

UTILITY BOARD

October 1, 2018

6:16 P.M.

The City of Lawrenceburg Utility Board meeting was called to order by President Kelly Mollaun, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Orndorff read roll call. Present were Board members Tony Abbott, Randy Abner, Mel Davis, Paul Seymour JR and Aaron Cook, Utility Director Olin Clawson, City Attorney Del Weldon, Mayor Kelly Mollaun, and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Suzanne Orndorff.

Clerk-Treasurer Richard Richardson was absent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

Approval of minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion: Tony Abbott

Second: Aaron Cook

Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Utility Director Olin Clawson stated that he received a quote for the street lights on US50. He said he will bring this before Council at a future meeting. There is an approximate 6-8 week lead time and the cost is approximately \$36,000. There is currently no lighting on the new bridge because the State does not light bridges and it is not included in the quote.
2. Olin advised that the Rodeo was a success with 14 lineman teams from across the US and 6 professional bull riders. He said the event went very well and exceeded expectations. Even though the event is over, IMPA is sending a check for \$10,700 as a sponsorship. He stated that LMU received over \$100,000 in Corporate sponsorships for the event. He will be providing the Board a complete financial report of the event within the next month. He said the APPA has expressed their support for the event next year and he expects it to be an even bigger event than it was this year.
3. Paul Seymour JR said he was thankful that the City put this arena together for the 4H and that Olin was able to use it for the Rodeo event. The Special Olympics, Lawrenceburg Eagles and Tiger Touchdown were all nonprofits that were able to benefit from the event. Paul Seymour JR said he appreciates the effort of the City and LMU and all the participants.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

1. An amendment to the previous Salary Ordinance Amendment No. 14-2018 was brought before the Board. Olin said that the Fiber Tech position was a non-union position and only 1 applicant applied for the position. The salary and benefits have already been set for this individual and he has already begun his employment. This position would oversee sales, Network Operations Center (NOC) and IT services of the various City offices. Councilperson Tony Abbott said he would like to schedule a Work Session to discuss this position.

**The Utility Service Board meeting was recessed.*

6:30PM - Public Hearing for the Community Center Grant

Ms. Susan Craig with SIRPC approached the Board regarding the Community Center Grant to repair/replace the HVAC units. The City is applying for a 50% match grant in the amount of \$279,760 with the local funds coming from a combination of the Community Center, Dearborn Community Foundation and the City. The proposal is due by this Friday, October 5th and the application is due by November 30th. There were no public comments.

**The Public Hearing for the Community Center Grant was closed at 6:34PM and the Utility Service Board meeting resumed.*

Tony Abbott expressed his concerns again and requested a Work Session of the Utility Service Board for further discussion. Paul Seymour JR said he didn't want to hold up the fiber project and would like to keep it moving. He stated that the internet at Lawrenceburg Conservancy needs better service as well. Aaron Cook asked if this wage was comparable to the market wage. Olin said it was or even below market wage. Olin stated that this is a specialized and highly technical position and it is imperative to get someone in this position that has the expertise in this field. Aaron Cook asked when the fiber would be up and running. Olin said they would be reaching out to customers who have signed up this week.

Motion to suspend the rules and accept on the same night as presented.

Motion: Paul Seymour JR

Second: Mel Davis

Roll Call:

Tony Abbott: No

Aaron Cook: Yes

Mel Davis: Yes

Randy Abner: Yes

Paul Seymour JR: Yes

Motion carried; however, since the vote was not unanimous to suspend the rules, it cannot be approved on the same night.

City Attorney Del Weldon clarified that this position has already been created and the individual has already been hired. This procedure was just to amend the salary ordinance.

MOTION TO APPROVE CLAIMS

Motion: Mel Davis

Second: Tony Abbott

Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: Tony Abbott

Second: Mel Davis

Motion carried.