

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Connersville held their regular meeting on Monday, April 1, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Board member Jim Barrett lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Buchanan offered invocation before the start of the meeting.

Mayor Chad Frank presided and called the meeting to order with Board members Becky Gibson, and Jim Barrett present. City Attorney David Butsch was also present. Board members Brian Doub, and Diana Phillips were absent.

Jim Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2024, regular meeting, Becky Gibson seconded the motion. All Board members voted "yes."

Pastor Micheal Horning requested permission to use the city lot across from 809 Western Ave for the Pathway of Damascus for the Men's Shelter on May 18th from 2pm – 5 pm. They will have a tent and a bounce house. Jim Barrett made the motion to approve, Becky Gibson seconded the motion. All Board members voted "yes".

Utility/Street Director Brad Colter requested approval of David Kunkel's retirement. His last day of work will be April 30, 2024. He has worked for Connersville Utilities for nearly 35 years. Becky Gibson made the motion to approve, Jim Barret seconded the motion. All Board members voted "yes".

Utility/Street Director Brad Colter stated that Mondy 4/8 trash will be picked up on Tuesday, they will have both trucks running. The water will be shut off for a short period on Tuesday 4/9 from 24th Street to Shelton's Platt to hook up the water for the new Reid Hospital. The Compost area will be open Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8 am to 3 pm. They will start the Heavy Trash pickup will start in May.

Mayor Chad Frank requested approval of an Emergency Route during the day of the Eclipse. It will be in place for locals only. It will also allow emergency vehicles to get from one end of the city to the other. Jim Barrett made the motion to approve, Becky Gibson seconded the motion. All Board members voted "yes".

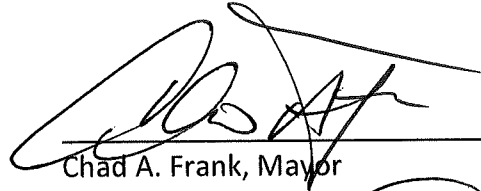
Tom Barclay with Commonwealth Engineering is the Connersville Utilities and Town of Glenwood Water Engineering firm. Town of Glenwood would like to run water from Connersville. They currently have 2 wells with poor quality water. A small town normally would use a Rural Development Loan, but they currently do not have any funds to loan out. SRF is the next logical next step. They require design work which will take 9 – 12 months and needs to be completed prior to the funding. The current cost for the design work is \$1.38 million, which they are requesting a zero-interest loan from the neighboring communities until the SRF funding and/or grants. They currently have promises from Fayette County Council for up to \$350,000.00 and Economic Development for up to \$350,000.00. They will be asking Rushville Board of Works, the Rush County Council, Connersville Board of Works, and Connersville City Council.

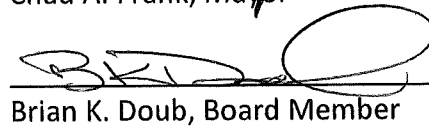
Mayor Frank stated that we were not to take any action at this time. This would benefit residential growth along 44 West. Rushville may want some compacity also. That would be all on

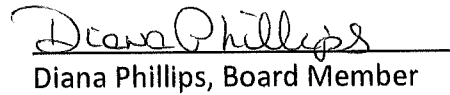
them to pay for it from Glenwood to Rushville.

Jim Barrett made a motion to approve the City of Connersville claims of \$96,764.46, the City's payroll claims of \$425,039.57 and the Utility claims of \$476,563.01, Becky Gibson seconded the motion. All Board members voted "yes."

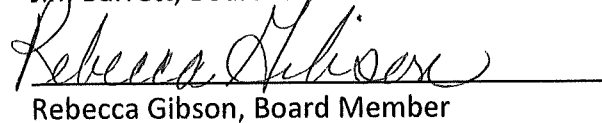
Jim Barrett made a motion to adjourn with Becky Gibson seconding. All Board members voted "yes."

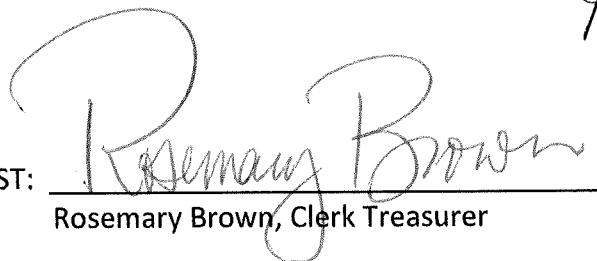

Chad A. Frank, Mayor


Brian K. Doub, Board Member


Diana Phillips, Board Member


Jim Barrett, Board Member


Rebecca Gibson, Board Member

ATTEST: 
Rosemary Brown, Clerk Treasurer