

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 9, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, February 9, 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 February 2, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button, Capital Improvements Board, requesting \$60,000.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for general engineering services with NIES Engineering to perform various tasks and assignments for the Engineering Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-056)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$50,000.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for general engineering services with Advanced Engineering Services to perform on-call geotechnical services submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-057)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$98,243.56 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Schneider Avenue Storm Sewer – Change Order No. 3 Balancing Change Order with Gariup Construction and corresponding Change Order submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-058)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$48,795.60 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Kennedy Avenue Reconstruction – Change Order No. 1 Spare Conduit with Milestone Contractors North and corresponding Agreement submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-059)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$143,500.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Summer Street Resurfacing – Indianapolis Blvd. to 165th Street for design and construction with First Group Engineering and corresponding Agreement submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-060)

Report of Contract Final Inspection and Recommendation for Acceptance and Change Order No. 035 for the Contract R-38191 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve Acceptance and Change Order; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-061)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$49,815.68 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Chicago Street Phase 2 – Supplemental Construction Engineering American Structurepoint and corresponding Amendment No. 1 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve Agreement and for additional funding subject to Mayor’s signature; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-062)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$6,367.99 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Chicago Street Phase 1 – Supplemental Construction Engineering American Structurepoint and corresponding Amendment No. 1 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve Amendment and funding subject to Mayor’s signature; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-063)

Correspondence received from Assistant Chief of Police requesting approval for a disciplinary action. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-064)

Correspondence received submitting the resignation of Probationary Firefighter/ Paramedic Michael Quiroz effective January 27, 2023. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-065)

Correspondence received from Ron Novak requesting approval for the Proposed License Agreement Renewal with Remediation Management Service Company and its representative, Antea Group to perform additional environmental sampling at the property located at Roosevelt Street and White Oak Avenue. Mr. Novak stated this is a continued agreement, 20 years of monitoring 7 pipelines and request approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-066)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set for February 23, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-067)

Under New Business, Financial Consultant Annual Service Agreement received from Megan Flores, City Controller submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-068)

Order to Release Bond for 3407 Kenwood St. submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states there was no demo order and this has been rehabbed. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-069)

Garage Sale Permit submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Huerta to approve; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-070)

Under Old Business, Status – 7217 Harrison. Mr. Smith requests a 60-day status. Progress is being made. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set status for April 13, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 4440 Torrence – Mr. Smith states Mr. Medina has appeared via Zoom and has resolved two of the three properties. Have not heard from him, 3rd time no show. Photos show the place has been rehabbed, need a final inspection. Mr. Smith requests a continuance and requests Linda to notify Mr. Medina via email and mail. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set status for March 2, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 1806 Brown. Mr. Smith states there is a demolition order and no contact with the owner, Mr. Farmer over the last several years. Notified NIPSCO to terminate services. Mr. Farmer questioning why gas was turned off. Hasn't complied with orders, ready to knock down, however, sold on Tax Sale. Mr. James Travaski appears and said property was sold last year on tax sale to Pine Valley, received certificate on October 27, 2022 and waiting for deed for property from Lake County. Spoke with tenants who are in there and he wants to rehab. Mr. Smith states he is close to getting Deed, which was perfected by him. Mr. Smith suggest he should contact NIPSCO to reconnect. Mr. Travaski plans to remove tenants, and work on property, inspection has been paid. Mr. Smith wants to set over 45 days for status on deed. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set status for March 30, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

4905 Linden – Mr. Smith calls Mr. Taylor since he is present. Mr. Taylor outside is done and waiting on electrician. Mr. Castro states Mr. Taylor has renewed his contractor license and pulling permit. Mr. Smith requests taking off demo list because it is more an enforcement issued. Nick will walk through interior as to the condition submit an order to rescind. Motion by Ms. Huerta to set status for March 2, 2023; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

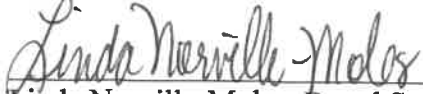
There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Huerta to adjourn; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffrey Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary