

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
March 14, 2022**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rensselaer met on March 14, 2022 in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall. President Stephen Wood called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Answering roll call were: President Stephen Wood; Deputy Secretary Marcia Mathew; Board Members Rick Odle and Ernest Watson, Jr.; City Attorney Jacob Ahler; Police Chief Matt Anderson; Fire Chief Kenny Haun; Asst. Street Supt. Bryce Black and Project Coordinator Jerry Lockridge.

Also present was Robert Schenk with Rensselaer Adventures.

The minutes of the February 14, 2022 regular board meeting were presented for approval. There was a motion by Odle, second by Watson, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Firefighter Application: Haun presented a firefighter application to the board. The applicant is Shawn Hofferth. He said his board recommended a one year probationary offer as a volunteer firefighter subject to the Board of Public Works approval. Watson asked if this is the same person Anderson researched. Haun said it was and Watson asked if he had concerns. Haun said they have a reputation to uphold but he was also a believer in second chances. He also added that it is difficult to find volunteers. There was a motion by Odle, second by Watson, to table this matter until the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Commonwealth Invoice for Water Main and Storage Tower Project: Lockridge presented the Water Main and Storage Tank Project claim from Commonwealth Engineers in the amount of \$15,734.33. This claim came before the board previously but discovered there wasn't enough money in the fund to pay it so money had to be transferred. There was a motion by Odle, second by Watson, to pay the claim. The motion passed unanimously.

Ahler Invoice for Main Lift Station and Unsewered Areas: Wood asked Ahler to address this claim. Ahler asked that the board vacate payment of this invoice. It is his understanding that the city will be closing on this project next week and rather than discounting this invoice at closing he will wait for payment. There was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to vacate the invoice. The motion passed unanimously.

There being nothing more to come before the board, there was a motion by Wood, second by Odle, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.


Stephen A. Wood, President

Attest:


Marcia Mathew, Deputy Secretary