

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WAS HELD IN THE THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM AT THE CITY/COUNTY BUILDING ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2014 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mickey Thompson, member, and Warren V. Nash, president. Cheryl Cotner was absent.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Moeller, Police Chief Bailey, Dave Duggins, Michael Hall, Fire Marshall Chris Koehler, Jessica Campbell, Larry Summers, David Hall, David Brewer, John Rosenbarger, Deputy Chief Brian Gadd, Alicia Meredith, and Mindy Milburn.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Nash called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Wes Christmas re: E. Main Street project update

Mr. Christmas explained that they conducted a substantial completion inspection with MAC and city staff to generate the formal punch list of items that need to be addressed and they will be distributing this to the contractor soon.

2. Mark Bliss re: Speeding issues on Division Street and safety issues with missing fence in parking lot

Mr. Bliss with Pastor Neil Crouse explained that they removed a chain link fence behind the Calumet Club which looks wonderful and they now share the parking lot. He stated that the problem with this is that now vehicles are using that as a cut through because of Spring being a one-way street and they are darting between cars and someone is going to end up getting seriously hurt. He stated that coming up Division towards Vincennes the vehicles are also consistently speeding which is another major concern for them in that area. He explained that they church has youth services on Wednesdays and they both have other events in that area that increases the number of pedestrians in the area and it is becoming a huge safety concern for them.

Mr. Nash asked if they are coming from 15th

Mr. Bliss stated that it is both ways from 15th and Vincennes and now because it is all open in that lot more cars are using it to cut through.

Mr. Nash asked where the fence was previously located

Mr. Bliss explained that it divided the parking lots behind the Calumet Club. He stated that ideally they would like to close Division at the end so they don't come flying up the street and it is one-way coming in so it doesn't really add anything to traffic flow to have it open. He stated that they are open to different scenarios to address this issue but they would like to do something before someone gets hurt.

Mr. Thompson stated that he thought it was one-way west

Mr. Nash stated that he thought the same thing.

Mr. Bliss stated that it is confusing and why it is so dangerous because people use it both ways all the time. He explained that speed bumps would help but their ultimate goal would be to close it off.

Mr. Nash stated that it sounds like the whole area needs to be looked at.

Mr. Bliss stated that **Mr. Thompson** did come out to look at the area a couple of months back and got to see firsthand the speeding issues.

Mr. Nash asked **Mr. Summers** to look at this and get back with them next week.

Mr. Summers stated that he would go out there and talk with **Mr. Bliss**.

Pastor Crouse stated that on Sunday and Wednesday they do see how dangerous it is and they try to have a security team to help out but they can't control the cars and their speed.

3. Israel Landin re: Permission to set tables outside of business and place sign on business at 1515 E. Market St. for Taste of Mexico

Mr. Landin stated that he would like to put tables outside of his restaurant and hang a 3X3 sign above the door

Mr. Nash asked how many tables

Mr. Landin stated 3-4

Mr. Thompson asked him to get drawing of the layout with the size of the table and the area so that they can make sure it is ADA compliant and bring it back to the board for approval.

Mr. Landin stated that he could do that.

Mr. Thompson stated that the sign request needs to go through the Building Commissioners and once they get the drawing the board could make a decision about the tables.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Debra Henry stated that she has already talked to the police chief about the speed on 15th and Vincennes and commented that it is highly congested in that area as well and a safety hazard. She explained that they have a sidewalk issue by the car wash on East Elm towards Vincennes with a large chunk of the sidewalk missing and rebar sticking out and asked if someone could come out to look at it. She added that the daycare in that area is still operating illegally.

Mr. Nash asked what they have done about the Day Care

Fire Chief Koehler stated that he called the state and they are operating legally in the house that they are in and do have a license to be at that address.

Mrs. Henry asked how that could be when they aren't zoned properly.

Mr. Brewer stated that those are two different issues and the attorney's are handling it.

Mr. Nash stated that they could have a permit and still not be zoned properly.

Chief Bailey asked if she has reached out to DCS and recommended that she make sure they follow up.

Mr. Nash asked **Chief Bailey** to check speeding on 15th.

Chief Bailey stated that they will.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. East Main Street Change Order #1

Mr. Christmas stated that essentially 92% of this was for three items that were requested of MAC to complete in order to increase the longevity and quality of product. He explained that they requested that the removed the abandon rail beneath the surface in the median area, patching of asphalt areas that had failed during inspection, full depth reconstruction from 16th to Vincennes. He stated that the remaining \$24,000.00 was primarily for the increase in trees that were requested and other minor items and adjustments.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve, **Mr. Nash** second, motion carries.

2. Time Warner re: Street cut request on East Spring Street

Mr. Summers stated they got the layout of the street cuts and they have requested 10 cuts on Spring Street so he would like to have a meeting with them regarding these cuts because he is not comfortable with the plan as presented.

BIDS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

Mr. Nash stated that they got a letter from Historical Preservation Commission regarding the expansion of East Spring Street Historic Districts and examined that the letter says that unless objections are received in 30 days the property will be listed and if objections are received the review board will hear them.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that Scott Wood handles this and explained that the National Register Nomination is mostly for the notoriety and gives access to some tax credits. He stated that his shouldn't be confused with the Historic District which is the local control of aesthetics.

Mr. Thompson asked for clarification that this isn't handcuffing the city to anything because they don't control aesthetics.

Mr. Rosenbarger explained that it is mostly used for analysis when doing a federal aid project.

Mr. Thompson asked if they should have legal review this to see if there is anything they need to do.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that they aren't asking them to do anything just putting them on notice but he can contact Mr. Wood and the attorney to see if there is any reason to object be he doesn't think that there is.

Mrs. Moeller presented the October Bank Reconciliations and asked that it be entered into the record.

Michael Hall stated that the Holiday Fest is this Saturday along with Jingle Walk which starts at 1:00 p.m. He explained that they will have wine vendors in local shops and the Holiday Fest starts at 6:00 p.m. at Bicentennial Park and stated that there will be children's activities at YMCA

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the Claims Docket for 11/14 – 11/26/2014 for approval that included the following:

General Claims (Bank 1):	\$72,097.40
Fire Department:	\$13,693.70
Police Department:	\$55,099.38
Street Department:	\$21,139.84
Parks Department:	\$10,731.31
Stormwater/Drainage:	\$15,987.63
Redevelopment (Banks-A,G,T,1,6,111B):	\$662,094.90
Medical/Drug Fund (Bank L):	\$1,296.40
Payroll Claims (Bank 2):	\$1,041,512.67
Sanitation Fund:	\$0.00
Thursday Utility Claims:	\$52,180.50
Grand Total:	\$1,945,833.73

Mr. Thompson moved to approve, Mr. Nash second, all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Nash moved to approve the Regular meeting minutes for November 18, 2014, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Warren V. Nash, President

Mindy Milburn, Deputy City Clerk

