MINUTES
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
OCTOBER 24, 2013

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works & Safety convened at 9:02 a.m., in Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Lendi – present; Mr. Dostatni – present; Mr. Lendi – present.

Motion by Mr. Dostatni to defer the approval of the minutes of the meeting of October 10, 2013 and October 17, 2013; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Bid opening – Hammond/Purdue University Calumet Outdoor Athletics Complex at Dowling Park. Mr. Dostatni stated that he would read base bids only as there are eleven (11) alternate bids. Base bids received as follows:

Nichols & Associates, Inc.	$4,699,024.00
Gariup Construction Co., Inc.	$4,367,500.00
Hassee Construction Co., Inc.	$4,268.000.00
Larson Danielson Construction Company, Inc.	$4,268,000.00
Gough, Inc.	$4,065,000.00
Burling Builders, Inc.	$4,052,000.00

Motion by Mr. Dostatni to refer the bids to the consulting engineer for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. ****)

Change Order No. 7 for the 169th Street project R-31466 received from American Structurepoint for the switching the subgrade treatment to cement Mr. Dostatni advised the cost is $56,654.30 of which 80% will be paid with federal money. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1040)

Work Order received from AT&T to relocate cable at I-80/94 and Kennedy Avenue. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1040)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1041)

Hearing on property located at 6519 Jackson Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Nick Farrell, Inspector, Inspections Department, appears. Mr. Farrell requested that the action on 6519 Jackson Avenue be dismissed as repairs have been made. Mr. Farrell then said property owner, Mr. Robert Jansma, also owns 38 Detroit Street and that the citation on this property needs to be continued. Motion by Mr. Smith to dismiss action on 65196 Jackson Avenue and to continue 38 Detroit Street to November 21, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1042)

Correspondence received from Attorney Robert H. Sorge requesting a continuance of the hearing on property located at 4231 Wabash Avenue. Motion by Mr. Smith to continue this matter to November 21, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1043)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 8 Waltham Street. Property owner, Mr. Mirko Kljajic, appears. Mr. Matt Saliga, Inspector, Inspections Department, appears and stated that there were no permits to convert this building to four (4) units, there is no fire separation between units, it is zoned R-1 which would not this number of units and that two (2) units have been marked "Uninhabitable". Mr. Saliga then requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order requiring the removal of one (1) of the first floor apartments and one (1) of the second floor apartments. Mr. Kljajic then said he has had permits to ** ***. There being no to affirm, this ******* dies for lack of motion. (Ins. No. 13-1044)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 1134 Wilcox Street. Property owner, Mr. Dwayne Washington, who lives is Massachusetts, appears by a member of his management company. Mr. Saliga stated there were no permits issued to convert the second floor into an apartment, no fire separation and then requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order. Motion by Mr. Smith to affirm the Findings and Order requiring the removal of the illegal second floor apartment; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1045)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 612 Sibley Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Saliga said there were no permits issued to convert the property into one (1) addition first and second floor apartment, there is no fire separation and the owners will comply with the rehabilitation. Mr. Saliga requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1046)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 7433 Madison Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Saliga stated no permits were issued to convert the 2^{nd} floor into an apartment. Mr. Saliga then stated the work has been completed, the second floor unit removed and requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order. Motion by Mr. Smith to affirm the Findings and Order; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1047)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 6033 Erie Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Attorney Christian Bartholomew sent correspondence requesting this matter be continued. Motion by Mr. Smith to continue this matter to November 21, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1048)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 5713 Erie Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Gregorio Hernandez, appears. Mr. Matt Saliga, Inspector, Inspections Department, appears. Mr. Saliga said there is an illegal second floor apartment in this building and requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order to remove the illegal unit. Mr. Hernandez stated that his brother, sister in law

and their children live in the house and they do not pay rent. Motion by Mr. Smith to have a deed restriction recorded on the property indicating this property may only be used as single family; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1049)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 4751 Elm Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Carlos Nazario, appears. Mr. Saliga requested the Board affirm the order to remove the illegal 2nd floor apartment that was installed without permits. Mr. Nazario said the building is vacant and gutted. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to have a deed restriction placed on the property indicating this property may only be used as a single family home; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1050)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 249 Carroll Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Saliga stated there is an illegal basement and 1st floor apartment that were installed without permits and requested the Board affirm the Findings and Order requiring the removal of these units. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1051)

Letter "Y" on the agenda was then taken out of order. Mr. Lendi advised Attorney Marco Molina appeared and stated **********. Motion by Mr. Smith to continue this matter to October 31, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-10

Correspondence received from Mr. Lawrence Leggin requesting a continuance of a rental registration hearing on property located at 1043 Morris Street set for today. Motion by Mr. Smith to continue this matter to November 14, 2013 and advised Mr. Leggin this is a final continuance; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1053)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 929 Lyons Street. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Nick Farrell, Inspector, Inspections Department, requested the appeal be denied. Motion by Mr. Smith to assess rental registration at $80 per unit and impose a late fee of $500 per unit; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1054)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6405 Kennedy Avenue. Property owner fails to appear. Motion by Mr. Smith to assess rental registration of $80 per unit and late fee of $500 per unit; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1055)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 3928 Robinhood Lane. Property owner, Ms. Rayvon Monroe, appears. Ms. Monroe stated she bought the property last year, paid rental registration and thought it was a one (1) time fee. Motion by Mr. Smith to grant the appeal and assess rental registration at $80 per unit; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1056)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1050 – 177th Street. Property owner, Mr. Richard Meyo, appears. Mr. Meyo stated he rented this property in 2013 and was not aware of the

fee. Motion by Mr. Smith to assess rental registration at $80 per unit for 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1057)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 4208 Henry Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Adalberto Pandoro, appears. Mr. Pandoro requested an interpreter. Motion by Mr. Smith to reset this matter for November 21, 2013 and have an interpreter present; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1058)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings on property located at 249 Carroll Street, 7207 Kentucky Avenue and 7148 Arkansas Avenue. Motion by Mr. Smith to set these matters for November 21, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1059)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 7243 State Line Avenue. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1060)

Correspondence received from Ms. Donna Muta, Superintendent, Hammond Parks and Recreation, requesting titles on various vehicles which will be sold. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1061)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Street Commissioner, regarding a "Residential Only Parking" sign request on the 6400 block of Ohio Avenue and requesting permission for a bench to be placed at the 700 block of 171st Street, alongside Dairy Belle. Mr. Dostatni advised the signage request is denied as the block is all residential. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to approve the bench placement subject to Clear Zone requirement and approve the signage denial; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1062)

Correspondence received from Mr. Edward Wicks requesting a hearing on the denial of an Auto Dealer's License for Luxury Only Vehicle Exchange, LLC. Corporation Counsel Kristina Kantar advised the cases out of Illinois occurred over ten (10) years ago. Motion by Mr. Smith to grant the Auto Dealer's License due to the time that has elapsed with no further violations; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1063)

Correspondence received from Mr. Leroy Newsome requesting a hearing on the denial of an Auto Dealer's License for Royce Auto Sales, Inc. Motion by Mr. Smith to set this matter for November 14, 2013; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1064)

Correspondence received from Ms. Majeeda Bostic requesting speed bumps on Kane Street between Calumet Avenue and Sohl Street. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to deny this request as speed bumps on City right of way are illegal; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1065)

Correspondence received from Mrs. Easton requesting crosswalks and school zone warnings around Scott Middle School, 3635 – 173rd Street. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to refer this matter to the

Street Department; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1066)

Correspondence received from Mr. Joseph Kruczek requesting a "No Parking Any Time" sign at Sheffield Avenue and 139th Street be removed. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to refer this matter to the Street Department; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1067)

Garage Sale permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 13-1068)

Under Meeting Opened to the Public, Ms. Martha Lopez, property owner of 6033 Erie Avenue, stated that she has not hired Attorney Bartholomew to represent her. Mr. Smith advised that this matter be has been continued to November 21, 2013 and she may appear at that time.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Dostatni to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Smith. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

APPROVED: November 21, 2013

By:_____
Robert Lendi, President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary