The City of Dyer Board of Mayor and Alderpersons met in regular session, Monday, April 22, 2024, at 7:05 PM. Those present were Mayor Chris Younger, Alderpersons Marty Graves, Mike Needham, Tom Mikkelsen, Michael Barron, Jennifer Hughey, and Bett Jewell. The City Attorney was present.

Motion made by Marty Graves, seconded by Mike Needham to approve the minutes of the April 8, 2024, regular meeting. Motion carried with all ayes.

## Mayor's Report

Mayor Younger reported that after analyzing submissions, staff recommends selecting A2H Engineers & Architects as the engineering and design firm, and SIC Project Management as grant administrator for the LPRF park grant. Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennfier Hughey to select A2H Engineers & Architects and SIC Project Management for the LPRF Park Grant project. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Marty Graves, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to declare surplus and authorize the city recorder to sell by any acceptable means a 2014 Chevy Tahoe (Police Vehicle), a 2006 Dodge Charger (Seized), and a 2003 Ford Crown Victoria (Seized). Motion carried with all ayes.

## Department Reports

Dyer Fire Chief Brandon Rudd reported that lightning had struck the fire station and some items were damaged. He is working with the City Recorder to file an insurance claim.

Alderman Craig Blackburn arrived at 7:09 PM.

The City Recorder thanked the Street Department for their help with several projects at the park recently.

Mayor Younger said that most residents should have received their new property tax assessment and that he wanted people to be aware that the current tax rate is \$1.93 and that that rate will be reduced to a much lower rate based on the Certified Tax Rate. This will result in tax bills from the City of Dyer being about the same as they are now.

Jay Richardson reported that bid specs for a raw water meter replacement are being completed and will let to bid soon. He also reported that the roof at the industrial park pump building will need to be replaced, and quotes are being gathered for that.

## **Committee Reports**

Marty Graves reported that the bulk trailer was picked up and is in use.

Park Committee Chair Bett Jewell reported that the disc golf locations have been marked and the Street Department will be installing the baskets. Mayor Younger said that ducks will be placed in the pond on Wednesday.

Mike Needham said that the downtown movie equipment had been tested and worked well; the first movie will be on May 18. A "cool down day" at the park is scheduled for August, and conversations are still ongoing about an event in September possibly in addition to Patriot Day Celebrations organized by the Fire Department. A band has already been scheduled for Trunk or Treat to be held on October 31.

## **New Business**

Motion made by Jennifer Hughey, seconded by Tom Mikkelsen to approve \$4,529.00 to Higdon Electric to Replace 440A/600V Breaker at Industrial Park Pump / Tank. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to pay the accounts. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion made by Michael Barron, seconded by Jennifer Hughey to adjourn. Motion carried with all ayes.

Chris Younger, Mayor

Nathan Reed, City Recorder