

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 8, 2005

The Board of Public Works and Safety met at 10:00am on Thursday, September 8, 2005. Present were Mayor Costas, and Board Member John Hardwick being a full forum.

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

MINUTES AND CLAIMS

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

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

ITEM 4-RECEIVE BIDS-NORTH CALUMET PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

Tim Burkman representing Engineer Pilz read the bids.

Walsh & Kelly, Inc., Griffith-Base \$445,815.54

Rieth-Riley Constr. Co., Inc., Gary-\$459,461.20

Mr. Burkman stated the Engineer's bid was \$430,000. The bids will be taken under advisement for the award to be announced at the next meeting. Mr. Burkman added he is moving for authorizing the Engineer to issue notice of award, execution of contracts, and to issue notice to proceed. All subject to RDC approval and funding. Mr. Hardwick asked Mr. Burkman to check on the legal aspects.

ITEM 5-APPROVE CONSTRUCTION PLANS-CAMPBELL MEADOWS
SUBDIVISION

Mr. Burkman stated the Campbell Meadows Subdivision Phase 1 consists of 18 single family lots on the west side of Campbell across from the Cottages. The plans have been reviewed and found to be up to City standards. He requested approval of the plans. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by the Mayor and so approved.

ITEM 6-APPROVE POLICE GENERAL ORDERS 9, 15, 21, 59

Chief Brickner stated since the Contract with FOP was approved at the last meeting, he asked to table this item so they can review the orders. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by the Mayor and so approved.

RETURNING TO ITEM 4-BID N CALUMET PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

Mr. Hardwick moved to approve the Engineering Departments request and allow the Engineering Director to execute the contract, notice to proceed, etc. all subject to RDC approval, seconded by the Mayor and so approved. Mr. Hollenbeck added that the contract is to be awarded to the low bidder Walsh & Kelly, Inc., Griffith at this time.

ITEM 7-DESIGN EXCEPTIONS-N CALUMET PARTNERSHIP PROJECT

Mr. Burkman stated this relates to the North Calumet Project that bids were just opened. The design consultant DLZ is seeking design exceptions: 1-drainage swails and 2-sidewalk on the southwest quadrant of Vale Park Rd. and Calumet Ave.-pedestrian crossing. He requested the Board approve the exceptions and authorize Mr. Pilz to execute the document. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by the Mayor and so approved.

At 10:20 Mr. Pilz joined the Board making it at full capacity.

ITEM 8-AWARD BID FOR 2 PUBLIC WORKS 2.5 DUMP TRUCKS

Mr. Oeding stated the low bidder from the August 25th meeting is Raisor Ford, Lafayette. After they made the selection on optional items, he requested the Board approve the purchase of two trucks with the optional items for a total of \$120,524. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEM 9-OPEN AND AWARD BIDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

These bids were in the form of letters. Mr. Oeding stated the recycling equipment was bid from Metal Recyclers, Valparaiso-Marathon baler @ \$10,000, Var Tech baler @ \$4,500, CP Mfg. aluminum can crusher @ \$2,000, portable unit glass crusher @ \$300 and parking meter heads @ \$50. Leonard Petrone, Wanatah bid for all parking meter heads @ \$5 each. Mr. Oeding recommended selling all the recycling equipment per the offer to Metal Recyclers, excepting the meter heads. Mr. Petrone will be awarded the meter heads @ \$5 each. Mr. Hardwick moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEMS 10-REQUEST SOLICITING PRICE QUOTES FOR PURCHASE OF NEW MOWING TRACTOR

Mr. Oeding stated they have a lease purchase program with Chase that includes the salt storage building, trucks, leaf blower, and four garbage trucks. Those items came in under estimated price except the salt storage building. There are funds left in escrow. He now asks to be allowed to get pricing and if possible if it is under the rate of competitive bidding that they get the three quotes and make additional purchases to replace old used equipment-a mowing tractor, grappling loader, and backhoe. He requested either price quotes or the bidding process. The Mayor moved for approval, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

ITEM 11-REQUEST CLOSING SHEFFIELD DR. FROM CAMPBELL TO VINE

The Sheffield Group Home Manager requested closing Sheffield from Campbell to Vine St. from 7-9pm on Saturday, September 17 to host a vigil honoring an OE employee. After discussion Mr. Hardwick moved to approve closing Sheffield from Campbell to the west side of Vine with the understanding the intersection will remain open, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEMS 12, 13, 14, 15 CITIZEN REQUESTS

Lions Club annual Candy Day Drive on Friday and Saturday, October 7 & 8, 2005

Block Party at Maplecreek Subdivision on Sunday, September 25, from 1-10pm

Block Party on Saturday, September 17, noon till midnight and blocking Cedar St. from Sturdy to the beginning of Cedar Ct.

Block Party on Saturday, October 8 from 3-10pm, blocking Monticello Park Dr. from McCord to Whittier Park Dr.

Mr. Hardwick moved to approve all items, seconded by Mr. Pilz and so approved.

ITEM 16-APPROVE PORTER COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER CONTRACT

Attorney Hollenbeck presented the 2006 contract in the amount of \$20,150 from Attorney Matt Soliday. Mr. Pilz declined to vote until there was an explanation. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Hardwick moved to approve the contract with reservations, the Mayor seconded and so approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

In an item additional to the agenda, Engineer Pilz requested approval of a Right of Entry and Easement Agreement from Urschel Laboratories. The document is for the North Calumet Partnership Project, seconded by Mr. Hardwick and so approved.

The Mayor did not request Leadership Team reports.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

