

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2022

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, December 15, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Huerta – present; Ms. Greenwell – present.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button recommending the award for the Tailor Row Site Preparation project be awarded to Dyer Construction, who is the lowest, responsible and responsive bidder in the amount of \$631,999.59 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-707)

Correspondence received from Dean Button submitting Milestone Contractors North, Inc. offer to extend contract prices for one additional year on their existing agreement through 2023 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-708)

Under New Matters, Agreement to Purchase Real Estate, Sales Disclosure Form, and Quit Claim Deed for property located at 6235 Monroe Avenue submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states this is the abutting landowner and this was the only proposal submitted. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-709)

Right of Way Permits (3) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-710)

Notice of Violation hearing for property at 7235-41 Calumet Avenue. Inspector Jordan states this is a commercial C4 zoned which has 4 residential apartments upstairs, 3 were occupied by tenants, which condition of the properties were unfit for residential uses. None of the 4 units met the minimum ceiling height requirements, no fire separation between any units and community garage space. Initial call from resident that roofers working with no permits. Owner is listed as Don Pipping and The Pipping Investments Family LTD. Mr. Long asks if they were given enough time to appear. Inspector Jordan states no, he was going to request a status date. Mr. Smith requests notice be sent via certified mail with proper notice. Inspector states units were marked uninhabitable and report sent to Norma Herrera who has an unrecorded land contract who will also be notified. Motion by Ms. Huerta to give proper notice and set status for January 19, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-711)

Vacant property/rental registration regarding property at 1238 177th Place. Owner states he bought rental property in July and was doing repairs and painting before renting out. Mr. Smith states city has a vacant property ordinance that they have to register every year by October 1, within 90 days of becoming vacant. Owner bought in July, applied to register rental within 60

days, suggest waiving vacant property fee and be allowed to register for rental. Motion by Ms. Huerta to waive the vacant registration fee and allow to register rental; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-712)

Under Old Business, Status 847 117th Street. Mr. Smith states this is the old library up north. Mr. and Mrs. Ciers appear. Inspector Chris states electrical upgrade on the property. Mr. Ciers states a lot of work needs to be done. Mrs. Ciers states having problem with collecting rent, financial issues, hopefully next month they can get started again, doing best they can. General contractor issues, wants to get list of contractors to work. Ultimate use of property is for them to live there. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set for status on March 16, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 4905 Linden St. Mr. Taylor and Mr. Castro do not appear. Mr. Smith states Mr. Taylor has been continuing to work on property, slow process. Need an order for Mr. Taylor to appear. Mr. Castro to appear with an update. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set for status on December 29, 2022; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – temporary stop signs at Vine and Arizona. Mr. Button would like to leave through the construction, request status date. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve the continuation of signs and set for status on March 16, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – Bank Calumet Building – temporary signage. Mr. Smith would like to set over for one week and request Anne Anderson for a status. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set for status on December 22, 2022; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – First Baptist Church street closure. Representative appears. Many people trying to exit, safer way to dismiss, how to better close down street so kids can go straight to bus. After much discussion, Mr. Button will meet with church separately, unclear as to what is needed and will discuss a plan. No action by the Board.

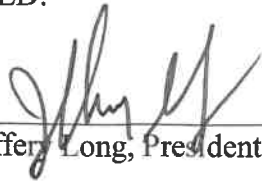
Under Rental Registration Hearings, 6413 Blaine Ave. Owner present. Motion by Ms. Huerta to waive late fee; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ind. No. 22-713)

3706 Nebraska. Owner present. Motion by Ms. Huerta to waive late fee; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ind. No. 22-713)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Huerta to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary