BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF MAY 9, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, May 3, 2024, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – present.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve the Minutes of the meeting of May 2, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters from other Department Heads/their Representatives, Mr. Smith requests the Board issue subpoenas for a hearing scheduled for June 7, 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$40,713.50 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the 2023-2 CCMG – Summer Street Change Order No. 1 and corresponding Change Order submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-234)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$19,105.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Marble Street Reconstruction and corresponding Agreement submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-235)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$106,493.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Hohman Avenue Reconstruction – Change Order No. 18 and corresponding Change Order submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-236)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$1,755.70 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Hohman North Approach at Sibley – Change Order No. 1 and corresponding Change Order submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-237)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$13,560.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the 415 Sibley Temporary Parking Improvements and Agreement submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-238)

Correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police requesting the approval of the resignation of Zachary Groen effective the close of business on May 19, 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-239)

Correspondence received from Grimmer Construction requesting to close the intersection of Kentucky Avenue and 176th Place as well as 176th Place from Kentucky Avenue west to the dead end starting on or after May 20, 2024 with the intersection closure expected to last 3 weeks and the 176th Place closure to last until mid-October. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-240)

Correspondence received from Wendy Adam, requesting the approval for a parade for the Lakeshore Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth Baseball & Softball Program for June 1, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. and requesting Hammond Police and/or Fire Department escort. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve and forward to Hammond Police Department and Fire Department; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-241)

Under New Business, Request to move forward with bidding fuel purchases. Mr. Smith requests approval for the City to move forward with fuel bids with Port Authority and Water Department. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

SeeClickFix – request for "Slow Children Playing" signs and extra police patrol on the 2700 block of 163rd Place. Mr. Button has no objections for signage and Mr. Long will handle the patrol. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-242)

Right of Way Permit received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-243)

Request for Late Rental Registration Hearings submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for June 13, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-244)

Plat of Amendment - Old Pullman Standard Plant – Second Addition submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-245)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-246)

Under Old Business, Michigan and Kennedy Road Closure. Mr. Milan Kruszynski states that Michigan will stay open but Kennedy will be closed and will begin in a couple weeks. Mr. Kruszynski also is requesting officer patrol overtime for lights if needed and becomes an issue. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-247)

Demolition Hearing – 5629 Calumet Ave. – Mr. Smith states no one is present, proper notice has been given and requests to confirm the Order. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to confirm the Order; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-248)

Gas Station Exception – Neelam Inc. – Citgo, 3550 169th. Lt. Gootee states FUSUS is connected but no view to the inside clerk. Attorney Scott Yahne states there have been issues with Comcast. Owner states they can provide inside viewing if needed and wasn't purposely not cooperating, thought it was for outside. She has no objection to inside camera. Mr. Novak requests old pay phone be removed, light pole has exposed wires, discussed the placement of the ADA spacing and the landscaping. Mr. Yahne states the pay phone has been removed, the exposed wires has been addressed, waiting on spring for the asphalt and will probably take about a month. Mr. Smith states all issue with secretary of state have been addressed and shows they are in compliance and reminds them of the annual renewal 60 days prior. No action.

Rehearing for Late Business License Fee – D.G.B. Auto Sales, 5850 Hohman Ave. Mr. Daniel Burns appears and states he missed last hearing because he isn't receiving his mail. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-249)

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 4923 Ash (SFH) and 4927 Ash (2-unit/1 owner occupied). Owner present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-250)

6924 Columbia (6). Owner present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-250)

Under Matters Open to the Public, Mr. Joseph Kelly from XPO Trucking has an issue with an off truck route ticket. Mr. Long states this can be addressed after meeting.

Chris Moore states he is working on a study on Carolina Avenue and there are parking issues with the businesses. Mr. Long states this has been an ongoing problem for community policing.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

Jeffery Long, Presider

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Linda Norville-Moles, Board Secretary