

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
September 28, 2018**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met September 28, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were Bill Oeding, Steve Poulos and Attorney Ethan Lowe. Bill Oeding called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bill Oeding moved that the minutes of the September 14, 2018 meeting be approved, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Bill Oeding moved that the claims be approved for payment and subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Pepper Cove Pathway Easement

Adam McAlpine requested acceptance of the Pathway Easement for Pepper Cove Development. Pepper Cove has been platted. It came to the attention of the developer that to create the excel/decal lanes they need 2' of the back side of several lots.

Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

**Right of Way Dedication
2803 Valparaiso Street & 2809 Valparaiso Street**

Adam McAlpine requested approval of a Right of Way Dedication for 2803 and 2809 Valparaiso Street. They will build the sidewalks yet this year.

Steve Poulos moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

Animal Shelter Contract

Bill Oeding moved to approve the Animal Shelter Contract contingent on City Attorney review and approval, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Donate Fire Apparatus to the MAAC Training Facility

Chad Dutz requested approval to donate a 1996 Engine to the MAAC Training Facility. This would allow them to have that vehicle for training and leave their other equipment free to respond to calls. The value of the engine is approximately \$25,000.00. Ethan Lowe asked to have this item tabled to give him time to review and make certain the best method is being utilized for this donation.

Snow Removal for Transit Area

Tyler Kent requested approval to seek bids for snow removal at the Transit Areas.

Steve Poulos moved to approve, seconded by Bill Oeding and so approved.

Citizen Requests

1. Request approval for a school in Merrillville (Paul Mitchell school) to hold a “Free Hugs Day” taking place on October 9, 2018 from 1-3 pm
2. Approval for a wine tasting at Old World Market taking place on Saturday October 20, 2018 from 11 am-3 pm
3. Approval for 3rd Annual Grub Run for Christian Food pantry taking place on Saturday October 20, 2018 from 9-11 am.

Bill Oeding moved to approve all three requests, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Walk for Freedom

Ethan Lowe advised the conflict has been resolved with the Walk for Freedom on October 20, 2018 from 9-10:30 am. They are starting earlier and will confine themselves to the sidewalks around the Courthouse.

Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

1000 Valley Drive – Quit Claim Deed

Ethan Lowe requested acceptance of a Quit Claim deed from the City to the Redevelopment Commission.

Bill Oeding moved to approve, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Right of Way Acquisitions/Silhavy Road

Ethan Lowe advised there are two properties that have not reached an agreement with the City for right of way on Silhavy Road. He asked permission to use eminent domain process if an agreement is not reached to keep in the time frame for this project.

Bill Oeding moved to approve that the City move forward with the acquisition of the two properties, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.