

MINUTES
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
FEBRUARY 13, 2014

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works & Safety convened at 9:01 a.m., in Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Lendi –absent; Mr. Dostatni – present; Mr. Smith – present.

Due to the absence of Mr. Lendi, normal rules of procedure are suspended.

Recommendation by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 30, 2014; Mr. Dostatni concurred.

Bid opening – Contractual Recycled Waste Collection. Bids received as follows:

Homewood Disposal Service, Inc. d/b/a Star Disposal of Indiana	Year 1
	\$5.98 per unit per month
	Year 2
	\$6.16 per unit per month
	Year 3
	\$6.34 per unit per month
	Year 4
	\$6.53 per unit per month
Waste Management	Year 1
	\$4.95 per unit per month
	Year 2
	\$5.09 per unit per month
	Year 3
	\$5.24 per unit per month
	Year 4
	\$5.39 per unit per month

Mr. Dostatni advised the alternate bids will be reviewed during tabulation. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni to refer the bids to the Law Department and the Engineering Department for tabulation and recommendation; Mr. Smith concurred. (Res No. 4003)

Agreement with Baxter & Woodman Consulting Engineers for services in the 1st District Improvement project – 141st Street to 139th Street. Recommendation by Mr. Smith; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-078)

Change Order No. 11 for the 169th Street project submitted for approval. Mr. Dostatni stated the change order is for conduit for fiber lines which were requested by and will be reimbursed by Purdue University Calumet in the amount of \$26,917.35 in the 169th Street Reconstruction Project. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-079)

Change Order No. 9 for the 169th Street project submitted for approval. Mr. Dostatni stated this change order is a request for four (4) additional days as there was unexpected water main break during the project. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-080)

Request for bid dates of February 20, 2014 and February 27, 2014 with a bid opening date of March 13, 2014 for the demolition of 5640 Beall Avenue, 5606 Walter Avenue, 1107 Wilcox Street and 1150 Summer Street. Recommendation by Mr. Smith; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Res. No. 4005)

Correspondence received from the Department of Environmental Management requesting approval for Environmental Forensic Investigations, Inc. to install five (5) additional soil borings into the right of way at 4510, 4524, 4532 and 4536 Hohman Avenue at which a License Agreement was approved on January 9, 2014. Recommendation by Mr. Smith; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-081)

Petition to Retain Concrete Slab at 664 State Street received from Attorney Scott E. Yahne. Ms. Kristina Kantar, Corporation Counsel, advised the City has an ordinance requiring the slab be removed but Environmental Management has advised there will be a release of environmental contaminants if the slab is removed. Recommendation by Mr. Smith to grant approval of the Petition to Remove the Concrete Slab at 664 State Street; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-082)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police Brian Miller requesting approval of the transfer of Sergeant Walczak from the Crime Scene Unit to Evidence Technician, with ET Specialty Pay effective February 2, 2014 and Disposal Authorizations. Recommendation by Mr. Smith; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-083)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7230 Ohio Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Gary Lee, for Summit Properties, LLC. , appears. Mr. Lee stated that he did not have title to the property until March 22, 2013, it being vacant until the time it was leased in September of 2013. Recommendation by Mr. Smith to waive the late fee and require payment of rental registration at \$80 per unit; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-084)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1119 Kenwood Street. Property owner, Ms. Murriel Embree, fails to appear. Recommendation by Mr. Smith to assess rental registration at \$80 per unit with a \$500 late fee; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-085)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 7540 Linden Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Ken Michaels, appears. Mr. Michaels stated that he was not aware of the fee for rental registration and that he has been renting this property ten (10) years. Recommendation by Mr. Smith to assess rental registration at \$10 per year for 2003 through 2009 and at \$80 per year for 2010 through 2013; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-086)

Correspondence received from Ms. Beverly Collier requesting a rental registration hearing be set for February 20, 2014 for property located at 6619 Madison Avenue. Recommendation by Mr. Smith to set this matter for February 20, 2014; Mr. Dostatni concurred. (Ins. No. 14-087)

Specific Finding of Fact and Decision on property located at 1618 Myrtle Avenue. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni to approve subject to the year appealed being corrected if necessary; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins No. 14-088)

Amusement Devices for the week of February 3, 2014. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-089)

Correspondence received from Mr. Jeff Troutner requesting "Resident Parking Only" signs at 6936 Baring Avenue and 7120 Columbia Avenue, correspondence received from Ms. Catherine Boria requesting "Cross Traffic Does Not Stop" signs on the already existing north/south stop signs in the Hessville area and correspondence received from Mrs. Concella Scott requesting "Resident Parking Only" signs at 6817 Wicker Avenue. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni to refer the requests to the Public Works Department; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-090)

Receipt of Supplemental Discovery from Attorney Curtis Vosti for property located at 1010 Hoffman Street. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 14-091)

Correspondence received from 6th District Councilman Homero Hinojosa requesting ornamental lighting on the 6500, 6600, 6700 and 6800 blocks of Montana Avenue, around Miller School, and the 6600, 6700 and 6800 blocks of Maryland Avenue and Missouri Avenue from 165th Street to 169th Street. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni to refer this matter to the Engineering Department; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-092)

Garage Sale permit submitted for approval. Recommendation by Mr. Dostatni; Mr. Smith concurred. (Ins. No. 14-093)

Under Meeting Opened to the Public, a citizen addressed the Board and said there are two (2) properties that should be demolished, 620 Roosevelt Drive has been vacant for ten (10) years and 651 – 119th Street which also has been vacant for over ten (10) years and is unsafe. The gentleman then said both properties have been bought by a land development company, still sit vacant and are a hazard to the community and in closing said he wanted to bring these properties to the attention of the Building Department.

There being no further business to come before the Board, recommendation by Mr. Smith to adjourn; Mr. Dostatni concurred. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

APPROVED: March 10, 2014

By: _____
Stanley Dostatni, Vice President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary