

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2024**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, September 19, 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 September 12, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Bid Openings, Demolitions for Properties located at: 5627-5629 Calumet, 918 Willow, 54 Mason, 4625 Sheffield, 1021 Moss, 2104 Sherman.

Actin Contracting, LLC	\$161,465.00
JM Industrial Services, Inc.	\$179,600.00

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to refer to Inspections for review and tabulation; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 24-4174

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police requesting approval of Sgt. Andrew Laurinec transfer from Uniform/Patrol Division to Community Affairs Division effective October 1, 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-882)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$447,000.00 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the 2024 Street Resurfacing submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-883)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$13,487.32 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Ditch Clearing - Cline Ave. Service Road submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-884)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting \$2,555.13 of CIB Funding to be allocated to investigate Parkway sinkhole at 730 173rd Street submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-885)

Correspondence received from Bernard Grisiola, Fire Chief requesting the approval of the following promotions: Engineer Casey McClusky to be promoted to the rank of Battalion Chief and Private 1st Class Edward Wagner to be promoted to the rank of Engineer, all effective September 6, 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-886)

Correspondence received from F.H. Paschen requesting full closure of Johnson Avenue and Henry Avenue at the NICTD/SSL tracks and requesting to extend the dates for full closure at Hohman Avenue to tie in the new NICTD railroad tracks and requesting to work 24-hour days starting September 27, 2024 for five days. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-887)

Correspondence received from Aileen Ibarra, Special Events Coordinator requesting permission to hold the 2024 Hammond Veterans Appreciation Day Parade on Saturday November 2, 2024 with attached route. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-888)

Correspondence received from Aaron Eggers, First Baptist Church of Hammond requesting that Oakley Street be closed between Sibley Blvd. and State Street to host their Annual Ladies Conference on October 4, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-889)

Correspondence received from Aaron Eggers, First Baptist Church of Hammond requesting that State Street from Willow Court to Oakley Street be closed each Sunday from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell request Mr. Eggers appearance and send notification; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-890)

Correspondence received from Mellissa Guerra requesting the following: A school speed limit sign of 20 miles per hour and a crosswalk with a light to be established on Chicago Ave. between Calumet Ave. and Hohman Avenue. A school speed limit sign of 20 miles per hour to be established on Calumet Avenue between Michigan Ave. and 150th Street and for the guardrail on the east side of Calumet Avenue north of Michigan Ave. to be extended to 150th Street. Mr. Button advises there is no school near Chicago Avenue and does not recommend extending guardrails. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to deny; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-891)

Under New Business, Memorandum of Understanding between School City of Hammond and Hammond Police Department. Mr. Smith states this is for an emergency response between Police Department and School City. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-892)

Notice of Violation Hearing for property located at 1520 Myrtle Ave. Inspector Pajdzik advises property was inspected on August 14, 2024. The current owner is using the property as a single family home which was registered as a two unit rental. Mr. Pajdzik explained to him if he wants to use it as a single family home, he would have to remove the rear kitchen and rear apartment. He has pulled permit and work has begun to convert property to a single family home. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve the Findings; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-893)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-894)

Right of Way Permits (2) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-895)

Disposal Authorization received from Hammond Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-896)

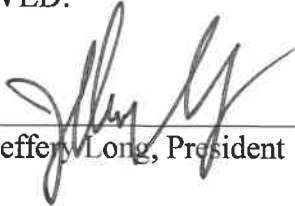
Under Old Business, 6333 Garfield. Owner present with interpreter. Mr. Kearney reads Mr. Lewter's notes. Spoke to Mike Eby who is not licensed in Hammond and is aware the next testing date is October 7. Owners have given him a down payment. Ms. Redfield states she got back the deposit from a friend who was going to do some work. Mr. Kearney requests a status date of October 17<sup>th</sup> to establish if Mr. Eby has passed the contractor's test and if not, we may offer a temporary license being that he is an established contractor. Owner does not need to be present at the status. Mr. Long states the Board believed the status today was to make sure the work was completed outside. Ms. Redfield states she has been cleaning and the family has been helping. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set status for October 17, 2024; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Late Business License, R&R Food & Deli – 1403 173<sup>rd</sup>. No one present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell deny waiver of late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 24-897)


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 9:28 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:

  
Jeffrey Long, President

ATTEST:

  
Linda Norville, Board Secretary