

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, August 17, 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 August 10, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Trina Lee-Schultz, 907 Cherry St. requesting to block off Rhode Avenue from Cherry Street to the alley on September 2, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. for a birthday party with signature of the one resident it would affect. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-538)

Correspondence received from Councilman Barry Tyler requesting to block the northwest corner of the 1000 block of Moss Street on August 19, 2023 at noon for the street renaming and additionally requesting 20-30 chairs if possible. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve and forward to Street Department; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-539)

Correspondence received from the Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device licenses for Pudlo's Tap and Columbia Gyros. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-540)

Correspondence received from Jeffery Smith, Fire Chief, requesting the approval of renewal contract with Impact for the copiers/printers at their stations. Mr. Smith would like to have some time to look into this, as he believes departments have different contracts and would like to check with Controller to confirm. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer to next meeting of August 24, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-541)

Under New Business, Interlocal Governmental Agreement between the Town of Munster, Town of Highland, City of Hammond, Town of St. John and the City of Gary for the purposes of cooperating with one another and setting forth the parties' contribution toward the acquisition and implementation of signal preemption devices for emergency vehicles on signals throughout the parties' jurisdiction. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-542)

Agreement to Purchase Real Estate for 5652 Walter Ave. submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-543)

First Extension of Agreement to Rehabilitate for property located at 4749 Hickory Street and 6624 Missouri Avenue submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-544)

Order to Rescind and Release Order to Demolish property located at 6547 Madison submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-545)

Right of Way Permits (6) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Request from Paschen requesting a time extension of the Michigan Street and Hohman Avenue full road closure to set the bridge and install new traffic signals starting August 20, 2023 through August 31, 2023. Mr. Gordish states Paschen withdrew their request. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve with the exception of Paschen; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-546)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-547)

Under Old Business, SeeClickFix – request to move the stop sign on Joe Hirsch and Baring because it interferes with the alley exit. Mr. Button requests a 30-day status as he will need to complete a study at the intersection. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on September 14, 2023; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-548)

SeeClickFix - requesting a stop sign at Tapper and 175th due to speeding vehicles. Mr. Button states Indiana MUTCD specifically states stop signs are not to be used for speed control therefore a stop sign is not warranted. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer to Police Department; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23- 548)

Status – 720 Sibley – Mr. Romo states he had remodeled into a single-family home is all complete. Mr. Castro states Mr. Romo is requesting to remove the findings and order and rescind the recorded deed restriction. Mr. Smith states the deed restriction should not be removed and will work with the title company but will need that information. No action taken. (Ins. No. 23-549)

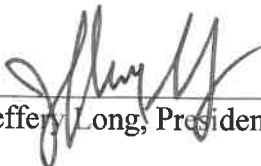
Status – 6040 Hohman – Vehicles and business license – Mr. Farrell states multiple trucks, storage containers, and expired plates on property. Citations will be issued to move the vehicles. Mr. Alvarez states has had the business license since 2015, art license pending. No action taken.

Status – 6040 Hohman – yellow paint on curb. Mr. Button states the city restriped on Hohman Avenue and has included bike lanes and no parking is available. Mr. Alvarez states it is a poor design, no handicap access and is unsafe for all people and will file something in court. Mr. Long states he can proceed with what he feels is necessary. No action taken.

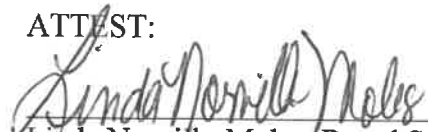
Under Rental Registration Hearings – 2716 White Oak. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 23-550)

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 9:32 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:  _____
Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:

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Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary