

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, January 19, 2023, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Huerta – present; Ms. Greenwell – present.

Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve the Minutes of the meeting of January 5, 2023 and January 12, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button, Capital Improvements Board, requesting \$14,032.69 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the JF Mahoney Drive Supplemental Construction with Milestone Contractors North submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-027)

Correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police requesting approval of the resignation of Probationary Officer Petar Krkobabic effective January 16, 2023 and the Petition for Retirement of Sergeant Derick Thompson who has served the citizens of Hammond for 29 years to become effective at the close of business on June 24, 2023. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-028)

Correspondence received from Felix Gonzalez, Director of Public Works requesting approval to place “No Dumping” signs at 6235 Monroe and 216 Ogden, as these are empty lots. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-029)

Correspondence received from NIES Engineering requesting advertising dates of January 26, 2023 and February 2, 2023 with a bid opening of February 16, 2023 for the 2023 Hammond Sidewalk Program submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 4124

Correspondence received from Summerill Law Firm requesting the approval for the proposal to prepare and submit the application to the U.S. Marshals Service and negotiating out of cycle economic rate adjustment for Intergovernmental Service Agreement (IGA) # 21-01-0046. Mr. Smith acknowledged. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-030)

Correspondence received from Kelly Voris, HC3 Event Committee requesting permission to hold the annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade on Friday, March 17, 2023 with a start up at 5:30 at Harding School, traveling west down 165th Street, north onto Kennedy Avenue and ending at 161st St. Additionally, requesting EMA/Police escort for a rolling street closure for the parade and barricades to be placed at all cross streets and alleys along the parade route. Mr. Kalina is

aware and is ready to go. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-031)

Correspondence received from Larry Fentress, Parade Chairman requesting permission to hold the Hammond Mohawks' Memorial Day Parade on May 29, 2023 with parade route attached. Mr. Kalina is aware. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-032)

Under New Business, Supervising Hospital Agreement with St. Mary Medical Center and Hammond Fire Department submitted for approval. Mr. Misiak states that this is required for an ambulance to have medical control and they chose St. Mary's as they are cutting ties with Franciscan. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-033)

Notice of Violation hearing for property located at 1434 Sherman Street. Mr. Smith provides photos, hole in roof, dead trees. Inspector Castrol states there previously was a flood and has much damage. Mr. Smith requests moving forward to affirm the order, a rehab inspection and agreement can be done. Attorney Adam Decker represents the bank, a tax sale in place with a redemption date of January 23, 2023 and should acquire title after that. Bank wants to rehab, uncertain of the time frame, requesting not to enter order and request additional time. Mr. Smith states they are allowed exterior access, clean up the outside. Welcomes Mr. Kearney back. Mr. Smith requests they can pay for an inspection and update with the deed. City will not move forward with demo even if out for bid and requests the process to move forward. Mr. Long addresses the process of moving forward which will give them additional time. Motion by Ms. Huerta to affirm the order; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-034)

Garage Sale submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-035)

Under Old Business, Status – 7235-41 Calumet. An inspection was done and has 4 apartments. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set hearing for February 16, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-036)

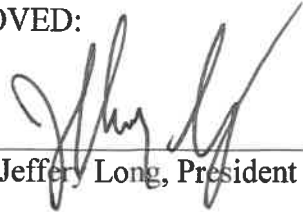
Status – 843 Logan Street. Mr. Castro gave an update. Mr. Smith states the rehab agreement end date is near, request a month status. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set for status on February 16, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration. 1443 173rd St. Mr. Farrell states ownership began in 2021, homestead on property, send to Smith Sersic for settlement. Owner appears and states he both it in 2021, lived in it until October 2022 until he rented it out. Motion by Ms. Huerta for owner to complete the affidavit for 2021, complete homestead form, waive 2022 late fee and register for 2022 and 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-037)

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 9:29 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary