

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2016

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, January 28, 2016, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Dostatni - present; Ms. Garay - present; Mr. Margraf- present.

Motion by Mr. Margraf to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2016, January 14, 2016 and January 21, 2016 meetings; seconded by Ms. Garay. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Bid opening – Demolition of 241 173rd Street, 1510 173rd Street, 909 Bauer Street, 612 ½ Burton Court, 6006 – 11 Calumet Avenue, 6013 – 19 Calumet Avenue, 4614 Cameron Avenue, 5536 Claude Avenue, 2626 Cleveland Street (garage only), 6404 Columbia Avenue, 818 Eaton Street (garage only), 851 Gostlin Street (garage only), 4938 Hickory Avenue, 5948 Park Place, 932 Sibley Street, 1150 Summer Street, 816 Summer Street, 5972 White Oak Avenue and 836 Willow Court. Bids received as follows:

RSR Demolition, LLC	\$194,361 – not all properties bid
IESCO Construction, LLC	\$173,452 – all properties bid
Gary Material Supply, LLC	\$282,200 – not all properties bid
Illiana Remedial Action, Inc.	\$344,897 – all properties bid
Scanlon Excavating & Concrete	\$294,220 – all properties bid
JM Industrial Services, Inc.	\$218,350 – all properties bid
Actin Contracting, LLC	\$260,095 – not all properties bid
Grimmer Construction, Inc.	\$475,340 – all properties bid

Motion by Ms. Garay to refer the bids to the Building Department for tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Res. No. 4027)

Contract for the 6th District Local Street Project – Maryland Avenue Lighting Improvement – 169th Street to Vine Street with Hawk Enterprises, Inc. at a cost of \$177,142.60. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-040)

Correspondence received from AT&T requesting permission to perform work in the alley east of Hohman Avenue off of Sibley Street. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-041)

Correspondence received from Norm’s Plumbing & Heating, Inc. requesting permission for road closure at 169th Street and Kansas Avenue. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-042)

Correspondence received from Mr. Brian Poland, Director of City Planning, requesting approval of a proposed subdivision, Luke’s The Spot Addition, near the intersection of 5th Avenue and Indianapolis Boulevard. Mr. Dostatni noted the City Engineer, Mr. Dean Button, has also approved the subdivision. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion

carried. (Ins. No. 16-043)

Hearing on property located at 223 Williams Street. Property owner, Mr. Anthony Alexander, appears. Mr. Kelly Kearney, Chief of Inspections, said an inspection has not been done on the property and requested additional time. Motion by Ms. Garay to continue this matter to February 11, 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-044)

Notice of Violation hearing on property located at 1835 Calumet Avenue. Property owner, Mr. Justin Smits, appears. Mr. Nick Farrell, Inspector, Code Enforcement, appears and said there is an illegal basement apartment which does not meet ceiling height requirements and all utilities in the kitchen will need to be capped off. Mr. Farrell said Mr. Smits has been cooperating. Mr. Farrell then requested the Board affirm the Findings he presented regarding this property. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-045)

Rental registration hearing on property located at 25 Doty Street. Property owner's husband appears. Corporation Counsel, Ms. Kristina Kantar, advised that is has been verified the property owner has been paying Smith Sersic for rental registration. No action taken. (Ins. No. 16-046)

Correspondence received requesting rental registration hearings. Motion by Ms. Garay to set these matters for February 18, 2016; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-047)

Contract for Demolition Services for property located at 7009 Chestnut Avenue and 6342 Euclid Avenue with Actin Contracting, LLC at a cost of \$6,260. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-048)

Correspondence received from Mr. Gary Gleason, Director, Public Works advising a "Loading Zone" sign on the corner of Columbia Avenue and May Street is warranted due to Oak Street Health being located there. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-049)

Amusement Device Listing for the week of January 25, 2016. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-050)

Correspondence received from Mr. Phil Taillon, Executive Director of Planning and Development, advising the funding for the demolition of 6433 – 49 Kennedy Avenue at a cost of \$74,200 will be provided by 6th District Councilman Scott Rakos. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 16-051)

Correspondence received from Chief of Police John Doughty recommending the appointment of Mr. Kyle Wagers as a Probationer member of the Hammond Police Department effective February 3, 2016 and Disposal Authorizations submitted by the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-052)

Under Matters from Board Members, Mr. Dostatni received correspondence from Grimmer Construction, Inc. advising NIPSCO has not been contacted to terminate service at 4617 Ash

Avenue, 916 Conkey Street, 516 – 518 Kenwood Street and 7204 Madison Avenue and a change order advising that Grimmer Construction, Inc. can conduct asbestos inspections at 7204 Madison Avenue (garage only) and 4617 Ash Avenue (garage only) in a thirty (30) day extension of time. Motion by Ms. Garay to have the Law Department contact NIPSCO and to approve the asbestos removal request; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-053)

Mr. Dostatni also received an Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 4401 – 03 Sheffield Avenue (North Building), 4407 Sheffield Avenue (Center Building) and 4409 – 11 Sheffield Avenue (South Building). Ms. Kantar said there an agreement was reached with the new owner. Motion by Ms. Garay; seconded by Mr. Margraf. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 16-054)

Correspondence was received from 3rd District Councilman Anthony Higgs requesting trees be removed at a demolition site at 164th Street and Reverend Burns Drive. Mr. Kearney said he is aware of the need for the removal and will see that the trees are leveled. Correspondence acknowledged. (Ins. No. 16-055)

Under Old Business, resident, Ms. Ruth Mores, addressed the Board concerning the access to vacant property at 173rd Street and Lyman Street. Ms. Mores presented photos of the damage done by vehicles driving on the property and said she has talked with Officer Muta of the Hammond Police Department. Ms. Mores said she requested additional patrol in that area and would like a chain to be strung along the entrance or a gate placed there like Munster has done. Mr. Dostatni said this matter will be referred to the Public Works Department to determine what can be done at this location.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Garay to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Margraf. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: _____
Stanley J. Dostatni, President

ATTEST:

Lynn Laviolette, Secretary