

June 7, 2021
Tipton City Council Meeting

The city council meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Answering roll call were Mayor Joe Lutz, Aldermen Bob Wolf, Mark Hampton and Don Basinger. Supt. of Public Works Jeff Koechner, Fire Chief Aaron Fassler, Police Chief Edward Wiecken and City Clerk Jennifer Schmidt were also present.

Tom Briscoe, AKE Safety Equipment, presented a demonstration on liquid filled fire extinguishers that cost \$300-900 depending on size.

Wolf moved to accept the minutes of the May 3, 2021 open meeting. Seconded by Hampton and the motion carried by three.

The following updates were made:

1. Koechner requested changing the household hazardous waste collection dates to twice a year instead of four, preferably at the same times of city wide cleanup. The council agreed to change the collection to twice a year coinciding with city wide cleanups.
2. Koechner stated spring loaded bollards for Ferguson Ave will cost approximately \$4,000.
3. Crider went over the code enforcement report.
4. Hampton reported that he and Basinger met to go over the American Rescue Plan guidance to determine how the funds could be used to mitigate COVID. Funding may be available for bleachers, picnic tables, HVAC, city hall remodel, north lagoon electrical, Wi-Fi at the park, TRA concession stand and bathrooms and premium pay for city employees. A list with estimated cost will be presented in July.
5. The 2020 CDBG cycle is not open yet; however, it should be soon. The updated cost for the entire project is \$275,252. The council agreed to proceed with the grant.
6. Jessica Homan stated the disc golf course is finished and a grand opening will be held on Sun., June 13 at the Lions shelter house at 2 p.m.

In new business, Hampton moved to appoint Jeanne Edwards, Lori Bestgen and Kerry Uptergrove to the library board for a 3 year term and appoint Karla Pettigrew for a 2 year term to replace Katie Kuttenkuler. Seconded by Basinger and the motion carried by three.

Three bids were received for demolishing the pool: Dirtbound Excavation, \$6,400; A & D Construction, \$14,938; B & P Construction, \$23,500. Basinger moved to approve Dirtbound Excavation's bid of \$6,400. Seconded by Hampton and the motion carried by three.

The police dept. received body and car cameras and need a policy for officers to follow. Wolf moved to approve the presented video recorder policy. Seconded by Hampton and the motion carried by three.

Hampton stated the storage unit bill will be presented in August for approval with a September 1 effective date.

Department heads requested permission to apply for grants with Mirma to partially fund safety equipment. Basinger moved to approve applying for the Mirma grant with a 60-75% reimbursement for the following items: spike strips, AED, LED signs, PASS devices, beacon lights, air monitor and hydraulic hammer. Seconded by Wolf and the motion carried by three.

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In other new business, Lutz stated he was contacted by Donald Shipley about financial assisting a group creating a historical museum on Howard St.

Hampton has received complaints of the golf discs hitting the new lake shelter house. Koechner stated the tee pad will be moved soon to alleviate the issue.

Wolf moved to pay the bills. Seconded by Basinger and the motion carried by three.

Basinger moved to adjourn. Seconded by Wolf and the motion carried by three. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Jennifer Schmidt, City Clerk