

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS &
SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
JULY 12, 2007**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana, met on July 12, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. Present were members Mayor Jon Costas, John Hardwick and Dave Pilz and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Rosenbaum. Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dave Pilz moved that the minutes of the June 28, 2007 meeting be approved as presented, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved. John Hardwick moved that claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Dave Pilz and so approved.

BIDS TO SELL RECYCLING CONVEYOR

Bill Oeding requested permission to advertise for bids to sell a recycling conveyor that is no longer needed. Mayor Costas moved to approve permission, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

SALT BIDS

The salt bids for the Public Works Department were opened as follows:

Cargill - \$42.53

Central Salt - \$51/45/\$54.95

Morton Salt – No Bid

North American Salt - \$43.42/\$46.92

The bids were referred to Bill Oeding for recommendation on motion of Mayor Costas, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

Dave Pilz presented the following recommendations from the Traffic & Safety Committee:

1. Post Mound Street as “One Way” westbound from Linwood Avenue to Greenwich Street.
2. Installation of a street light at the intersection of Vale Park Road and Froberg Road (150 West).

Mayor Costas moved to approve the recommendations, seconded by Dave Pilz and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS

Request for MDA “Fill the Boot” campaign from 9-5 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 24, 25, 26, 2007. Bill Oeding wrote that the City has never allowed solicitations in the street. He feels that people are intimidated and give for the wrong reasons. If this is approved others will ask for permission to solicit in this manner. Dave Pilz stated that the policy of the City has always been in opposition of this type of thing,

mainly due to a safety standpoint. He will oppose this for that reason. It is for an excellent purpose but if we allow it we would be setting a precedent and opening the door for all kinds of requests for this same type of activity. Dan Lamb was present and advised that the Firefighter's Union feels very strong about this but he agrees that it should not be done in the street but at storefronts. Mayor Costas moved to deny the request to fundraise on the street but encourages them to fundraise at storefronts, seconded by Dave Pilz and so approved.

Request for Lakepoint Gardens block party to be held on Saturday, June 21, 2007 from 2-7 p.m.

Request for Neighborhood Ice Cream Party in Hawthorne Subdivision to be held on Saturday, August 1, 2007 from 4-10 p.m.

Mayor Costas moved to approve both subject to remarks from department heads that emergency and property owners are given access, seconded by Dave Pilz and so approved.

Michael Renehan with the South Shore Chamber Orchestra was present and asked for permission to perform a free concert downtown on the sidewalk in front of Old World Market on Saturday, July 28, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. There will be six musicians performing along with the conductor. Old World Market will have refreshments and picnic packs for sale. Dave Pilz advised that there is work being done at that site and he is not sure if it will be done by that date. After discussion, Mayor Costas moved that this be approved at that location if the work is done and if not they can set up on the bump out across the street and on the Courthouse side, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

BRT TRANSIT PROPOSAL-COLONIAL COACH LINES

Tyler Kent advised that the Redevelopment committee will be interviewing Colonial Coaches for service next week for the BRT transit service to Chicago. They are hoping to receive a grant for buses but it would not be received for year one. Dave Pilz moved to receive the proposal and have the committee take it under consideration, seconded by John Hardwick and so approved.

The meeting adjourned.