BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF APRIL 20, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2023, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – present.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve the Minutes of the meeting of April 13, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, Correspondence received from Dean Button, Capital Improvements Board, requesting $3,615.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Redesign Hohman Avenue North Approach at Sibley and corresponding Supplemental Agreement. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-220)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting $11,850.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the New Traffic Signal at Sportsplex and corresponding Agreement with Advanced Engineering for professional services submitted. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-221)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting $33,857.43 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Hohman Avenue Reconstruction Phase 1 and corresponding Change Order Nos. 7, 8, and 9 submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-222)

Correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police, requesting the following officers receive Spanish Speaking Specialty Pay effective April 13, 2023: Edgar Huerta, Elias Guido, Jose Rios, Juan Carrasco, Alexander Montano; a personnel reinstatement matter; Petition for Retirement from Sergeant Ronald Hill, who has served the citizens of Hammond for 31 ½ years effective the close of business on June 2, 2023; and the transfers of the following: Andrew Laurinec – transferred to Patrol Division, Jason Schafbuch – transferred to Detective Bureau, David Hornyak – transferred to Narcotics Division, and Richard Ray – transferred to Patrol Division, all effective April 24, 2023. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-223)

Correspondence received from Carol Squair-Price requesting permission to use the vacant lot at 7250 Kennedy Ave., which is owned by the Park Department, to operate her pop-up business stand. Mr. Smith request to deny and confirm with Park. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer to April 27, 2923; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-224)

Correspondence received requesting a rental registration hearing. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for May 11 and May 18, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-225)

Under New Business, Funding Allocation Request Form requesting $30,000 of 4th District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Tree Removal in the 4th District submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-226)

Resolution No. 4140 and Intergovernmental Agreement with Hammond Department of Redevelopment to transfer the following properties: 5658 Walter Ave., 5659 Walter Ave., 5608 Claude Ave., 5610 Claude Ave., 5638 Claude Ave., and 5640 Claude Ave. submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states this is for Jacobs Square new residential housing. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-227)

Notice to Owners of Affected Property located at 601 Conkey. The Board acknowledged. (Ins. No. 23-228)

Right of Way Permit (8) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-229)

Under Old Business, correspondence received from Kim Hunt, We Care From The Heart Social Services, 200 Russell St., requesting permission to conduct a homeless outreach event. The event will be held in the private parking lot at 200 Russell Street with various community vendors, residential services, clothing and food. This event will take place on August 2, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Mr. Smith states this was approved by Chief of Staff and Community Development. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-230)

Business License Late Fee – University Eye Institute, 2720 165th St. Mr. patel requests a waiver of the late fees. Mr. Smith would like for Mr. Patel to contact the Law Department to negotiate. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer to Law Department; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-231)

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 839 Becker – Ms. Moore appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

6810 Kennedy Ave. – Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee and remove homestead; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

4319 Torrence Ave. – Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for April 27, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

1619 River Drive - Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

7140 Beech - Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

821 State St. (3), 1135 Lyons St., 6324 Monroe Ave. – No one appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to deny the waiver of late fees for 2022; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

4718 Cedar Ave. – Mr. Mendez appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

2038 Lincoln Ave.- Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

603 Hoffman St. – Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

1130 Morris St. – Mr. Washington appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

20 Carrol St. – mail returned. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for May 4, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-232)

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:
Linda Norville-Moles
Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary