

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF AUGUST 3, 2023

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, August 3, 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 July 27, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police requesting the approval for the Petition of Retirement from Sgt. Scott Jajowka effective August 5, 2023 and has served the citizens of Hammond for 22 years; and the Petition of Retirement from Sgt. Sergio Aldana effective November 2, 2023 who has served the citizens of Hammond for 28 years. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-499)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval for Norfolk Southern Railroad to postpone their August 7th closure to August 14 and approving NICTD's request to close Hohman and Michigan for 11 days starting Wednesday, August 2, 2023 and work 7 days each week to complete. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-500)

Correspondence received from Our Lady of Czestochowa Shrine requesting assistance and approval for their annual Marin Bike Pilgrimage for Saturday, September 9, 2023 with attached route. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-501)

Correspondence received from New Zion Temple Church requesting to block Tapper Street from Merrill Street to Morris on August 5, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for their annual fellowship and requesting to have a parade on August 26, 2023 starting at 11:00 a.m. with attached parade route and requesting fire trucks and police cars to have a presence in the parade. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve and forward to Police Department and Fire Department; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-502)

Correspondence received from Brian Miller, Director of Public Safety, Purdue University Northwest, correcting their hours from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. for their previously approved event being held on August 3, 2023. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-503)

Correspondence received from resident Debra Williams, 5843 Wallace Road, requesting the curb of her driveway be painted yellow due to neighbors parking in front of her driveway.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Street Department for a follow-up; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-504)

Correspondence received from resident Jaz'Mere Matthews, House of Healing Kingdom Tabernacle requesting to block the street on Highland between Blaine and Harrison and the corner of Blaine/Highland to alley on August 12, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for their back to school event. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-505)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for August 17, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-506)

Under Matters from Other Board Members, Ms. Greenwell presents request for Beatles Fest street and alley closures. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve and forward to the Police Department, Fire Department, Public Works and EMA; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-507)

Under New Business, Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Hammond Redevelopment Commission for the Transfer of Property located at 1548 Summer Street. Mr. Smith requests to be sent to Redevelopment first for signature and set for August 17, 2023. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for August 17, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Funding Allocation Request Forms received requesting \$71,000.00 from 3rd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Overlay of Erie Avenue from Carroll St. to Eaton Street and requesting \$95,000 from 5th District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Overlay of Birch Avenue from 170th St. to Southeastern and 170th Street from White Oak to Southeastern submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-508)

SeeClickFix - requesting "no parking" signs on one side of the street at the intersection of Johnson and 143rd Street and can something be done with business trucks being parked in front of a house. Mr. Button recommends the sign "no parking here to corner" be placed 20 feet from the end of the curb radius on all corners and painted curbs. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Public Works for a follow-up; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-509)

SeeClixFix – requesting stop sign at 167th and Nevada on all 4 sides. Mr. Button has no objections to place stop signs, it would meet a warrant analysis because of the adjacent park. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve subject to Council's 7-day notice; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-510)

Right of Way Permits (2) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-511)

Disposal Authorizations received from Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-512)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve but deny 529 165th and 5924 Columbia; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-513)

Under Old Business, Status – 7235-41 Calumet. Mr. Smith requests a 60-day continuance. Mr. Golding appears and states there is continuing litigation regarding the sale and that Inspections should contact Ms. Herrera for an inspection. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on October 5, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 7507 Chestnut – Representative appears for owner. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-514)

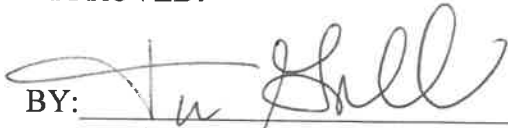
1544 Michigan – Owner appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-514)

1245 Hoffman St. Owner appears. Mr. Farrell suggest this be forwarded to Smith Sersic for the multiple years. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-514)

2016 Calumet – Owner fails to appear. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to deny waiver and forward to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-514)

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 9:35 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: 
Tinisha Greenwell, Vice President

ATTEST: 
Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary