

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS &
SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
MARCH 27, 2008**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana, met on March 27, 2008 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.

John Hardwick moved that the minutes of the March 13th meeting be approved as presented, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved. John Hardwick moved that claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

ORCHARD SUBDIVISION PRIVATE STREET

Dennis Hain presented a request for a private street in Orchards Subdivision. They have had a variance approved by the BZA. The street will be built to city standards and maintained by a POA. Bill Hanna advised that this has been reviewed by the street department and Bill Oeding has given his approval. Mayor Costas moved to approve the request for the private street, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

ACCEPT EXECUTIVE PARK STREETS

City Engineer Dave Pilz presented a request to accept the streets in Executive Park. The improvements have been completed and inspected. John Hardwick moved to approve the request to accept the streets, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

JR. TRIATHLON ROUTE

Steve Doniger presented the route for the Jr. Triathlon. Mayor Costas moved to approve the route, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

CHICAGO COMMUTER BUS BIDS

Tyler Kent presented the bids for the Chicago Commuter Bus Service. Bids were received from McDonald Transit, Marvin Enterprises, Colonial, Free Enterprise and Eclipse. John Hardwick moved that the bids be referred to the Transportation Committee and the City Attorney for review and recommendation, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

VALERT PROP. PATHWAY AGREEMENT

Tyler Kent presented the Pathway Construction Agreement between Valert Properties, LLC and the Valparaiso Parks Department. Valert (Red Robin) has agreed to pay their share when the pathway goes in along LaPorte Ave. John Hardwick moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Mayor Costas and so approved.

DOWNTOWN OUTDOOR DESIGN STANDARDS

Tyler Kent presented the Downtown Outdoor Design Standards which would include outdoor dining rules and restrictions. Several questions were brought up by the Board. Tyler was going to look into answering all of their questions and probably making some changes to the Standards to reflect the answers. The Board agreed to carry over to the next meeting.

C. JOINER ACCESS APPEAL

Curtis Joiner presented an appeal to the engineering department's decision denying access to U.S. Hwy. 30 by the airport. Dave Pilz advised that the decision was made as they felt that there was adequate access there and due to safety reasons did not feel that another access so close was warranted. Discussion ensued. Atty. Hollenbeck advised that the City has the right to deny access even if he has the ability to do so in his title. Mayor Costas moved to deny the appeal, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS

1. Closure of Napoleon Street from Monroe to Indiana for County Offices on March 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and May 7th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to load and unload election equipment.
2. Corvette Club to use sidewalk around Courthouse for a show on June 14th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. No vehicles are to be parked on the sidewalk.
3. Stroll for Hospice on Sunday, April 27th starting at noon and ending at approximately 3:00 p.m.
4. Orak Shriners Vidalia Sales throughout the City starting on April 29, 2008 and running for approximately one month.
5. March of Dines 2008 Walk for Babies on Sunday, April 27 starting at 9:00 a.m.
6. Prevent Child Abuse blue ribbon campaign from April 1-13 with removal by April 14th.
7. Run for Shelter on Saturday, May 10th starting at 8:30 a.m.

Mayor Costas moved to approve all requests subject to any conditions from the departments, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

There was no more business to attend to and Mayor Costas called the meeting adjourned.