

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

July 10, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 8:30 A.M. All members were present and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, July 2, 2012, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the claims as presented, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Under old business, Mayor DeBaun said he spent about an hour yesterday with Steve Howard, Denny Frey, and others to really understand the nature of the bid that was opened at last week's Board meeting, and try to find ways to do it better in 2013. Mayor DeBaun said the bid was comparable to bids opened late last year, so he entertained a motion to approve the bid and start on August 1, which would give Shelby Co. Co-op time to get cards ready for fleet vehicles. Mr. Williams moved to approve the bid, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mayor DeBaun asked Deidra Norris, from the Animal Shelter, to come forward to ask questions about the owners of a dog that live at 632 Van Avenue. Deidra said she had an opportunity to review the fence and see the state of repair it's in. She said there are repairs that still need to be made to the fence, and she recommended putting the dog on a tie-out until the repairs are finished. She said there have not been any incidents happening since Mr. Finkel's Dad tripped. Mayor DeBaun thanked Mr. & Mrs. Woods for allowing him to visit their property to see the fence, and it was determined, by both sides, that repairs still needed to be made to the fence. Until the repairs are made, it was felt the dog should be put in a pen, in a kennel, or on a leash. Another option would be to find another home for the dog if they wish, and Mayor DeBaun said he didn't feel the dog should run around the yard at large until the fence is repaired. Mr. Williams moved to order the dog contained on a leash or in a kennel until Animal Control feels the yard is satisfactorily protected with the fence, and Mayor DeBaun seconded. The motion was carried on a 2-0-1 voice vote, with Mr. Finkel abstaining.

Mayor DeBaun asked if anyone was present for the dog incident at 315 Second Street. Animal Control Officer Deidra Norris said there were 2 attacking pit bull dogs, and one of them has been euthanized. She said the second dog was released by the Animal Shelter Director, Keith Barrett, yesterday to its owner. Mayor DeBaun was very upset that the dog was released before there was a hearing today, and he said, in the future, there will not be any dogs released until after the hearing. Deidra said she understood that. Mayor DeBaun asked what the options are now. Deidra said the owner has had this released dog for a long time, and it never showed any aggression to any of the dogs at the Shelter while it was there. Mr. Finkel asked how the owner of the dog that was attacked and killed felt. Deidra said the owner was very happy that the pit bull was euthanized. Deidra said the two dogs were on leashes, one with the owner, and one with her son. After discussion, Mayor DeBaun said this will be continued until the next meeting, then if they want the owner to appear, the Animal Shelter will be notified in the next couple of days to notify her. In the meantime, Mayor DeBaun said he wanted to have Mr. Barrett notify him why he released the dog before the hearing. Mayor DeBaun said he'd also like the owner(s) of the dog that was attacked be notified to appear at next week's meeting to hear what their thinking and desires are.

Mayor DeBaun asked the Board's permission to declare a permanent order on his emergency local disaster announced last week because of the severe drought conditions, and until it's either terminated by himself or the Board. Mr. Finkel moved to approve the order, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mayor DeBaun said the Relay for Life event would be held this coming Saturday and Sunday at the County Fairgrounds, and he would be having opening remarks Saturday morning.

Denny Frey, General Manager of Shelby Co. Co-op, said he thought his group had a good meeting with the Mayor yesterday concerning the gas quotes opened last week. The meeting helped clarify a few questions raised about gas prices and how they can fluctuate almost on a daily basis. It was found that their bid compared with last year's accepted bidder would be higher by a little, or even lower, so it's a competitive bid compared to what was being used earlier this year. After WWTP Supt. Brad Fix asked a question about using the new cards, Mr. Frey said the cards will be coded to the price that was quoted on the bid. If it's used at any Country Mart facility, including outside Shelby County, it will be priced based on the bid. Mayor DeBaun said it would be a good idea to meet in the next week or two with his Department Heads, Shelby Co. Co-op officials, and Valerie, from the Clerk-Treasurer's office, to ask questions about using the cards.

Amy Haacker, the Mainstreet Shelbyville Director, asked if the east half of the Public Square could be closed tomorrow and every Wednesday at 12:30 P.M., which will start the beginning of Farmer's Markets every Wednesday until sometime in October. Also, this coming Saturday, the FOP Auxiliary is having their annual biscuits and gravy breakfast, where both sides of the Square need to be closed. Mr. Williams moved to approve the two requests, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

There being no further business, Mr. Williams moved to adjourn.

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Thomas D. DeBaun  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Frank M. Zerr  
Clerk-Treasurer