

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS &
SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 25, 2008**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met on September 25, 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 September 11, 2008 meeting be approved as submitted, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved. John Hardwick moved that claims be approved subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

HORIZON BANK PARKING

Bill Jarvis, landowner, presented a request for approval of parking arrangements for Horizon Bank on the corner of Horseprairie and Highway 30. He explained the parking arrangements that were made when Valparaiso Tire was put in. Tim Burkman advised that he had no knowledge that this was on the agenda and would have to review this and what happened when Valpo Tire was built to make any knowledgeable recommendation. Mayor Costas moved that this be referred to the engineering department for review and for them to talk with Mr. Jarvis about this before coming back with any recommendation, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

JET DEV/REDEVELOPMENT – PARKING LOT

Atty. Hollenbeck presented a Memorandum of Understanding for the Franklin House parking lot between JET Development and the Redevelopment Commission. This memorandum contains some broad parameters in regard to the usage and this will be included at a later date into the Village Station site. Chuck Williams moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

ROW DEDICATION-UNIVERSITY VILLAGE

Tim Burkman requested acceptance of the Right-of-Way dedication for Lincolnway and Laporte Avenue for the University Village project. He would like this accepted with the understanding that no building permits be issued for Building #4 until the requirement for the Roosevelt Road dedication is satisfied and also conditional upon the engineer's review of the final document. Chuck Williams moved to accept the ROW dedication subject to the requirements set forth, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved. Mayor Costas recused himself from the vote due to his relationship with Larry Gough.

PORTER BUSINESS CTR. IMPROVEMENTS ACCEPTANCE

Tim Burkman requested acceptance of the improvements at Porter Business Center subject to receipt of a one year \$10,000 Maintenance Surety. Mayor Costas moved to approve the acceptance subject to receipt of the surety, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

257 BROWN DEMOLITION

Sharon Swihart opened two quotes presented by Vicki Thrasher for demolition of 257 Brown Street. Tri, Inc. quoted \$18,421.00 and Marshall Excavation quoted \$23,850.00. Mayor Costas moved that these quotes be referred to Vicki for review and permission to award the job to the most responsible and responsive quoter, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS

1. Benjamin Walker requested permission to hold two small concerts in his yard to shoot part of a music video and perform a small show. After conversation it was determined that he did not need permission from the Board since it was being held on private property and no road closure was requested.
2. Annual "Life Chain" on Sunday, October 5th from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.
3. VHS Homecoming Parade on Friday, September 26th starting at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Costas moved to approve the last two requests, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

TREE INVENTORY GRANT

Bill Oeding requested permission to apply for a grant application for continuing the tree inventory. Mayor Costas moved to approve the request, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

NORTH HAMPSTED RE-PLAT

Craig Phillips presented a re-plat on North Hampsted so that each lot would either be used to build three single family units or four duplex units. John Hardwick moved to approve the re-plat, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved. Mayor Costas recused himself from the vote due to his involvement in the project.

Steve Doniger reported the Park Foundation would be holding a "Saturday in the Park" fund raiser on October 5th.

CENTER TWP. FIRE CONTRACT

Atty. Hollenbeck presented the Center Twp. Fire Protection contract for 2009. It is the same as last year, \$850,000. John Hardwick moved to approve the contract, seconded by Chuck Williams and so approved.

There was no more business and Mayor Costas adjourned the meeting.