BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 10, 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 approve the minutes of the meeting of September 26, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Request for bid dates of October 17, 2019 and October 24, 2019 with a bid opening date of November 7, 2019 for the 5th District Lighting Project – Phase 3 – Alexander Avenue from I-80/94 to 173rd Street, Marshall Avenue from I-80/94 to 173rd Street and 174th and 175th Streets from Alexander Avenue to Marshall Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 2845)

Request for bid dates of October 17, 2019 and October 24, 2019 with a bid opening date of November 7, 2019 for the 5th and 6th District Lighting Project – Phase 4 – Grand Avenue from 177th Street to Orchard Avenue. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. Nos. 2845 and 2837)

Bid recommendation received from VS Engineering for the 2019 2nd District Lights and Sidewalk Project to Midwestern Electric, lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Dostatni. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-733)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty requesting Officers Daniel Drudge and David Deboer receive Evidence Technician Specialty Pay, effective September 27, 2019 and disciplinary matters. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-734)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 1017 Ames Street. Property owner, Mr. Javier Antunez, appears. Mr. Antunez said that he bought the property in November of 2016 and did not have any renters until August 16, 2019. Mr. Kearney said that Mr. Antunez also owns 228 Brunswick Street. Motion by Mr. Margraf to waive the late fee and assess rental registration at $5 per unit for 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-735)

Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 2021 Lake Avenue. Mr. Kearney said the property owners had originally requested an eight (8) month extension which he objects to. Mr. Smith said the property owners recently received a tax deed showing ownership and have been talking with Mr. Lewter, Inspector, who requested the agreement. Ms. Garay said the extension date is December 13, 2019. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-736)

Correspondence received from the Whiting Christmas Committee requesting EMA or Hammond Police Department assistance at their Christmas Parade, to be held on Friday, December 6, 2019 with line up beginning at 6:00 p.m.at the parking lot on 119th Street and Davis Avenue and 119th Street across from Hammond Clark High School. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-737)

Correspondence received from Ms. Debra Svitko, 7116 Jefferson Avenue, requesting parking be restricted in the front of her home from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday, November 1, 2019, for a memorial/funeral services for Ms. Margaret J. Whitaker, a school teacher for the City Ms. Svitko appears and said there is limited space to park on her block and would like the parking in front of her home restricted for disabled and elderly persons to park. Mr. Margraf asked if cones could be used to mark the spots and have someone stand in that area to move the cones when that area needs to be used. Ms. Svitko agreed that the cones should work. Motion by Mr. Margraf to supply cones to Ms. Svitko for November 1, 2019; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-738)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-739)

Under Matters from Other Departments/Their Representatives, Mr. Dean Button, City Engineer, requested approval of an a proposal for Geotechnical Engineering Exploration at the Toll Road (I-90) and Kennedy Avenue – Marquette Greenway -in the amount of $3,250.00. Motion by Mr. Margraf; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-740)

Mr. Button then requested the Board open three (3) quotes for electronic message boards to be placed on the Monon Trail. Mr. Button gave Ms. Garay three (3) envelopes which contained the following:

Economy Signs	$96,895.00
A-1 Affordable Signs	$81,440.00 (some costs not included)
Legacy Signs	$79,450.00 (permit fees not included)

Motion by Mr. Margraf to refer the bids to the Engineering Department for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 19-741)

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 9:29 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:_____
Heather Garay, President

ATTEST:

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Lynn Laviolette, Secretary