

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, January 24, 2019, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Ms. Garay – present; Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to defer approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 17, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Contract with Walsh & Kelly, Inc. for the construction of the Multi-Use Trail from Hoffman Street and Torrence Avenue to the intersection of 142nd Street and Baltimore Avenue at a cost of \$678,281.13. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-035)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work at 2146 Indianapolis Boulevard. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-036)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty requesting Sergeant James Onoham and Sergeant Anthony Pinarski be transferred from the Uniform Division to the CID Division, effective January 27, 2019 and personnel issues. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-037)

Purchasing Agent listing received from the Hammond Department of Environmental Management. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 19-038)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 250 Dyer Boulevard. Property owner fails to appear. Mr. Rich Castro, Inspector, Inspection Department, said notification by regular mail was not returned but the certified mail was returned unclaimed. Mr. Castro then said there are two (2) illegal basement apartments, one (1) first floor apartment and a second floor apartment all of which were constructed without permits. Mr. Castro then requested the Board approve the Findings requiring the removal of all of the apartments by a licensed contractor. Motion by Mr. Margraf to affirm the Findings; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-039)

Hearing on property located at 1933 Roosevelt Drive. Attorney Douglas Kvachkoff fails to appear. Ms. Kristina Kantar, Corporation Counsel, requested this matter be continued to February 14, 2019. Motion by Mr. Margraf to continue this matter to February 14, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-040)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 6831 – 29 Arizona Avenue. Property owner appears and said the property was vacant in 2018. Mr. Jaime Prieto, Commissioner, Code Enforcement, said rental registration has been paid for 2019. Motion by Mr. Margraf to have an affidavit signed for 2018 stating the property was vacant in 2018; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-041)

Order to Rescind Orders to Demolish property located at 6716 California Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-042)

Correspondence received from Ms. Donna Muta, Special Events Coordinator, requesting permission to have a searchlight sky display on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at the City of Hammond's 4th 219 Day Celebration. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-043)

Correspondence received from Mr. Brian Miller, Director of Public Safety, Purdue University Northwest, and Mr. Roy Darnell, G.E. Marshall, Inc. requesting permission to close the alleyway west of Ontario Avenue and east of the main parking lot of the Purdue University Student Union to tie in a sanitary sewer lateral to the new Bioscience Building beginning January 28, 2019 at 6:00 a.m. and continuing for ten (10) days. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-044)

Amusement Device Listing submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-045)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-046)

Correspondence received from SeeClickFix requesting speed bumps be placed on the 800 and 900 block of 174th Street or a one (1) way designation. Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer this matter to the Engineering Department and Public Works; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-047)

Correspondence received from Ms. Africa Tarver, Executive Director, Department of Planning and Development, regarding the proposed amendment of the Plan for the Marina Redevelopment Area; State Line Allocation Area. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 19-048)

Under Matters from Other Board Members, Mr. Margraf received a Notice to Bidders for the Demolition of 2650 162nd Place, 838 Becker Street, 6231 Blaine Avenue, 1032 Eaton Street, 6126 Harrison Avenue, 5213 Hohman Avenue, 6938 Jackson Avenue and 261 – 63 Webb Street requesting advertising dates of January 31, 2019 and February 7, 2019 with a bid opening date of February 21, 2019. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4074)

Under Old Business, the Hammond High School Addition to the City of Hammond plat submitted for signature. Mr. Brian Poland, Director of City Planning, appeared before the Board and also submitted a memorandum regarding the necessity of the Board of Public Works & Safety's signatures to allow the subdivision plat to be recorded. Motion by Mr. Margraf to sign; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-049)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Margraf to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Heather Garay, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary