

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY**  
**OCTOBER 8, 2015**

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. Krusa – absent; Mr. Dostatni – present; Mr. Smith – present.

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

Recommendation by Mr. Smith to defer approval of the minutes of the meeting of June 11, 2015; Mr. Dostatni concurred.

Mr. Krusa appears for the meeting and rules of procedure are reinstated.

Request for advertising dates of October 15, 2015 and October 22, 2015 with a bid opening date of November 5, 2015 for the 6th District Local Street Project – Maryland Avenue Lighting Improvements. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2837)

Contract with Midwestern Electric, Inc. for the 2nd District Local Street Lighting Improvement Project. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-927)

Amendment No. 2 received from American Structurepoint, Inc. for the Reconstruction and Widening of Chicago Street between Brainard Avenue and White Oak Avenue. Mr. Dostatni said the amendment is due to parcels being added to the right of way agreement. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-928)

Indiana Department of Transportation - Local Public Agency Project Coordination Contract for pedestrian bridge at Calumet Avenue and Conkey Street. Mr. Dostatni said the contract is being done to obtain a grant for construction. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-929)

Change Order No. 2 for the California Avenue Street Reconstruction Project 169th Street to 167th Street received from Garcia Consulting Engineers. Mr. Dostatni said the change order represents an \$80,000 decrease in cost. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-930)

Change Order No. 2 for the California Avenue Street Reconstruction Project – 167th Street to 165th Street received from Garcia Consulting Engineers. Mr. Dostatni said this change order is an \$118,875 decrease in cost. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-931)

Correspondence received from CSX Transportation requesting road closure at Wabash Avenue and the CSX rail crossing beginning October 8, 2015 through October 12, 2015 and Ash Avenue and the CSX rail crossing from October 8, 2015 through October 12, 2015. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-932)

Bid recommendation received from Mr. James Callahan, Chief of Inspections, for demolition of properties located at 6817 Baring Avenue, 927 Bauer Street, 7416 Beech Avenue, 7821 Beech Avenue (house and garage), 6013 – 59 Calumet Avenue to JM Industrial Services, Inc. , 7345 Chestnut Avenue to D&R Site Services, 1049 Cleveland Street to Actin Contracting, LLC, 1126 Drackert Street, 6035 Erie Avenue, 6353 Forest Avenue to JM Industrial Services, Inc., 7413 Harrison Avenue to Actin Contracting, LLC, 430 Highland Street to D&R Site Services, 1015 Hoffman Street to JM Industrial Services, Inc., 5137 – 45 Hohman Avenue – No bid awarded, will be re-bid, 821 Indiana Street, 6746 Jackson Avenue to JM Industrial Services, Inc., 4615 Johnson Avenue to D&R Site Services, 7545 Linden Avenue, 970 Murray Street to JM Industrial Services, Inc., 6432 New Hampshire Avenue, 6105 – 11 Noble Avenue to Gary Material Supply, 709 119th Street, 1333 – 1337 150th Street, 3121 165th Street, 1323 170th Street, 913 175th Place to JM Industrial Services, Inc. , 1606 177th Street to D&R Site Services and Gary Material Supply tied at \$7,500 – no award until tie resolved, 1014 Reese Street – previously bid and awarded, 737 Spruce Street – demolished – no bid award, 6446 Tennessee Avenue, 1105 Truman Street to JM Industrial Services, Inc. and 5853 Wallace Avenue to RSR Demolition. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-933)

Correspondence received from Mr. Brian Poland, Director of City Planning, requesting permission to go forward with the subdivision at Northcote Avenue and Clay Street. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-934)

Status hearing on property located at 6320 Harrison Avenue. Property owner, Ms. Alison Kuo, fails to appear. A representative of Property Liquidator's appears for property owner and said the contractor working on the property walked off the job and Ms. Kuo may sue. Ms. Kantar advised this matter has been pending since September 27, 2012 and requested this matter be set for status on November 12, 2015. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-935)

Status hearing on property located at 2408 Birch Avenue. Property owner appears by attorney. Mr. Kelly Kearney, Code Enforcement Commissioner, said no inspections have been done on the property. Mr. Kurt Koch, Building Commissioner, said a permit has been issued for work to be done on the property but it has not been picked up yet. Ms. Kantar requested this matter be set for status. Motion by Mr. Dostatni to set this matter for hearing on November 12, 2015; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-936)

Agreements to Rehabilitate Property Located at 7821 Birch Avenue and 531 Cherry Street. Ms. Kantar advised that both properties had previously been on the demolition list. Motion by Mr. Dostatni; seconded by Mr. Smith. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-937)

Correspondence received from Ms. Angelique Jacobson-Castellanos requesting a rental

registration hearing for property located at 6528 Meadow Lane. Motion by Mr. Smith to set this matter for November 12, 2015; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-938)

Correspondence received from Mr. Anthony DeVito requesting his rental registration hearing be reset to November 19, 2015. Motion by Mr. Smith to reset this matter to November 19, 2015; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-939)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Smith; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 15-940)

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 9:18 a.m.

APPROVED:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Stanley Dostatni, President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary