

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

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

February 12, 2016

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met on February 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were Mayor Costas, Bill Oeding, Matt Murphy and Attorney Ethan Lowe. Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Oeding moved that the minutes of the January 22, 2016 meeting be approved, seconded Matt Murphy and so approved. Bill Oeding moved that the claims be approved for payment and subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Employee Life and Disability Insurance Benefits

Mike Anton from Anton Insurance Agency gave a presentation on the Employee Life and Disability Insurance Benefits Presentation. The City's current Employee Life & Disability Carrier- The Hartford Group has raised their rates by 45%. The Anton agency sent out request for quotes for a new carrier. The Standard Insurance Company was the most responsive and competitive. They will bring a saving of \$7,000, a 2 year guarantee and a designated Customer Service Representative. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

Local Share Availability Certification

Taylor Wegrzyn has requested acceptance of Certification with NIRPC. The documentation states that The City has sufficient funds for the Local Match of the Federal Grants, with NIRPC, for the 2016 Transit Operations. Matt Murphy moved to approve, Seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

Bond Acceptance

Sharon Swihart recommended Bond Acceptance for Tyler Kent (Planning Director/Transit Manager) and Jeffrey Balon (Police Pension Secretary). Bill Oeding moved to approve, Seconded Matt Murphy and so approved.

Refuse Trucks

Matt Evans requested permission to Solicit Bids for the purchase of new Refuse Trucks. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

2015 DieselWise Grant

Matt Evans requested Execution of the 2015 DieselWise Grant Agreement. This Agreement is not to Exceed \$55,000 for 1 Refuse Truck- this will need to be purchased by the end of 2016. The City will look into purchasing 4 additional trucks. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Pass Thru Fund Agreement

Attorney Ethan Lowe recommended a Designated Pass-Through Agreement with Porter County Community Foundation, Inc. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

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Attorney Ethan Lowe recommended a Designated Pass-Through Agreement with Porter County Community Foundation for Car Seat Funds and Fire Safety and Community Outreach Fund. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Pathway Easement Acceptance

Tim Burkman requested acceptance of Pathway Easement from property located at 451 Brookshire Drive. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Beauty Creek Bank Stabilization Project

Tim Burkman requested approval of Grant Application for the Beauty Creek Bank Stabilization Project in the amount of \$65,000 (80/20 match). Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Extra Business

Scott Arnold requested authorization of a Local Grant with Fire House Subs in the amount of \$29,682.00 (No local match). The Grant will supply two Lucas 2- Chest Compression Systems. These devices will significantly improve Firefighter Safety while providing patients with the greatest chance of survival during Cardiac Arrest. Mayor Costas moved to approve, Seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

Citizen Requests

- Approval requested for Annual Soap Box Derby taking place on Saturday, June 25, 2016 with street closure
- Approval requested for Annual Valpo Vettes Car Show taking place on Saturday, June 18, 2016 from 8am-2pm
- Approval requested for a Dumpster to use 2 parking spaces in front of 159 Lincolnway for Remodeling. The dumpster will be on location for up to 5 days

Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Matt Murphy and so approved.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.