

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF JULY 11, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2024, 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 June 28, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

BID OPENINGS. Demolition of 6827 Kennedy Avenue.

Actin Contracting, LLC	\$27,200
JM Industrial Services	\$47,000
C. Lee Construction Services	\$27,400

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Mr. Kearney; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4171)

Under Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Smith states Attorney Petersen is present for 7235 Calumet Ave. and would like take this out of order as a courtesy. Mr. Farrell states the contractor has completed the brick work. Upon inspection of this property it had four (4) residential apartments being occupied in violation of minimum housing standards. Mr. Smith suggests an agreement with Mr. Petersen and provide him all the information that Mr. Farrell has. Mr. Petersen states he has no authority to stipulate and client is working with the City to get the property back in good standing with the commercial property. Contractors are looking to pull other permits for this issue. Mr. Smith suggests a 45-day status to complete this. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on September 12, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Mr. Gordish states Mr. Button submitted a request earlier request today for boring. Mr. Long states we will skip to this correspondence received from Advanced Engineering Services to perform soil borings in the alley behind 7317 Baring Parkway and 7434 Woodmar Avenue on or after July 8, 2024, weather permitting. No detour will be needed. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-369A)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police recommending the following applicants be appointed as Probationer members of the Hammond Police Department to serve their one year probationary period effective July 11, 2024: Jonathan Reichelt, Chantey Taylor-Payne, Samuel Valdez, Antonio Temores, Anthony Munoz, Jacob Hood, and James Armstrong; requesting the approval for Sergeant Marcus May to received Firearms Instructor Specialty Pay effective June 21, 2024; and the following Officers be promoted to the rank of Corporal effective July 13, 2024: Hunter Hutts, Anthony Armijo, Adam

Ter Haar, Martin Picazzo, Juan Diaz, Daniel Heredia, Joseph Calkins, Deryk Brja, Gabriel Blanco and Edgar Martinez. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-369)

Correspondence received from Dean Button, City Engineer requesting approval to dispose of five (5) city vehicles that are non-operational. Mr. Gordish states they are working with the Controller to remove these vehicles that are non-operational. Mr. Smith states these are declared junk vehicles under the Indiana Code. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to declare junk vehicles under Indiana Code; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-370)

Correspondence received from David Weisz, Deputy Fire Chief requesting funds to be released in order to pay for replacement Mobile Data Terminals and cradles. Brite has the lowest responsible and responsive quote/offer for the MDT and cradle project which is quoted under I.C. 5-22-8, et. seq. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-371)

Correspondence received from the Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Area 504 Nightclub, LLC. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-372)

Correspondence received from Rick Archie, Director of Operations at Horseshoe Casino Hammond requesting permission to have pyrotechnics display on Saturday, July 13, 2024 during their Beartooth concert. The pyrotechnics will be handled and used by ATL Special FX. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-373)

Correspondence received from Shanay Cook requesting a stop sign at Sohl and Thornton for pedestrian and traffic safety concerns. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Engineering; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-374)

Correspondence received from John Van Ramshorst of Regional Health Clinic requesting permission to block off State Street on August 8, 2024 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. from the west side of the intersection of State and Sohl to the first curb cut of the library's west State Street entrance. They have contacted the Director of the Hammond Public Library and the administration of the First Baptist Church of Hammond and neither had any objections. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-375)

Correspondence received from Kyle Weener, Principal, Highland Christian School, requesting permission for street blockage on Forest (north side of the alley) to Kenwood on August 9, 2024 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to hold their annual block party. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-376)

Under New Business, Agreement to Rehabilitate property at 1101 Truman St. submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve and set for status on October 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-377)

Contract for Demolition Services with JM Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$283,800.00 for 28-34 Ruth and \$34,400 for 3323 165th St. submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-378)

Right of Way Permits (3) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve except AT&T; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-379)

Request for Late Rental Registration Hearings submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for July 25, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-380)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-381)

Notice of Violation hearing for property located at 1723 Myrtle Avenue. Inspector Pajdzik states this is a 3 unit with 1 front non-legal unit and owner is cooperating to convert it back to a 2 unit and request to affirm the Order. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to affirm the order; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-382)

Notice of Violation hearing for property located at 630 Stewart Ct. Inspector Pajdzik requests a 30 day continuance. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for August 15, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-383)

Mobile Food Vendor Application for Mahlis Corn, 4541 Henry Ave. Mr. Martinez appears and states she has three carts and will be operating them from 11:00 a.m. until about 7:00 or 8:00 at locations on Gostlin, Calumet and Gostlin and Michigan. Mr. Long states she has a certificate from the Health Department and insurance and reminds her she must keep moving and if she is on private property, she must have written permission and ordinance states only until 7:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-384)

Under Old Business, status – 90-day temporary signage for the 6700 blocks of Baring, Ridgeland and Northcote. Mr. Gordish states he drives by there often and it seems to be working and doesn't object to it being permanent. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve to make these permanent, notify the residents and forward to Council; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 1434 Sherman – Mr. Lewter states there is a back order on cabinets for 8-10 weeks and requests a status. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set status for October 10, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status - 6411 Harrison – Mr. Smith states this property has not improved, property in bad condition, presents photos and requests the order to be entered. Mr. Shultz states the property has not improved and the junk vehicles were removed and would request the demo order to be affirmed. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve demo order; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-385)

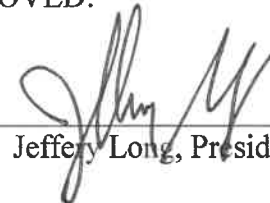
Status - 7247-49 Indianapolis Blvd. – Mr. Smith states there was a sale pending. Mr. Lewter states the sale fell through and requests to continue the process to bid out. No action.

Status – 1152 Michigan – Mr. Lewter states they paid for an inspection and he will perform the inspection soon. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on August 15, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

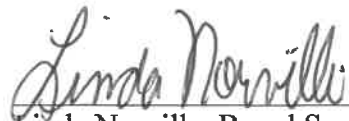
There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville, Board Secretary