

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:05 a.m. on Thursday, January 6, 2022, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Margraf – present; Mr. Long – present; Mr. Perez – present.

Motion by Mr. Long to approve the Minutes of the meeting of December 9, 2021, December 16, 2021, December 23, 2021 and December 30, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Bid Openings; Kennedy Avenue Reconstruction – 169th to 164th Place -

F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC	\$6,699,657.24
Milestone Contractors North, Inc.	\$6,164,417.68
Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.	\$6,422,750.00

Motion by Mr. Long to forward to Engineering for review and tabulation; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 2837

Little Calumet River Trail Pedestrian Bridge Project -

Gariup Construction Co., Inc.	\$6,287,500.00
Superior Construction Co., Inc.	\$6,374,942.00
Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc.	\$6,656,313.12
F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC	\$6,918,220.00

Motion by Mr. Long to forward to Engineering for review and tabulation; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 2838

Under Matters from Other Department Heads, Mr. Button requests the approval of the request from Advanced Engineering Services to restrict traffic temporarily on 176th Place for field drilling. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-01)

Mr. Button presents the 2021 State Transportation and Stormwater Grant Awards requesting we accept the grant award for 129th – Calumet to Sheffield. Electronic signatures forthcoming. Motion by Mr. Long to approve acknowledgement on the conditions set forth in the letter; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-02)

Mr. Smith requests the approval of the Order to Rescind for 936 Conkey. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-03)

Mr. Smith updates the Board regarding 5248 Hohman Avenue. They will move forward with the demolition under the emergency powers. Mr. Kearney states the building cannot be saved. Mr. Smith states they will notify the tax sale purchaser and previous owner that they are moving forward with the demolition.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Mr. Dean Button, Capital Improvement Board (CIB), requesting \$538,191.49 of CIB funding be allocated for the Hohman Avenue Reconstruction Phase 1 with Rieth-Riley Construction Company and corresponding Contract. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-04)

Correspondence received from Dean Button, City Engineer, submitted a Change Order No 1 – Robertsdale Lead Remediation in the amount of \$72,621.18 to Blue River Environmental and Restoration submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-05)

Correspondence received from Fire Chief, Jeffery Smith requesting the approval of the letter of retirement from Captain Christopher Barras, having served the citizens of Hammond for 25 years, 10 months and 6 days and to be placed on the Pension Rolls effective January 2, 2022. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-06)

Correspondence received from NIPSCO requesting lane closures/road closures along Michigan Street for various dates for the NICTD West Lake Project. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-07)

Correspondence received from Smith Sersic regarding legal services submitted for approval. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-08)

Correspondence received from Korellis Roofing requesting permission to block the right lane of Hohman Avenue, in front of the Towle Theater, to place a dumpster each morning from 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. from January 11, 2022 through February 1, 2022. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-09)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearing. Motion by Mr. Long to set for February 24, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-010)

Under New Business, Right of Way Permit submitted for approval from Engineering Department. Motion by Mr. Long to approve; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 22-011)

Under Old Business, Status – 222-224 Conkey. Mr. Smith states the rehab agreement expired June, 2021, tires in the back yard. Mr. Smith requests a letter be sent to owner to appear. Motion by Mr. Long to send letter and set for status on January 20, 2022; seconded by Mr. Perez. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 7106 Chestnut. Inspector Jordan states two illegal bedrooms in basement, has not had contact with owner. Mr. Kearney suggests to cite in court. Acknowledged.

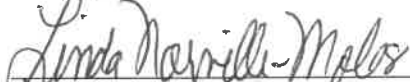
There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Mr. Long to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Perez. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Kevin Margraf, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary