

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JANUARY 18, 2018

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, January 18, 2018, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Dostatni - present; Ms. Garay - present; Mr. Margraf- present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 11, 2018; seconded by Ms. Margraf

Bid opening – 2nd District Decorative Lighting – Condit Street from State Line Avenue to Hohman Avenue, Indiana Street from Calumet Avenue to Maywood Avenue, Truman Street from Calumet Avenue to Maywood Avenue, Walnut Avenue from Roosevelt Street to Michigan Street, White Oak Avenue from Roosevelt Street to Michigan Street, Hickory Avenue from Chicago Street to Hoffman Street, Elm Avenue from Chicago Street to Hoffman Street and Columbia Avenue from 143rd Street to Gostlin Street. Bids received as follows:

Hawk Enterprises, Inc.	\$691,208.39
TGB Unlimited d/b/a Bancroft Electric	\$695,739.35
Midwestern Electric, Inc.	\$807,384.23

Motion by Ms. Garay to refer the bids to the consulting engineer for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2846)

Mr. Dostatni recognized Councilwoman at Large Janet Venecz and Councilman Scott Rakos in the audience.

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work on Kent Avenue. Mr. Dostatni advised underground conduit and a control box will be installed. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-023)

Correspondence received from Hasse Construction Co., Inc. requesting approval to conduct underground utility investigation at 126th Street and New York Avenue at a cost of \$41,995. Mr. Dostatni said the Port Authority will pay for the investigation of an underground tunnel at the location. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-024)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty requesting approval of Tyler Niven being appointed as a Probationer member of the Hammond Police Department to serve a one (1) year probationary period effective January 16, 2018. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-025)

Blight Elimination Program, Rounds One and Two, Notice of Successful Application and Hearing. Attorney Kevin Smith appears for the City and requested this matter be heard at the end of the agenda as individuals from Indianapolis have not yet arrived.

Finding of Fact and Decision on property located at 1723 Summer Street/HRP LLC. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-026)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Garay to set this matter for February 15, 2018; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-027)

Release of Lien on property located at 6518 Parrish Avenue submitted for approval. Corporation Counsel, Ms. Kristina Kantar, advised the lien will be released but the demolition order is not being rescinded. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYED ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-028)

License Agreement Renewal with Porter's Apparel, Inc., 4510, 4524, 4532 and 4536 Hohman Avenue for groundwater testing. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-029)

Amusement Device Listing for the week of January 15, 2018. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-030)

Correspondence received from HC3 requesting approval of the 4th Annual Live in the Ville event to be held on June 1 and 2, 2018, road closures, picnic tables, trash receptacles and an EMA escort for the lighted motorcycle parade. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 18-031)

Under Old Business, Mr. Jose Galvan, property owner of 1524 Summer Street appears and said he is waiting on a report to determine if there is asbestos in the building and if there is not, he will self-demolish. Mr. Galvan said he would like to begin demolition on January 25, 2018. Chief of Inspections, Mr. Kelly Kearney, said once the demolition is complete the order to demolish will be rescinded. (Ins. No. 18-032)

The meeting then went back to letter "E" on the agenda. Blight Elimination Program, Rounds One and Two, Notice of Successful Application and Hearing. Mr. Smith asked if there was anyone in the audience who cared to make a Public Comment about this program. As there was no one in the audience who cared to comment, the public hearing was closed. (Ins. No. 18-033)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Garay to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Kevin Margraf, Vice President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette