVED

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Jeremy Stutzman, Chair

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Michael Landis, Member

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Mary Nichols, Member

ATTEST

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Adam Scharf, Clerk-Treasurer