

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS &
SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
AUGUST 28, 2008**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana, met on August 28, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were members Mayor Jon Costas, John Hardwick and Chuck Williams and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Swihart.

Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chuck Williams moved that the minutes of the August 14, 2008 meeting be approved as presented, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved. John Hardwick moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

SALT BID ACCEPTANCE

Bill Oeding advised that there was actually only one bid for winter salt and it was from Cargill. They did not bid on what was asked for but did bid on 2,000 tons of treated road salt. There is an extreme shortage of salt and Bill recommended that we accept the bid as received from Cargill. 2,000 tons of treated road salt at \$61.54 a ton. Mayor Costas moved to approve acceptance of that bid, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

EASTPORT CENTRE DRIVE REALIGN. BIDS

Clerk Treasurer Swihart advised that we received 4 bids on the Eastport Centre Drive Realignment project and Tim Burkman came up to help open and read the bids.

1. Rieth Riley \$ 338,495.07
2. Walsh & Kelly 278,063.20
3. Gariup 328,000.00
4. G. E. Marshall 240,437.00

Mayor Costas moved that the bids be referred to the engineering department to go through the bids making sure they are all compliant, to make an award and execute contracts with the lowest/most responsive bidder, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

POLICE STATION SIGN

Craig Phillips presented a request for placement of a sign for the police department in the Washington Street right-of-way. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

TRANSIT POLICIES CHANGES

Tyler Kent presented transit policies needed to comply with the State of Indiana and NIRPC agreement. Hollenbeck has looked everything over and finds it to be okay. The policies include procurement policy, grievance appeals process, rules of conduct and deviation of services. Mayor Costas moved to approve the new policies, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

FINAL RETAINAGE RELEASE-SNEMIS

Don McGinley presented a request to release the final retainage to Snemis Construction on the new police station. He finalized a punch list and everything was done. Mayor Costas moved to approve the request, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CODE VIOLATION APPEAL-408 MORGAN

Vicki Thrasher and Atty. Dave Hollenbeck conducted the appeal of Code Enforcement violations at two properties. First, Habitat for Humanity has purchased the empty lot at 408 Morgan Street where the City has been mowing the grass. They asked that we waive the administrative costs on this and they will reimburse the mowing fees. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

CODE VIOLATION APPEAL-1300 NAPOLEON ST.

Charles Robinson, 1300 Napoleon Street, was present to appeal his Code Violations. Vicki Thrasher did advise that he has been making some progress in the correcting the violations. After discussion Hollenbeck worked a reasonable time table out with Mr. Robinson in getting the work done. This will be taken under advisement, he will be given 60 days at which time Vicki Thrasher will present a report on the progress. This was approved on motion of Mayor Costas, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

There was no further business and Mayor Costas declared the meeting adjourned.