

SUMMER OF RECOVERY

Mike Myers and Scott Naylor of Two Eight Ministries appeared via zoom to request permission to host the Summer of Recover at the Dave Buehler Plaza using the gazebo and four shelter houses on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 5:00 pm. They have coordinated with the Park Department.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to allow Two Eight Ministries to host Summer of Recovery at the Dave Buehler Plaza using the gazebo and four shelter houses on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at 5:00 pm with set up to begin at 8:00 am and teardown to be complete by 11:00 pm and the music to stop playing by 8:30 pm. Motion carried 3-0.

TRAIL "SPRING INTO SUMMER WINE MARKET"

Laurelin Doty of the French Lick Winery requested permission to host the Indiana Uplands Trail "Spring Into Summer Wine Market" on Saturday, June 21, 2025, from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm at the Parklands Pavilion. They have coordinated with the Park Department and will have all the proper permitting with the ATC.

A motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the Indiana Uplands Trail "Spring into Summer Wine Market" at the Parklands Pavilion on Saturday, June 21, 2025, beginning at 12:00 pm with set up and tear down from 9:30 am to 6:30 pm. Motion carried 3-0.

CLOSURES

Blake Schroering requested permission to block the alley by Chocolate Bliss for a period of time not to exceed two weeks. He has communicated with the surrounding businesses and would like to start as soon as the weather clears. The alley will be blocked off during working hours and opened back up in the evening and on the weekends.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to allow Blake Schroering to block the alleyway by Chocolate Bliss for no longer than two weeks beginning as soon as the weather clears. Motion carried 3-0.

City Engineer Chad Hurm requested permission to close 6th Street between Mill Street and Jackson Street beginning March 31, 2025, for storm sewer replacement for approximately two weeks. The board recommended that the businesses be notified and/or reminded.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to close 6th Street between Mill Street and Jackson Street for a storm sewer replacement beginning March 31, 2025, for approximately two weeks. Motion carried 3-0.

City Engineer Chad Hurm requested to close Brosmer Street, south of 30th Street for installation of storm sewer on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, for approximately one day. This is part of the Multiuse Trail Project.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to close Brosmer Street, south of 30th Street for installation of a storm sewer on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, for approximately one day. Motion carried 3-0.

WEST HILL FIRST ADDITION

Brad Eckerle of Brosmer Land Surveying and Engineering on behalf of West Hill LLC, Jeff Knies, owner, requested acceptance of a dedicated right of way, public utility and drainage easement, and public infrastructure at West Hill First Addition, a one lot subdivision at the end of Wernsing Road zoned I1. Primary plat approval was made at the February Plan Commission meeting. All performance bonds are in place.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Tim Bell to accept the dedication of right of way, public utility and drainage easement and public infrastructure at West Hill First Addition. Motion carried 3-0.

TRAVEL AND TRAINING REQUEST

Police Chief Chad Dick requested permission to send Sergeants Brescher and Knies to the Indiana Police Supervisor's Training at the Evansville Police Department on April 9, 2025, and April 10, 2025. The cost of the training is \$500.00 per person, with \$70.00 per officer for meals for a grand total of

\$1,140.00. The cost to attend was approved as part of the Police Department's training budget.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to allow Sergeants Brescher and Knies to attend the Indiana Police supervisors Training at the Evansville Police Department on April 9, 2025, and April 10, 2025, for a total of \$1,140.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Police Chief Chad Dick requested permission for Assistant Chief Aaron Persohn and himself to attend Chief's School at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy April 21, 2025 through April 25, 2025. The cost to attend the training is \$275.00, with hotel accommodations being \$550.00 per person and meals not to exceed \$175.00 per person for a total of \$2,000.00 or \$1,000.00 per person. The cost to attend was approved as part of the Police Department's training budget.

A motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to allow Chief Dick and Assistant Chief Persohn to attend Chief's School at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy April 21, 2025, through April 25, 2025, for a total amount of \$2,000.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Police Chief Chad Dick requested permission to move forward with training the new peer support team through Lexipol's Peer Support Team Virtual Training. It's all done virtually and there will be no cost to travel, and the individuals can complete their training at their own pace. The cost of the training is \$399.00 per person, and they will be training a total of seven people for a total cost of \$2793.00. This will be paid for out of the Police Department's training budget.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to move forward with training the new peer support team through Lexipol's Peer Support Team Virtual Training for seven people at \$399.00 per person for a total of \$2793.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Police Chief Chad Dick requested permission to send Joe Chambers to the ATK9 Conference October 6, 2025, through October 10, 2025, in Butlerville, IN. The cost for training is \$950.00 and \$175.00 for meals for a total of \$1,125.00. This will be paid for out of the Police Department's Training budget.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Tim Bell to send Joe Chambers to the ATK9 Conference October 6, 2025, through October 10, 2025, in Butlerville, IN for a total cost of \$1,125.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Mayor Vonderheide requested permission to attend the Mayor's Institute Training in Indianapolis on April 29, 2025, and April 30, 2025. The cost to travel will exceed \$500.00.

A motion was made by Tim Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to allow Mayor Vonderheide to attend the Mayor's Institute Training in Indianapolis, IN on April 29, 2025, and April 30, 2025. Motion carried 2-0 with Mayor Vonderheide abstaining.

COMPUTER REPLACEMENT/REFRESH

Police Chief Chad Dick requested permission to accept option #1 on the Exos Quote for Computer Replacement/Refreshment for the Jasper Police Department which is the lowest priced option at \$20,228.08 plus \$300.00 in shipping for a total of \$20,508.08. Board noted that the total price did not equal the price per unit and requested Chief Dick confirm the discrepancy.

A motion was made by Mayor Vonderheide and seconded by Tim Bell to approve option #1 on the Exos Quote for Computer Replacement/Refreshment for the Jasper Police Department for a total of \$20,508.08 pending verification of the price. Motion carried 3-0.

MONTHLY REPORT

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenny Hochgesang presented the previously distributed Fuel Maintenance Report and the Code Enforcement Report. The board acknowledged receipt of the reports.

CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenny Hochgesang gave a code enforcement update. The board acknowledged receipt of the reports.

PROJECT UPDATES

City Engineer Chad Hurm gave an update on the Main Street Phase II project. The contractor has moved up to the North half of Main Street. Paving on the South side of Main Street will begin weather permitting. They are waiting on castings for the sidewalk and doing some prep work for the Strassenfest.

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising gave an update on the Mill Street storm sewer replacement and sidewalk project. Theising advised the replacement is taking place on Mill Street between 11th and 12th Streets and there is a tree close to 12th Street that the property owner is in the process of removing. The sidewalk will then be replaced in areas from 9th Street to 13th Street. They are looking at sidewalks on the west side of the street only right now. There are sidewalks on the west side that need attention, but they are holding off on that until they have a better understanding of plans for the Indiana Furniture building.

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising advised that 14th and Newton Streets are closed right now to replace a storm sewer that goes to a manhole that is out in the highway about 4 or 5 ft in the southbound lane. That southbound lane is closed, and traffic is being channeled into the turn lane. The highway will be back open by the end of the day with rock on it and 14th Street will be closed for another day. That was scheduled for a three-day closure but may end up only being two days.

PAVEMENT INSPECTION

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising advised that the Street Department will begin its annual pavement inspection on April 1, 2025, and April 2, 2025. They will be taking a look at all of the streets and making notes of what needs attention.

STORM CLEANUP AND RESOURCE RECOVERY HOURS

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising acknowledged all of the city crews who have done a great job of cleaning up the recent storm damage. Resource Recovery hours were extended during the evenings last week and on the weekend. They are currently back to normal operating hours during the week but will be open again this weekend. Beginning in April Resource Recovery will be open on the first and third Saturday of the month, however in April they will actually be open three weeks in a row to continue to accept debris from the storms.

SAFETY AT 4th AND MILL STREETS

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising advised that they continue to review the intersection of 4th and Mill Streets. Theising requested additional time to investigate and meet on site before a decision is made. The intent is to report back at the next BPWS meeting.

QUOTE ACCEPTANCE

Street Commissioner Jeff Theising requested permission to accept the low quote for a salt spreader from Meyer Truck Equipment in the amount of \$8,450.00. This was a budgeted item.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim Bell to accept the low quote for a salt spreader from Meyer Truck Equipment in the amount of \$8,450.00. Motion carried 3-0.

POOL TICKET SALE IDEA

Board Member Nancy Eckerle shared how in the past some of the local businesses promoted Family Season Ticket sales for the City of Jasper Swimming Pool. She advised that Jasper Chamber of Commerce would be working to promote the new pool by having local businesses participate in the purchase and give away of the season passes for the swimming pool.

ADJOURNMENT. A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Tim

Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:19 am.

The minutes were hereby approved ___ with ✓ without corrections or clarification this 8 day of April, 2025.

Dean Vonderheide
Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest: Kiersten Knies
Kiersten Knies, Clerk-Treasurer