

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY  
January 8, 2024**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rensselaer met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on January 8, 2024. Board President Jeffrey S. Phillips called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Answering roll call were: President Jeff Phillips; Secretary Shelby Keys; Board Members Ernest Watson, Jr; and Jeff Rayburn; City Attorney Todd Sammons; Sargent Dan White; Fire Chief Kenny Haun; Street/Water/Sewer/Sanitation Supt. Bryce Black; and Project Coordinator Jerry Lockridge. Police Chief Matt Anderson was absent.

Also in attendance were Kevin Arnold, Josh Davis, Russ Overton, Josh Eldridge, Garrett Welker, Ryan LaReau with Commonwealth Engineers and Bob Schenk with Rensselaer Adventures.

The minutes of the December 11, 2023 regular board meeting were presented and approved upon a motion by Watson, second by Rayburn, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Main Lift Station & Unsewered Areas Project:**

- A. Commonwealth Invoices:** Lockridge said one invoice for \$4,341.97 covers additional construction and US iron and steel compliance. The other invoice for \$3,408.06 covers additional construction and resident project rep. There was a motion by Rayburn, second by Watson, to approve both invoices. The motion passed unanimously.

**Waterworks Improvements Project:**

**Division A (Elevated Water Storage Tank)**

- A. Maguire Iron Pay Request/SRF Disbursement #29:** Lockridge said this pay request for \$167,663.00 covers the tank fabrication, sandblasting and delivery and erection of the steel for the water tower. There was a motion made by Watson, second by Rayburn, to approve SRF #29. The motion passed unanimously.

**Division B (Water Main and Water Service Replacement)**

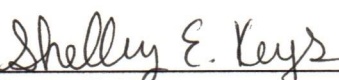
- A. Change Order #2:** Lockridge said this change order results in \$83,209.58 increase with no extra days added. This covers additional services that were replaced.
- B. Grimmer Construction Pay Request/SRF Disbursement #30:** Lockridge said this pay request for \$128,896.00 covers service line work, blacktop patching, sidewalk work, backfilling, and closing out the project.
- C. Grimmer Construction Pay Request/SRF Disbursement #31:** Lockridge said this pay request for \$67,804.00 covers retainage release. Completion is scheduled for January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Substantial completion has been met. There was a motion by Rayburn, second by Watson, to approve Change Order 2 and SRF Disbursements #30 and #31. The motion passed unanimously.
- D. Commonwealth Invoice/SRF Disbursement #28:** Lockridge said this invoice for \$34,107.00 covers resident rep, inspection service and easement assistance. There was a motion by Watson, second by Phillips, to approve SRF Disbursement #28.

**Utilities Expansion to I-65:** Ryan LaReau, with Commonwealth Engineers, said he has a task order that includes fees and a timeline for getting water and sewer from Holiday Inn to County Road 1000. The city and county have been working together on this. Boring would have to be done under the highway. There was a motion by Watson, second by Rayburn, to allow Phillips to sign the task order pending contract approval between the city and county. The motion passed unanimously.

There being nothing more to come before the board, there was a motion by Rayburn, second by Watson, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

  
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Jeffrey S. Phillips, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Shelby E. Keys  
Clerk-Treasurer