

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

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

JULY 23, 2009

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met July 23, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in city Hall Present were members Mayor Jon Costas, Bill Oeding, Chuck Williams and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Swihart. Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Oeding moved that the minutes of the July 9, 2009 meeting be approved as presented, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved. Chuck Williams moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

INDOT/LPA AGREEMENT SILHAVY & VALE PARK ROUNDABOUT

Tim Burkman presented an INDOT/LPA Agreement for Silhavy & Vale Park Roundabout for approval and execution. Mayor Costas moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

ESSEX PARK PHASE 3 – CITY STREETS

Tim Burkman asked to defer this matter to a later date.

CLAIM DEFAULT ON SURETY AUDUBON ESTATES PHASE I

Tim Burkman requests claim of default on surety for Audubon Estates Phase 1. There have been six extensions since November 2000. Surety amount is \$8,160.00. Developer has been contacted for extension if surety was increased to current construction costs. He has not responded. Surety expires July 31st. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Tim Burkman presented the recommendations from the Traffic & Safety Committee. The first recommendation is to remove the “No Parking between 8 AM and 2 PM” signs on the south side of Chestnut Street, between Madison Street and Campbell Street. The second recommendation is to post the speed limit on Cumberland Drive between Vale Park Road and Bullseye Lake Road at 30 MPH. Mayor Costas moved to approve the recommendations, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CHANGE IN CITY STANDARDS

Tim Burkman submitted a request to change the geogrid on local streets. The BX 1200 is what is used currently. The BX 1100 is recommended for residential streets, with the BX 1200 to remain on streets with heavier traffic. Mayor Costas moved to approve change, seconded by Chuck Williams, after discussion the matter was approved by all.

**AMENDMENT TO REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT
CUMBERLAND CROSSING**

Stu Sommers presented an amendment to the Redevelopment Agreement for Cumberland Crossing. The bond acquisition cost was approximately \$1.1 million dollars with the road cost exceeding \$2 million Dollars. In order for the bonds to remain tax exempt and adhere to IRS regulations, the entire cost needs to be charged to the road project. The developer will reimburse the Redevelopment Commission the \$1.1 million dollars of acquisition cost. Mayor Costas moved to approve the amendment, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS:

1. Street closure for Valparaiso Street for Grand Opening of The Valparaiso International Center, Saturday September 19, 2009, 8AM to 10PM.
2. Street closure for Oak Grove Drive for Valparaiso Night Out Against Crime, Tuesday August 4, 2009 6PM to 8:30PM.
3. Street closure for Boca Raton, Boca Loga, neighborhood for The Big Boca, Saturday August 8, 2009.

Mayor Costas moved to approve all three requests, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

PARKING & SIDEWALK EASEMENT VACATION FOR COLLEGE VIEW APARTMENTS

Bill Ferngren on behalf of L. Gough presented a vacation of the parking and sidewalk easement for COLLEGE VIEW APARTMENTS. These are platted easements and must be approved by the Board. Mayor Costas recused himself. Chuck Williams moved to approve the vacation of parking and sidewalk easements, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

Don McGinley reported that Valparaiso Street should be opened for traffic by July 31st.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.