

Board of Public Works and Safety
Berne City Building, 158 W Franklin Street
Wednesday July 17, 2019
Minutes

Mayor McKean-Present
Ron Dull- **Absent**

Curtis Wurster-Present

The Board of Public Works and Safety met on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 in council chambers according to the posted notice along with City Attorney Dave Baumgartner and Recording Secretary Becky Sprunger. Ron Dull was not in attendance.

In attendance from the City; Chief Tim Taylor, Kurt Dailey, Gary Nussbaum and John Crider. Others in attendance, Clint Anderson, Berne Witness.

Mayor McKean called the meeting to order and verified a quorum.

Approval of Minutes On a motion by Curtis Wurster and a second by Mayor McKean, the minutes from June 19, 2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

Swiss Days Street Closing List and Temporary Signage

Work force manager Kurt Dailey brought the annual Swiss Days street closing and temporary signage list to the board for their approval as follows:

2019 Swiss Days Street Closing List

1. Monday p.m. City Hall Parking lot (For Stage)
2. Wednesday a.m. Jefferson St. from alley south of Main St. to Water St.
3. Wednesday a.m. Fulton St. at Main St. (For Tents)
4. Wednesday a.m. Behring St. From Main St. to Alley (For Kiddy Rides)
5. Wednesday a.m. Main St. From Brown St. to US 27/218 (For annual Swiss Days)
6. Wednesday a.m. Hendricks St. From Main St. to Franklin St.
7. Wednesday a.m. Sprunger St. From Main St. to Water St.
8. Wednesday a.m. Franklin St. From Fulton St. to Hendricks St.
9. Friday a.m. Baltimore/Lehman St. From Franklin St. to Water
10. Friday a.m. Indiana/Columbia St. From Franklin St. to Alley south of Water St.
11. Friday a.m. Harrison St. From Main St. to Water St.
12. Saturday a.m. Jefferson St. & Sprunger St. (For Foot Races)

13. Saturday p.m. Water St. to Baltimore St. to Lehman St. to Franklin St. to Hendricks St. to Lehman Park (For Parade)

Everything to be opened Saturday p.m./ early Sunday a.m. with the exception of City Hall Parking lot (For Stage)

Temporary signs to be put up for 2019 Swiss Days

1. Both downtown ally's NO PARKING FIRE LANE (entire Swiss days)
2. Washington St.- From Behring St. to Jefferson St. on the North side NO PARKING ANY-TIME (entire Swiss days)
3. Water St.- beside library NO PARKING HANDICAP ONLY (entire Swiss days)
4. Lehman St., Franklin St. from Lehman St. to Hendricks St., Hendricks St. south of Dearborn St. NO PARKING ANYTIME (Saturday for Parade)

Curtis Wurster made a motion to approve the street closing list and the temporary signage list as presented for 2019 Swiss Days. Mayor McKean made the second and the motion was unanimously approved.

Other Mayor McKean reported that he had been asked by a citizen why a large tree at Lehman Park had been marked with an orange circle. Street Superintendent Gary Nussbaum advised the board that a large branch fell from the tree and city employee Ben Garringer marked it for Yoder Tree Service (Nash) to evaluate the condition and safety of the tree. Nash has not had a chance to look at it yet.

Mayor McKean advised the board that a proposal from the City to South Adams Schools for a SRO to be provided by the city was given to Superintendent Litwiller. At this point Attorney Baumgartner advised the board that even though the council approved hiring a new officer for the purpose of having one of our officers serve as SRO, the Board of Public Works and Safety needed to be the entity giving their approval to hire a new officer and providing the SRO.

Curtis Wurster made a motion to hire an additional police officer and designate Mayor McKean, Gwen Maller and Police Chief Tim Taylor to negotiate the contract between the South Adams Schools and the city for the City of Berne to provide the SRO officer. Mayor McKean made the second and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Taylor reported that they have received about 6 applications and the Police Department put the application on their Facebook page and Becky stated that she will also put on the City of Berne Facebook page.

With nothing further to come before the board and on a motion by Mayor McKean and a second by Curtis, the meeting was adjourned.