

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
VALPARAISO, INDIANA

MAY 26, 2005

The Board of Public Works and Safety met at 10:00am on Thursday, May 26, 2005. Present were Mayor Costas, Clerk Treasurer Sharon Emerson Swihart, and Board Members Dave Pilz and John Hardwick.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor asked Matt Byerly reporter for the Chronicle to sing the "Star Spangled Banner" to honor Memorial Day. Matt's beautiful rendition almost brought tears to the audience.

MINUTES AND CLAIMS

Mr. Pilz moved the minutes of the previous meeting be approved, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

Mr. Hardwick moved for approval of claims subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEM 3-LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT- ENGINEER'S VEHICLES

Mr. Pilz stated he had the final paperwork to finalize the lease purchase for the two vehicles for the Engineering Department. He moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

ITEM 4-ENGINEER & RDC ADVERTISE FOR BIDS-VALE PARK WAY PROJECT

Mr. Pilz stated normally he would ask the Board's approval to advertise for bids, however the Vale Park Way Project will be funded entirely within the Redevelopment Commission as they want to retain ownership of the road. There will be an agreement forthcoming as far as the use of the roadway for public purposes that will be done before the project is opened for bid. This is a departure from normal procedures but is for the record and does not require action.

ITEM 5-ROAD SALT BIDS

The Clerk Treasurer opened bids. Mr. Oeding read the bid amounts.

North American Salt, Overland Park, KS-\$43.65 per ton delivered, \$46.65 stack  
Detroit Salt Co., Detroit, MI-\$46.74 ton, no stack price  
Cargill deicing Tech, N. Olmsted, OH-\$42.16 ton, no stack price  
Central Salt, Overland Park, KS-\$48.24 ton, \$5.00 additional for stack  
Morton Salt, Chicago, IL-declined

The stacker process is a conveyor system that piles the salt as it comes in. It is a benefit inside the salt storage building. The alternate price for stacking is quite costly and will probably not be considered. Mr. Oeding will review the bids and bring the results to the next meeting. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

#### ITEM 6-AMENDMENT TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN

Karen Marben presented the amendment concerning coverage of students. She stated on May 1, 2004 the Board voted for overage dependants who remain eligible as full time students will terminate at the earlier of the end of the year in which the dependant graduates from high school or an accredited college or university or the end of the month in which the dependant turns 25. The present policy on page 13 states the end of the month and should read the end of the year. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

#### ITEM 7-8-9-CITIZEN REQUESTS

Essex Park Neighborhood Block Party on Sunday, June 26 from noon to 5pm

Shamrock Subdivision request temporary "No Parking" signs during their Neighborhood Garage Sale on Saturday, June 11

11<sup>th</sup> Annual Run for Shelter on Saturday, July 30 from 8-11am at the First Presbyterian Church

After discussion, Mr. Pilz moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Attorney Rupcich representing the City Attorney brought before the Board a matter already approved. The contract for the Ordinance Codification needs signatures. The Mayor asked for a meeting with Mr. Rupcich and the Clerk Treasurer following the meeting. After discussion no one could verify approval of the contract, so at this time the Mayor moved for approval of the contract submitted by American Legal Publishing Corp. for the updating and re-codification of the ordinances, Mr. Hardwick seconded and so approved.

He presented the documents for the agreement with Chase Equipment Leasing for signatures. Mr. Oeding stated this is the best lease program available. Essentially this is the money for the salt storage building, 4 garbage trucks, 2 plow trucks, and 2 smaller trucks, from the new Equipment fund. This is a 5 year lease with yearly payments, the first payment due 12 months after signing.

#### LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

Mr. Oeding said the trash pickup will be delayed due to the holiday weekend.

The automated truck and tote system should have all the containers out next week. The men have been out with it for practice getting ready for June 6<sup>th</sup>.

Craig Phillips stated they will start working on the Eastgate Corridor. The first meeting will be June 1. They have finished the corridor study with Camiros and will be getting that out to the Steering Committee and on the Website. They are finishing up with the requirements for the grant. They will have another public presentation. Final acceptance of the document will go before BOW and Council.

Chief Nondorf stated that for the first time the 3 new firefighters went to the 2 month training at the academy and will graduate June 8.

Mr. Pilz said that for the first time his office has an intern for the summer. Zach Topoll has been helping with traffic counts, etc and will be helping with utility locates for the GIS System being developed.

Karen Marben said the City will host an Evening with the Railcats. She will be contacting local businesses to join us for the occasion on August 4.

Curt Hawkins announced the nationwide law enforcement seat belt checks. They are working on a Safety Fair with several agencies for June 25 at the TJ Middle School parking lot. The PD has 2 interns.

Steve Doniger said they are hosting a Memorial Day service at Foundation Meadows at noon Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>. The Japanese Garden with a waterfall feature at Ogden Gardens will open soon. Rogers Lakewood opens this weekend.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

