

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

VALPARAISO, INDIANA

October 13, 2011

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met October 13, 2011, at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were Mayor Costas, Bill Oeding and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Swihart. Mayor Costas called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Costas moved that the minutes of the September 22, 2011 meeting be approved, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved. Bill Oeding moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Mayor Costas and so approved.

AMBULANCE COMPANY CONTRACT APPROVAL

Chief Nondorf requested approval for the new ambulance billing contract with Intermedix. A new audit procedure was required by the State Board of Accounts that the current company could not accommodate, so a change had to be made. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

2012 FIRE PROTECTION SERVICE AGREEMENT

Attorney Hollenbeck presented for approval the 2012 Fire Protection Service Agreement between the City and Center Township for \$932,000.00. Trustee Chuck Conover also stated the Township's intention to purchase bunker gear for the Fire Department in addition to the 2012 agreement. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

TRAFFIC & SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

The Traffic and Safety Committee has studied the following items, has considered all apparent aspects and hereby **recommends for the Board's consideration and approval:**

1. Post the speed limit on Beech Street from Sturdy Road to Parkside Avenue as 25 MPH.
2. Post the east side of Franklin Street between Jefferson Street and Chicago Street as 3-hour Parking Only (Zone C).
3. Remove the "No Parking - Here to Corner" restriction from the east side of Lafayette Street, north of Monroe Street.

Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

RIGHT-OF-WAY DEDICATION ON HORSEPRARIE DRIVE

Tim Burkman requested acceptance of three items with the first being the right-of-way dedication on Horseprairie Avenue for the proposed project at 455 Morthland Drive. The second is a pathway easement on Roosevelt Road from Thorgren tool and Molding Company, Inc. and the third is acceptance of a streetscape easement at 3200 Calumet. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

DLZ AGREEMENTS

Tim Burkman requested approval of the two DLZ agreements for the North Calumet Avenue streetscape for \$53,700.00 and the supplemental agreement for the Burlington Beach Road Project at \$48,680.00. Both agreements will be funded by Redevelopment Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

SECONDARY PLAT APPROVAL

Tim Burkman requested approval for the secondary plat for a 2 lot commercial subdivision. There are also some reciprocal easement agreements for shared access, shared parking and utilities. Mayor Costas moved to approve subject to reciprocal easement agreements being executed and recorded, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

CITIZEN REQUESTS

1. Approval is requested for street closure for the annual Fall Harvest Festival (Downtown Trick or Treat) to be held on Friday October 28th from 4-6pm. Streets closed would be Franklin and Washington from Jefferson to Indiana and Lafayette from Lincolnway to Indiana.

Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

DECORATIVE LIGHTS

Bill Oeding reported that there are six decorative lights along Lafayette that have not been in operation for some years. The owner has been contacted and has willingly signed them over to the City. They will be cleaned and fixed with LED lights. Mayor Costas moved to approve the City taking responsibility for the lights, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

VU FIREWORKS

Chief Nondorf requested approval for the date changes of the VU fireworks. The previous approval dates were rained out. The new dates are October 29th and December 1st. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

PROTEST

John Gable requested approval to hold a peaceful protest in support of the occupy Wall Street protest on Saturday October 15th in front of Chase Bank at Lincolnway and Franklin Street from 10am to 6pm. Protestors are not allowed to impede the entrance and exit from the building. If the group is larger than ten to twelve people, they will locate across the street in front of the courthouse to the larger sidewalk area. Mayor Costas moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.