

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

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

JUNE 23, 2011

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met June 23, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were members Chuck Williams, Bill Oeding and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Swihart. Chuck Williams called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Oeding moved that the minutes of the June 9, 2011 meeting be approved as presented, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved. Bill Oeding moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

OPEN BIDS GRAPPLE TRUCK

Two bids were received and opened for the Grapple truck. Bids were from Palfrey Truck Equipment at \$215,019.00 and Pozzo Truck Center Inc. at \$234,822.94. Bids were accepted and a recommendation will be made at the next meeting. Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY

The Traffic and Safety Committee has studied the following items, has considered all apparent aspects and hereby recommends for the Board's consideration and approval:

1. Post "No Parking" on Library Lane (east/west alley immediately north of the library).
2. Install a street light at the intersection of Joliet Road and Westside Park Avenue
3. Post "No Parking on Tuesdays 6PM – 10PM" on Washington Street between Indiana Avenue and Lincolnway through August 2, 2011 for the summer Downtown movies. (Note: The street is closed to traffic during this time.)
4. Downtown Parking and Traffic Control Changes:
 - a. Add Parallel Parking on the east side of Washington between Lincolnway and Jefferson
 - b. Designate Right Lane on Washington, south of Lincolnway as Right Turn Only
 - c. Addition of Angled Parking on Jefferson in front of the Library
 - d. Install a "Stop" sign on Jefferson at Lafayette
 - e. Eliminate "Stop" sign on Jefferson at Washington
 - f. Eliminate "Stop" sign on Franklin at Jefferson
 - g. Eliminate Traffic Signal at Chicago/Franklin and Install a "Stop" sign on Franklin.

Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

BIDS EVANS AVENUE PROJECT

Tim Burkman requested an approval of plans and permission to advertise and seek bids for the Evans Avenue Project. This is on the Storm water Master Plan. Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

BROWN STREET CLOSURE

NiSource is requesting to close Brown Street between Campbell and Napoleon on June 29 for six hours to investigate subsurface conditions. Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

PIANO KEYS TO THE CITY

Tina St. Aubin requests approval for the Kiwanis "Piano keys to the city" on the downtown sidewalks. Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS

1. Request approval of partial street closure of Oak Grove Drive between Oak Grove Circle and Oak Grove Court on August 2, from 6:30pm to 8:30 pm, for Valparaiso's Night Out.
2. Request approval for street closure for College Avenue from Union to Freeman Street and Union Street from College to Locust Street for Health Linc "Back to School Health Fair". Approval contingent upon access for emergency vehicles.

Chuck Williams moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

3. Approval is requested by Valpo Viennas for a mobile food cart on the sidewalk by the courthouse. Approval is for the 2001 season contingent upon Health Department certificate, insurance proof and ADA accessibility requirements.

Chuck Williams moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.