

Board of Public Works and Safety
Berne City Building, 158 W Franklin Street
Wednesday July 15, 2020
Minutes

Mayor Sprunger-Present
Ron Dull- Present

Curtis Wurster-Present

All members of the Board of Public Works and Safety met at City Hall at 8:00 am on July 15, 2020 along with City Attorney Dave Baumgartner and Recording Secretary Becky Sprunger. Mayor Sprunger called the meeting to order and verified a quorum. An agenda was posted at the door.

Others present at the meeting, Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Maller; Work Force Manager Kurt Dailey; Street Superintendent Gary Nussbaum; Police Chief Tim Taylor and Clint Anderson, Berne Witness.

Approval of the Minutes: Ron Dull made a motion to approve the minutes of ~~July 15, 2020~~ June 20, 2020 as written. Curtis Wurster made the second. Motion unanimously carried 3-0

Request for Special Event Street Closure : Mayor Sprunger informed the board that he had received a request from Olivia Raugh, Berne Chamber Director on behalf of the Downtown Merchants, to close Fulton Street from Main to the alley on Saturday, July 25, 2020 from 10am-5 pm. The request is to promote the “Shop Local Buy Local” event and will include a food truck. Ron Dull made a motion to approve the request as presented, Curtis Wurster made the second. Motion unanimously carried 3-0. Kurt Dailey, Work Force Manager is aware of the event.

Request to Receive Bids For One Ton Dump Truck: Kurt Dailey informed the board that the current Street Department’s one ton dump truck was purchased in 2005. He has confirmed with Clerk-Treasurer Gwen Maller that there is money in the budget to replace the truck. The one ton is the work-horse of the city fleet of trucks and is used to help all departments. When asked by Curtis if the old truck would be advertised for sale or traded in, Kurt said the plan is to trade it in.

Curtis Wurster made a motion to have Work Force Manager Kurt Dailey provide City Attorney Dave Baumgartner with the specification of the old truck and what specification they want on the new truck and to have Dave draw up the notice of bids for a new one ton dump truck. Ron Dull made the second. Motion unanimously carried 3-0

Other None

Board Comments Ron said that living in one of the impacted neighborhoods where the Storm Water/Sewer work is being done by Brackney, he feels Brackney has done a great job on the project and keeping neighbors informed when work is in their area. He has received no negative comments from his neighbors.

Ron asked if there is a potential completion date for project. Mayor Sprunger stated that the new asphalt is expected to be done by late fall and the project is to be completed by late October or November. Kurt Dailey informed the board that there have been no big surprises as the project moves to the alleys downtown, but they have found sewer lines by what was the old fire department that they had no record of, which, given that this is in the oldest part of Berne, was not a surprise.

With nothing further to come before the board Ron made a motion to adjourn, Curtis made the second, and adjournment followed.