

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC  
WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER  
FEBRUARY 9, 2021**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 9, 2021 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Presiding Officer Mayor Dean Vonderheide called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk-Treasurer Allen Seifert called the roll:

Mayor Dean Vonderheide	Present
Board member Tim Bell	Present
Board member Nancy Eckerle	Present

Also present were Police Chief Nathan Schmitt, Street Commissioner Jeff Theising, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Allen Seifert.

Clerk-Treasurer Allen Seifert announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. Three of three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.** The board members examined the minutes from the regular meeting held on January 26, 2021. Thereafter, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to approve the minutes. Motion carried 3-0.

**CLAIMS.** The claims against the City from January 8, 2021 to February 4, 2021 were presented to and examined by the board. Thereafter, a motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

**THREE POLICE SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE QUOTES**

Police Chief Nathan Schmitt said the police department sought sealed quotes for three police sport utility vehicles with a police pursuit package less the trade in.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick opened the following quotes.

Sternberg Chrysler	\$123,105.00	Dodge 2021 Durango Pursuit
	<u>\$33,460.00</u>	trade in
	\$ 89,645.00	net quote

Washington Chrysler	\$100,947.00	Dodge 2021 Durango Pursuit
	<u>\$11,000.00</u>	trade in
	\$ 89,947.00	net quote

Schmitt recommended taking the quotes, with the alternate items, under advisement.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to take the quotes under advisement. Motion carried 3-0.

**STREET CLOSURE**

Jordan Dant of Precision Contracting LLC, requested permission to close Division Road, east of St. Charles and west of US 231, for work being done on new construction. He advised the road will be closed for two days.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to approve the closure of Division Road, east of St. Charles and west of US 231, for work being done on new construction for two days. Motion carried 3-0.

### **PURCHASE OF A TASER**

Police Chief Nathan Schmitt advised he solicited quotes from three vendors for a new Taser X2.

Amazon	\$1,649.95
Weshoot Experience	\$1,699.99
Axon Enterprises	\$1,332.38

Police Chief Nathan Schmitt requested permission to purchase the Taser from Axon.

A motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to purchase a taser from Axon for \$1,332.38. Motion carried 3-0.

### **AMMUNITION QUOTES**

Police Chief Nathan Schmitt presented the following quotes for ammunition for 2021.

	Dave's Gun Shop	Kiesler Supply	Great Outdoors
9mm Duty	No Bid	\$372.11/case	No Bid
9mm Practice	No Bid	\$228.11/case	No Bid
.223 Duty	No Bid	\$352.97/case	No Bid
.223 Practice	No Bid	\$429.19/case	No Bid
12 Gauge Duty	No Bid	\$160.54/case	No Bid
.308 Duty	No Bid	\$361.30/case	No Bid
.308 Practice	No Bid	\$471.65/case	No Bid

#### **Ammunition needed**

9mm Duty	7 cases @ \$372.11/case =	\$2,604.77
9mm Practice	11 cases @ \$228.11/case =	\$2,509.21
.223 Duty	8 cases @ \$352.97/case =	\$2,823.76

Total Amount	\$7,937.74
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Police Chief Nathan Schmitt advised the ammunition has a long lead time due to the shortage across the nation. He advised it is possible some ammunition may take up to 12 months to arrive. He advised there is a good amount on hand, he does not believe this will be a problem.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to approve the purchase of ammunition for the police dept for \$7,937.74, all from Kiesler Supply. Motion carried 3-0.

### **FIREFIGHTER RESIGNS**

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang said Volunteer Firefighter James Hellums submitted a letter of resignation effective February 1, 2021.

A motion was made by Mayor Dean Vonderheide and seconded by Tim Bell to accept the letter of resignation from Volunteer Firefighter James Hellums effective February 1, 2021. Motion carried 3-0.

### **SEEK STREET DEPT DUMP TRUCK QUOTES**

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising requested permission to seek quotes for a new 2 1/2-ton dump truck w/snowplow. This will replace Truck with asset # 600100.

A motion was made by Mayor Dean Vonderheide and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the seeking of quotes for a new 2 1/2-ton dump truck w/snowplow. Motion carried 3-0.

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising requested permission to seek quotes for a new 1-ton truck w/snowplow. This will replace truck #3.

A motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the seeking of quotes for a 1-ton truck 4X4 w/snowplow. Motion carried 3-0.

### **HEART OF JASPER CONTACT**

Mayor Dean Vonderheide advised the Board needs to approve the Heart of Jasper contract for \$10,000.

A motion was made by Mayor Dean Vonderheide and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve a funding agreement with the Heart of Jasper for \$10,000.00. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_ with ✓ without corrections or clarification this 23th day of February, 2021.

  
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Mayor Dean M. Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest:   
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Allen J. Seifert, Clerk-Treasurer