

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

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

JUNE 11, 2009

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met on June 25, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were members Chuck Williams, John Hardwick and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Emerson Swihart. Mayor Costas was absent.

Chuck Williams called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chuck Williams moved that the minutes of the May 28, 2009 meeting be approved as presented, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved. John Hardwick moved that the claims be approved to be paid subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

POLICE GENERAL ORDERS

Police Chief Brickner presented 12 Police General Orders and requested approval of same. John Hardwick moved to approve the orders, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CHICAGO DASH FOR UNEMPLOYED

Stu Summers presented a request for the Chicago Dash. If someone is unemployed and this is verified they will be able to use the Dash to go to Chicago to look for a job. They will be able to ride for nothing as long as there are seats available. Chuck Williams moved to approve, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

LINCOLNWAY/MORGAN & CALUMET AVE. BIDS

Sharon Swihart and Tim Burkman opened the following bids on the Lincolnway/Morgan Intersection Project:

1. Gariup Construction - \$183,600.00
2. Rieth-Riley - \$214,305.16
3. Larson-Danielson - \$199,689.83

Sharon Swihart and Tim Burkman opened the following bids on the Calumet Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project:

	BASE	Alt. #1	Alt. #2
1. Gariup Construction	\$328,300.00	\$24,342.00	\$54,000.00
2. Rieth Riley	\$457,293.00	\$25,384.50	\$51,298.75
3. Grimmer Constr.	\$354,651.00	\$23,644.60	\$54,000.00
4. Engineered Cos., Inc.	\$358,195.28	\$33,600.80	\$56,325.00
5. Larson Daniel	\$373,147.66	\$24,847.16	\$55,597.50

John Hardwick moved that the bids be referred to engineering for recommendations and authorization to award subject to RDC approval where needed and legal approvals, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

DOWNTOWN U BID AWARD

Tim Burkman recommended that the bid of Larson Danielsen be awarded for the Downtown U Project. They were the lowest, most responsive bid. He also asked that they allow him to execute a contract and note to proceed. John Hardwick moved that the bid be accepted subject to RDC approval and that Tim be allowed to execute the contract and issue a note to proceed, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

FAIRFIELD GREENS SURETY APPROVAL

Tim Burkman advised that engineering had received a \$690,000 surety bond for Fairfield Greens development and asked that it be approved. John Hardwick moved to approve the surety bond, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Tim Burkman presented the following Traffic & Safety recommendations:

1. Rescind previous action to post Berkley Drive as "One Way Only" northbound between Sheffield Drive and Somerset Drive, and again allow two-way traffic.
2. Install a street light at the southeast corner of Indiana Avenue and Lafayette Street in the area of the city owned parking lot.
3. Post "No Parking" along the north side of Bond Street approaching Campbell Street.
4. Post "No Parking" along the east side of Franklin Street between the south drive entrance to the police station and the railroad tracks.

Vince Slack and Christine Kant, Berkley Street residents, both asked that the street be left one way due to the traffic increase and the narrow width of the street. Tim Burkman advised that we feel that the street should be two way until the Valparaiso Street Project is done due to the amount of traffic now going that way and then in July we will look at this again and maybe go back to Berkley being one way. Police Chief Brickner stated that he would put extra patrols in that area until the construction is done. John Hardwick moved to approve the recommendations, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

NORFOLK SOUTHERN RR CROSSING CLOSURES

Norfolk Southern requested to close the close the railroad crossings between Brown and West Streets from 6/22/09-6/26/09 for repairs. John Hardwick moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

ELKS REQUEST

The Elks requested to use the City Parking Lot here by City Hall with street closure of Jefferson Street from Napoleon to the alley east of the lodge for Irish Fest. This would be Saturday, August 22, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. John Hardwick moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

There was no further business and Chuck Williams adjourned the meeting.