

MINUTES
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works & Safety convened at 9:03 a.m., in Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Lendi –present; Mr. Dostatni – present; Mr. Smith – present.

Motion by Mr. Dostatni to defer approval of the minutes of the meeting of August 29, 2013; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Consent to Modifications with Chicago SMSA Limited Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Lendi. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-851)

Correspondence received from the Veterans Views Radio Show requesting approval of the placement of a Military Memorial Honoring those serving “Operation Enduring Freedom”. Mr. Christopher Moore, Nies Engineering, appeared and stated this memorial will located at Douglas Street and Hohman Avenue which is on City owned property, sponsors have been confirmed and the cost will be covered by them. Mr. Moore then said a ground breaking will take place at 11:00 a.m. on September 11, 2013. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-852)

Correspondence received from Mr. James Callahan, Chief of Inspections advising of the low bidders on the demolitions of 5506 Alice Avenue, 1426 Amy Street, 5535 Beall Avenue, 5612 Beall Avenue, 5653 Claude Avenue, 4908 Columbia Avenue, 823 Dracker Street, 1004 Kenwood Street, 4 Locust Street, 7419 Madison Avenue, 918 Michigan Street, 1724 Michigan Street, 855 Sibley Street, 1169 Sibley Street, 5661 Sohl Avenue – Rear House Only, 5415 Tell Avenue, 845 Truman Street, 5659 Walter Avenue, 4404 Towle Avenue and 4504 Towle Avenue. Mr. Dostatni advised JM Industrial Services, Inc. was low bidder on all demolitions. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Lendi. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-853)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police Brian Miller requesting approval of an unpaid leave of absence from September 14, 2013 to November 9, 2013 for Officer C. Ramirez. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried (Ins. No. 13-854)

Hearing on property located at 1459 Truman Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Kurt Koch, Building Commissioner, stated all inspections were done and the property has been removed from the demo list. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-855)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 6652 Howard Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Matt Saliga, Inspector, Inspections Department, requested this matter be continued to November 14, 2013. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL.

Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-856)

Correspondence received from Attorney James Driscoll requesting continuances of hearing set for today on 12 Lawndale Street, 714 Sibley Street, 268 – 169th Street and 912 Summer Street. Motion by Mr. Smith to continue these matters to October 3, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-857)

Correspondence received from Attorney David Saks regarding his withdrawal of appearance for Mr. Eliseo Carlos, property owner of 1020 Highland Street. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 13-858)

Correspondence received from Attorney David Saks regarding work done on property located at 4815 Pine Avenue. Mr. Saliga requested the Board dismiss this action as the violations have been corrected. Motion by Mr. Smith to dismiss the action; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-859)

Proposal received from JM Industrial Services, Inc. for demolition of property located at 642 Willow Court in the amount of \$8,800. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-860)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 6738 Olcott Avenue. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-861)

Restriction on Use of Property located at 1162 Truman Street submitted for approval. Mr. Saliga requested the deed restriction, stating in part the 2nd floor may not be used for occupancy, be approved. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-862)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings on property located at 5713 Erie Avenue and 4413 State Line Avenue. Motion by Mr. Smith to set these matters for hearing on September 19, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-863)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Street Commissioner, regarding the request for “Residential Parking” signage at 5717 Erie Avenue. Mr. Gleason advised this type of sign is not warranted at this location as the block is all residential. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-864)

Correspondence received from Purdue University Calumet requesting permission to have a live band play from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Second Annual Campout for Hunger, September 19, 2013. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-865)

Application of Music Event received from LaFogata, 4434 Calumet Avenue, requesting permission to have a live band play from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., on September 6, 2013. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to approve subject to it not hampering traffic flow on Calumet Avenue; seconded by

Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-866)

Correspondence received from the Downtown Hammond Council requesting street closure of Waltham Street from Hohman Avenue to Lyman Avenue, September 21, 2013 from 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the 8th Annual Bizarre Bazaar. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-867)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-868)

License Agreement for environmental monitoring at property located at Luke Oil, 10770 Indianapolis Boulevard. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-869)

Under Matters from Other Board Members, Mr. Dostatni received Findings and Order Rescinding Order of November 10, 2011 regarding property located at 1043 – 45 Becker Street. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-870)

Mr. Smith received correspondence from 3rd District Councilman Anthony W. Higgs requesting replacement of a light pole on the 900 block of Highland Street. Motion by Mr. Smith to refer this matter to the Engineering Department; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES AL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-871)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Smith to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

APPROVED: September 19, 2013

By: _____
Robert Lendi, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary