

The Board of Public Works and Safety of Plymouth, Indiana, met in Regular Session on October 26, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Building, 124 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN.

Mayor Senter presided for Board Members Culp, Ecker, Grobe and Smith. City Engineer Gaul, City Attorney Surrisi and Clerk-Treasurer Xaver were also present.

Board Members Ecker and Culp moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the last regular session of the Board of Public Works and Safety on October 12, 2015 as presented since they have been reviewed and found to be correct. The motion carried.

Utility Superintendent Davidson requested the Board approve payment of \$26,609 to Country Auto for the half-ton pickup truck approved by the Board on March 2, 2015. There were delays in building the truck due to the requested parts. Because of this delay, Country Auto will be providing a 2016 truck rather than a 2015 as originally agreed upon without any additional cost.

Board Members Smith and Culp moved and seconded to include the claim in the docket to approve the payment to Country Auto for the 2016 half-ton pickup truck. The motion carried.

Davidson also discussed an upcoming 2016 project regarding flooding issues on Randolph Street, where several residents have had flooding in their basements. He feels that improvements can be made in this area and has spoken with two residents, Mrs. Gochenhour and Ms. Cleveland, and assured them that this project will be one of the first projects the Utility Department starts in the spring time once funds become available and weather permitting. Davidson has also been contact with the county surveyor, who gave permission to discharge another pipe into the stream at his specifications. An easement from the property owners will also need to be obtained to lay pipe from the street to the river.

Street Superintendent Marquardt notified the Board that Niblock began milling on the second round of the 2015 Street Mill and Fill project. They are hoping to have most of the milling and paving done during the week of October 26<sup>th</sup>.

City Engineer Gaul presented a request from NIPSCO to trim trees along a street light wire on East LaPorte Street that travels alongside the footbridge. The clearance required is 1', so trimming would be very light. NIPSCO will be responsible for the cleaning up of all brush and trimmings and this is no cost to the City. Gaul explained that there is no financial guarantee due to lack of exposure.

Board Members Ecker and Grobe moved and seconded to approve the request. The motion carried.

City Attorney Surrisi presented Resolution No. 2015-670, A Resolution of the Board of Public Works and Safety Authorizing the Plymouth Fire Department to Accept Center & West Townships' Transfer of a Fire Training Tower. Surrisi explained that in fire contract negotiations with Center and West Townships, it was agreed upon that Center and West Townships would divide the cost of building a new Class A Live Fire Training Tower, located on the Marshall County Jail property, and transfer that personal property over to the City of Plymouth at no cost. The cost to build the tower was \$199,000 and was divided 70% for Center Township and 30% for West Township. Board Member Grobe asked what the \$199,000 entailed. Surrisi clarified that this was the cost of installation. The annual maintenance and other costs associated with the tower would become the City's responsibility.

Board Members Smith and Culp moved and seconded to approve Resolution No. 2015-670, A Resolution of the Board of Public Works and Safety Authorizing the Plymouth Fire Department to Accept Center & West Townships' Transfer of a Fire Training Tower. The motion passed by roll call vote.

AYES: Senter, Ecker, Culp, Grobe, and Smith

NAYS: None

Clerk-Treasurer Xaver presented the following request:

One handicapped spot at the corner of Garro and Water St. to assist new wellness center at 201 Garro St. S/ Pam Mahler Lee, Owner, 201 Garro St., Plymouth, IN 574-341-9355.

Pam Mahler attended the meeting to answer any questions the Board had for her. She stated that approximately 60% of her customers are handicapped and requests this parking space to help them when they frequent her business.

Board Members Ecker and Smith moved and seconded to approve the request pursuant to being able to meet ADA requirements. The motion carried.

Board Members Smith and Ecker moved and seconded to allow the salaried payroll for October 1-15, 2015 and the claims for October 26, 2015 as entered in Claim Register #2015, including payment to Country Auto in the amount of \$26,690 for the Utility Department's half-ton truck. The motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, Members Grobe and Ecker moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was declared adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

S/Jeanine M. Xaver  
Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

S/Mark Senter  
Mayor

The following requests have been forwarded to the proper committee to act:

10/26/2015 Tree Request – Tree to be taken down on city ground at 223 South Walnut St. Tree is rotted. Branches have fallen of roof. S/ Craig Ousnamer, Owner, 223 S. Walnut St., Plymouth, IN 574-855-6197