

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

APRIL 23, 2009

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana, met on April 23, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. in City Hall. Present were members Mayor Jon Costas, John Hardwick and Chuck Williams and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Rosenbaum. Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chuck Williams moved to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2009 meeting, seconded by Mayor Costas and so approved. John Hardwick moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Mayor Costas and so approved.

IAG GRANT-POLICE

Asst. Chief Spicer requested approval for the Police Department to proceed with the IAG grant. This grant is split with the County and Portage and our share is \$66,266. This amount is to be used in 4 years and the department will be using it to update and purchase new technology. Mayor Costas moved to approve to proceed, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

SEH AGREEMENT-DOWNTOWN PARK

John Seibert presented the letter of agreement with SEH for the Downtown Central Park Plaza. The contract is not to exceed \$262,000 and will include all phases through construction. Design Organization is going to partner in this project. Mayor Costas moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

APPROVE PAPARAZZI OUTDOOR DINING

Craig Phillips presented the Outdoor Dining packet for Paparazzi Restaurant. He advised that there were some problems last year with their placement but they have been notified of the new policy and fines. Mayor Costas moved to approve the application, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

TRAFFICE & SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

City Engr. Tim Burkman presented the Traffic & Safety recommendations:

1. Install street lights at the following locations:
 - a. Southeast corner of Harrison Blvd. & Froberg Road
 - b. 5 locations between Winchester Drive and S.R. 49.
2. Post "Yield" sign on Dorset Drive approaching Sheffield Drive.
3. Post Lafayette Street as a "Bike Route" between Glendale Blvd. and Indiana Ave.

Mayor Costas moved to approve the recommendations, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

CALUMET AVE. BID REJECTIONS

Tim Burkman advised that the bids for the Calumet Avenue Streetscape Improvements were presented to the Redevelopment Committee. They determined that the project was going to have to be put on hold so the we need to reject all bids at this time. Mayor Costas moved that the bids be rejected. This project will be let out at a later date.

FAIRFIELD GREENS SECONDARY PLAT

Tim Burkman presented the Secondary Plat for Fairfield Greens and asked the Board to approve it subject to the Engineer's office approval on the surety. Mayor Costas moved to approve the plat subject to the surety, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

DLZ AGREEMENT-CALUMET/BURLINGTON BEACH

Tim Burkman presented an agreement with DLZ for preliminary engineering services on the Calumet Avenue/Burlington Beach Road project. We have received a grant on this project but need to show INDOT and NIRPC that there is progress being made on the project in order to keep these funds approved. Mayor Costas moved to approve the agreement, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

PROPERTY EASEMENTS

Tim Burkman presented five property easements for various projects and asked the board to approve the easements. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

BIDS-DOWNTOWN STREETScape

Tim Burkman asked for permission to advertise and seek bids for the Downtown Streetscape Improvements Project. Mayor Costas moved to approve the request, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

RESOLUTION #2, 2009

Tim Burkman presented Resolution #2, 2009 and asked for approval of same. This would allow Task Forces Tips to declare their new drive as a private street and name it Innovation Way so that the facility could be addressed as 3701 Innovation Way. Mayor Costas moved to approve Resolution #2, 2009, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

Transportation Director Tyler Kent request approvals for the following transportation changes:

1. V-Line will guarantee a ride back from Chicago for those that cannot get the last Dash bus.

2. Dash times for leaving Valpo to go to Chicago from 5:45 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. and seconded bus from 6:15 a.m. to 6:40 a.m.
3. Run cultural service again this summer on Saturdays.

Mayor Costas moved to approve the changes, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

FARMERS MARKET

Tina St. Aubin presented a request to use the alleys to the north and east of Central Park Plaza for the Farmer's Market. Mayor Costas moved to approve the request, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

John Siebert, Steve Martinson and Bill Oeding reported on Arbor Day and Valparaiso as a Tree City.

There was no further business and Mayor Costas declared the meeting adjourned.