

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
VALPARAISO, INDIANA  
JUNE 9, 2005

The Board of Public Works and Safety met at 10:00am on Thursday, June 9, 2005. Present were Clerk Treasurer Sharon Emerson Swihart, and Board Members Dave Pilz and John Hardwick.

Mr. Pilz called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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-AWARD SALT BID-PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Oeding received five bid responses- 4 bids, 1 no bid. Cargill Deicing, N. Olmstead, Oh came in at \$42.16 per ton making them the low bidder. He asked for acceptance of this bid that is higher than anticipated however in comparison to the others is reasonable. Delivery will be delayed until early November. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEM 4-AWARD CONSTRUCTION BID-SALT STORAGE FACILITY

Mr. Oeding received eight contractor bids for the building on April 28th. The lowest price was \$389,650, the highest \$500,900. The low bid was Enviro-Tech and was non-responsive in all areas of the specs. The engineer for the project has reviewed the bid of Enviro-Tech and states it is unresponsive. Mr. Oeding recommended not accepting their low bid and accepting Sound Construction's offer for bid of \$413,001. City Attorney Hollenbeck concurs with the project engineer and Mr. Oeding that Enviro-Tech failed to meet bid specs. Mr. Pilz moved the Board declare Enviro-Tech's bid as non-responsive, and accept the bid of Sound Construction as the best bid, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

ITEM 5-APPROVE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Karen Marben introduced C. Garrett and M. Gersper from the Madison Center. They explained the EAP will cover all employees, spouses, and dependants till age 21. Each person will have available 4 visits at no cost. They have offices in Portage, Valparaiso, Michigan City, LaPorte, and Kingsford Heights and a 24/7 hot line. It is completely confidential for employees. There will be training sessions for supervisors. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval of the proposal, and

the subsequent contract subject to the City Attorney's review, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

#### ITEM 6-APPROVE FORM FOR WAIVERS-ANNEXATION

Mr. Pilz stated with the help of the City Attorney's office, they have made minor revisions to the Waiver of Objection and Consent to Annexation form that is used when a party connects to either of our utilities and the land is located outside of the corporate limit of the city. He moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

#### ITEM 7-DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT

Mr. Pilz presented a dedication of right-of way a public road easement in conjunction with a proposed addition on a property on Evans Ave. This is typical before a building permit is issued. He moved for acceptance, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

#### ITEMS 8-9-10-CITIZEN REQUESTS

Sheffield Block Party, closure of Sheffield St. from Linden to Berkley

Park Ave. Block Party on Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, closure of Park Ave. from Weston to Ben Franklin Middle School

Sierra Block Party on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>, closure of Medera Dr.

The requests have been reviewed, Mr. Pilz moved for approval of all three, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

#### ITEM 11-ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT FOR DESIGN OF CALUMET PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

Mr. Pilz presented an addendum referred from the RDC to an agreement with the consultant DLZ in regard to the design of the Calumet Partnership Project. This is the project that is to take place on the west side of Calumet between Vale Park Rd. and Wall St. and covers additional survey work required, also the design of the streetscape and landscape. The addendum is in the amount of \$9,800 and was approved by the RDC, they will finance the contract. He moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

#### LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORTS

Karen Marben thanked everyone for making it possible to send 12 boxes of Kiwanis Peanuts to the 113<sup>th</sup> Battalion. Money is being raised at our bake sale for Relay for Life.

Mr. Oeding reported crack sealing by Pavement Solutions has begun. The automated trash truck and billing procedure began this week. He is waiting for the four new garbage trucks to complete the program.

Sharon Swihart announced the State Board of Accounts auditors are here, she asked cooperation from all departments involved in the checking of 2004 business.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.