

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF MARCH 3, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, March 3, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present; Mr. Perez – present.

Motion by Mr. Long to approve the Minutes of the meeting of February 10, 2022, February 17, 2022 and February 24, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters from Other Department Heads, Mr. Margraf recommends the request that a temporary stop signs at 143rd and Cameron is warranted. Mr. Button agrees. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-091)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Fire Chief, Jeffery Smith recommending the promotion of Engineer Bradley Sylvester to be promoted to the rank of Captain and Private Casey McClusky be promoted to the rank of Engineer retroactive February 28, 2022. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-092)

Correspondence received from Dean Button advising that Rieth-Riley Construction Co. will be closing US 41, as well as Exit 3 WB on ramp between 129th and 131st Street on March 14, 2022. Mr. Button states is this continued work from last season. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-093)

Correspondence received from Milestone requesting to restrict traffic on the south side of Chicago Street starting March 4, 2022 for approximately two weeks, additionally closing Towle, Cameron, Henry and Torrence Avenue. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-094)

Correspondence received from Purdue University Northwest advising they are holding a concert event on April 8, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in their south parking lot and respectfully requesting a variance to the City of Hammond Noise Disturbance Statue 97.20 for this event. Mr. Smith questions which ordinance it would be violating. Motion by Mr. Long to defer; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-095)

Correspondence received from Ron Novak requesting the approval of the Proposed License Agreement for property located at the 1200 and 1300 blocks of Lakeview Avenue. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-096)

Correspondence received from the Whiting Robertsdale Events Coordinator requesting permission to hold the Annual Garage Mahal Event on Saturday, May 21, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to

4:00 p.m. with more than 200 residents participating. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-097)

Correspondence received from Korellis Roofing advising that the previously approved request to block the right lane of Hohman Avenue, in front of the Towle Theater, to place a dumpster each morning from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for approximately three weeks was postponed due to the weather and has now been scheduled to start March 8, 2022. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-098)

Correspondence received from Mark Gordish requesting the approval to convert Waltham Street between Harrison and Blain to a two-way traffic pattern from March 3, 2022 through March 31, 2022 for the relation of water and sewer mains for the NICT project. Mr. Gordish states the sewer and water need to be moved further east. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-099)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Mr. Long to set for March 24, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-100)

Under New Business, Proposal for Professional Services for the Clark Field Development with Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$19,650.00. Mr. Button states this is for the redevelopment of Clark Field, ARP funding. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-101)

A Resolution Authorizing the Hammond Police Department, by the Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety, to Transfer Ownership of a Canine to the City of Portage Police Department. Mr. Smith states the canine is personal property and we will need an identical resolution from Portage. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4102) (Ins. No. 22-102)

Disposal Authorizations submitted from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-103)

Right of Way Permits (2) submitted for approval from Engineering Department. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-104)

Plat of Wedgewood Field Addition submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-105)

Rental registration for the properties located at: 3823 Oakcrest Lane – Property manager present. Mr. Farrell states this is a single-family home, owe for 2021. Motion by Mr. Long to waive for 2021; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-106)

2734 Cleveland – Property manager present. Motion by Mr. Long to waive for 2021; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-106)

4937 Walnut – Property owner present. Mr. Farrell states this is for 2020 and 2021, Knox address is accurate, Motion by Mr. Long to waive the late fee for 20/21 and to fill out the homestead exemption form; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-106)

Under Old Business, Property owner from 1323 Sherman Street to explained the confusion as to what happen last week with security sending to Russell Street. Mr. Farrell states she has owned the property since 2007 and was before the Board in 2020 and the late fee was waived. Motion by Mr. Long to assess the late fee due to it being waived in 2020; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-106)


Under Meeting Opened to the Public, Mr. Smith that's he researched the Noise Ordinance and has no problem with Purdue proceeding with their event. Motion by Mr. Long to withdraw his previous motion and approve this event; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. 22-095)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Long to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Perez. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: 
Kevin Margraf, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary