

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MISHAWAKA
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY/UTILITY BOARD
June 1, 2010

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety/Utility Board was called to order by President Gary West at 10:03 a.m. All members were present. Mr. Prince moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of May 25, 2010, and accept them as circulated. Mr. Watson seconded; motion carried.

Bid Openings:

There were no bid openings.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Rea thanked Doreen Behnke, the Memorial Day Parade Committee, and City personnel for another successful parade. He said it takes a lot of hard work and despite some rain, it went well. Mayor Rea also thanked David Sparks and KADA Partners for their sponsorship.

The Mayor also reminded residents trash pick up will be delayed one day this week due to Memorial Day holiday.

Mayor Rea indicated a brief staff meeting would follow today's Board meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Park Superintendent Mike Faulkner submitted a request to remove a tree and stump at 906 Wilson Boulevard and transplant one tree. The Park Department landscaper has analyzed the tree and recommended its removal. Mr. Watson moved for the Board's approval to remove a tree and stump and transplant one tree at 906 Wilson Boulevard. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Community Development Director Lory Timmer requested the Board award the contract for asbestos abatement at 548 W. 6th Street to Specialty Systems of South Bend, Inc., the lowest responsive and responsible quoter, for a total contract amount of \$1,925.00. Mr. Watson moved to approve as presented. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Engineering Director Gary West requested the Board award the contract for the demolition and removal of 108 W. McKinley (Main Muffler) to John Boettcher Sewer & Excavating, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$35,752.97 and moved for its approval. Mr. Watson seconded; motion carried.

Mr. West requested the Board approve plans and authorize the receipt of bids for Lincolnway East Watermain (SR933) Relocation to be opened June 22, 2010, and moved for its approval. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Approval of Claims:

Mr. Watson moved to approve eighteen (18) Claim Dockets for Utilities and Civil City as submitted by City Controller Yvonne Milligan for a total amount of \$2,505,418.25. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Approval of SRF Pay Applications:

There were no applications to approve.

Hearings:

A public hearing was held for a Transient Merchants License for Sweet Corn Charlie Produce, LLC at the northeast corner of Hickory and Edison Roads, to sell fresh produce from June 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010. Chuck Mohler of Syracuse, IN, was in attendance to answer questions. Mr. Mohler said he grows vegetables and is proposing to sell fruits and vegetables from this vacant lot. He purchases fruit from Michigan. There will be a 40' X 50' framed tent on the property. He provides a festive and clean atmosphere for his customers. Ken Price asked if he had been provided a copy of the Sign Ordinance. Mr. Mohler said no, he had not been told what he could have. Mr. Prince said the Planning Department could instruct him.

Julia Dekeizer of the Mayor's Office said she is a frequent customer of Sweet Corn Charlie and often stops at

his Granger and Shipshewana locations. She said the produce is always of good quality. There were no additional comments from the public.

Mr. West closed the public hearing. Mr. Watson moved for the Board's approval of the Transient Merchants License for Sweet Corn Charlie Produce, LLC to sell fresh produce from June 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010 at the northeast corner of Hickory and Edison Roads. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Mr. West opened the public hearing for a Tattoo and/or Body Piercing License Application for Peggie O'Neill at 4609 Grape Road, #D9. Peggie O'Neill was present. Ms. O'Neill said she will not be doing any body art or body piercing, only permanent make-up. The application was reviewed and approved by the Mishawaka Police Department. The Planning Department indicates zoning is appropriate for the business. No comments against the license were received from the various departments. Mr. West closed the public hearing. Mr. Prince moved for the Board's approval of Peggie O'Neill license application for a Tattoo and/or Body Piercing Establishment at 4609 Grape Road, #D9. Mr. Watson seconded; motion carried.

New Business:

The Board reviewed a request from Bethel College to restrict traffic on the north side of Lowell Avenue from Liberty to Logan between the hours of 4:15 and 5:15 on June 7, 2010 for a 5K run/walk during Bethel's hosting of the North American Coalition of Christian Admission Professionals Annual Conference. Mr. Watson moved for its approval. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Mr. West said a request for a Secondhand Store License has been received from Rick Franklin at 1215 E. Jefferson Boulevard. A public hearing has been set for Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at 10:00 a.m.

The Board reviewed a request from the Blair Hills Recreation Committee to again block off streets for their annual Fourth of July Bike Parade to be held on Sunday, July 4, 2010 between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Mr. Prince moved to approve the request from the Blair Hills Recreation Committee to close Blair Hills Avenue, Merrifield Avenue, Wood Lane, Bugle Lane, Steeplechase Drive, and Wheatstone Drive for their annual Fourth of July Bike Parade on July 4, 2010. Mr. Watson seconded; motion carried.

A request has been received from the residents on Ridge Place seeking permission to close Ridge Place south of Trail Ridge South on Friday, June 11, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a neighborhood block party/baby shower. Mr. Watson moved to approve this request subject to the standard conditions regarding public safety and noise control. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried

Unfinished Business:

There being no additional business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Gary West – President of the Board of
Public Works and Safety/Utility Board

Kari Myers, Clerk of the Board of
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