

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, DECEMBER 12, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mickey Thompson, member and Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member. Warren V. Nash, president, was not present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bryan Slade, Robert Lee, Chris Gardner, Sidney Main, Police Chief Bailey, Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Fire Chief Juliot, Fire Marshal Koehler, Alicia Meredith, Linda Moeller, Larry Summers, Jessica Campbell, Tonya Fisher, Krystina Jarboe, David Hall, Courtney Lewis and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Joshua Hickey, Windstream re: Request to construct fiber for Baptist Health

Mr. Daniel Leskinen introduced his manager Mr. Mark Mills and stated that their customer is eager for them to get started on the fiber project. He then asked if the board had any concerns that they could help alleviate.

Mr. Thompson stated that the board has not had a chance to do a review of the permit process so he doesn't have anything different to tell them today.

Mr. Mills asked if it is something that the board is changing.

Mr. Thompson stated that is correct and that they are reviewing the permitting process and making changes to it.

Mr. Mills stated that Baptist Health is eager to get this off the ground because it will only benefit the community.

Mr. Thompson stated that he understands that and added that the board is eager to get the permit process lined out and up to the standard that we want it to be.

Mr. Mills asked if there is a timeline that they can tell the hospital. He added that this was actually walked out in January of this year with a previous engineer with Windstream and that Mr. Thompson walked it out with him.

Mr. Thompson stated that is correct.

Mr. Mills stated that if there were concerns, he believes they have been addressed.

Mr. Thompson stated that the board cannot give permission until the review of the permitting process is taken care of.

Mr. Charlie Booth, Baptist Health, stated that in the healthcare community they have a program that keeps all health records for every individual that comes into a hospital. He explained that information goes into a national database which is called Epic and they spent hundreds of millions of dollars implementing that system into the Baptist Healthcare network. He said that they need this fiber optics network in order to connect Floyd to that network and they will have to do a dual and diverse because there is cable in the ground right now where they

can have some connectivity but cannot have reliable connectivity into the Epic network until the additional fiber is laid. He also said that it is imperative that they get that in place as soon as possible for the wellbeing of the community and the hospital.

Mr. Thompson stated that the board understands that since it involves the hospital it is a sensitive issue and we want to get it approved but until we get through our review of the permitting process, we cannot give an answer.

Mr. Booth asked if he has any idea when that may be completed.

Mr. Thompson replied no but said because of the sensitivity of this issue, the board will expedite the process.

Mr. Mills stated that they appreciate that.

Mr. Booth asked what their next step should be to follow up.

Mr. Thompson asked for his contact information to follow up with him as well as contact information for Mr. Mills and Mr. Leskinen.

2. Vectren re: Cut request for 1112 E Spring St (15256949) – Sidewalk Cut

Mr. David Lush requested the above sidewalk cut for installation of a new gas service.

Mr. Thompson asked if they started on that yesterday.

Mr. Lush replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Thompson stated that Mr. Michael Proctor met him before the meeting and provided drawings of his plan to place a cold drink machine in front of their building on E. Main Street.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked the address.

Mr. Proctor stated that it is 1702 E. Main Street.

Mr. Thompson asked the name of the club.

Mr. Proctor replied the Highlighters Club.

Mr. Thompson stated that the drawing shows the measurements and they would not interfere with ADA requirements. He also stated that he discussed securing the machine to the building for safety purposes so that there wouldn't be an accident with the public tipping it over onto themselves and Mr. Proctor assured him that they would take care of that.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if the city would need anything from them as far as insurance.

Mr. Summers stated that the city should be named as also insured on their policy.

Mr. Thompson stated that the city would have to be named as also insured so that if there were some type of incident and someone got hurt.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey requested that once they have documentation listing the city as additional insured that they submit a copy of that information to the city clerk's office.

Mr. Proctor stated that he would.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the installation of drink machine subject to it being anchored to the building and that they provide proof of the city being named as additional insured, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

Mr. Phipps, 3rd District Councilmember, stated that he is present for the same reason as the last time he was here and that is crosswalk safety. He explained that there are several issues with the E. 10th Street and E. Elm Street intersection and several residents have said that they have had near misses with people flying through the intersection because motorists are just not stopping. He said that he is not sure why the red flashers were taken down at E. 8th Street and E. 10th Street and wonders if that was a mistake to remove those particularly on E. Elm Street and E. 10th Street. He added that a lot of people from out of town don't see the stop sign on E. 10th Street because of the curve so they just continue on to E. Elm Street. He said that one solution might be if a stop sign could be placed on the telephone pole that is directly in line with the intersection in addition to the stop sign that is already there. He then explained that the crosswalk issues have been going on since the new yellow flashers were installed and he is glad that they are there but motorists are simply not stopping in about 80% of the cases when the lights are flashing. He said that another issue is that he has seen the lights flashing when no one is in the crosswalk particularly at E. 10th Street and E. Spring Street.

Mr. Summers stated that there were issues with some of the chips and they replaced them in some of the flashers throughout the corridor but he has noticed an issue with another one so now they are replacing the chips in all of them.

Mr. Phipps stated that he noticed that the light at Scribner Drive and Market Street is being taken down and asked if any of those parts could be used as flashers and put back at E. 10th Street and E. Elm Street or E. 8th Street and E. Elm Street. He suggested stretching them across the utility poles.

Mr. Thompson stated that it typically can't be used for a flasher because it also has a yellow and green light and is all one unit. He said that they did put a red flashing light on top of the new stop sign on E. Market Street to alert people to the new stop.

Mr. Phipps said that maybe those could be used at those intersections of concern.

Mr. Thompson stated that they typically only leave those up until the public is aware of the new stop.

Mr. Phipps stated that there has been educational information on the crosswalks in the sewer bill as well as the newspaper but a lot of people don't read either. He then suggested putting the little flexible cones in the intersections and said that if they get knocked down it is no big deal but they would be visible and alert motorists that it is a crosswalk. He said that he would be willing to write an appropriation from the council to pay for those because he is so concerned that a serious accident could happen.

Mr. Summers stated that one of the final steps that he was going to go through on the entire grid modernization project is a comprehensive look at the grid to see if there are any items that need to be addressed so he will look into the safety of the crosswalks as part of that process.

Mr. Phipps thanked the board for hearing his concerns.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Graceland Church re: request for banner to be hung on Tuesday, December 12th

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked Mrs. Glotzbach to let them know that the next time they have a banner request that they wait to have the banner made until the request is approved by the board because she would hate for them to be out any money if the banner is not approved.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

2. Windstream re: request to construct fiber for Baptist Health

Mr. Thompson pointed out that this item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Larry Summers re: Paving Charlestown Road from the North Y to Vincennes Street

Mr. Summers explained that the water company is done or at least relatively close to being done with their work in the area of Charlestown Road from the North Y to Vincennes Street. He said that MAC was actually out there yesterday regrading some areas and hoping to get some binder down possibly this week.

2. Larry Summers re: Striping of Green Valley Road

Mr. Summers explained that Green Valley Road was being striped yesterday and the road is not in its final form but he wanted to get it striped before winter.

3. Larry Summers re: Daisy Lane and State Street Intersection

Mr. Summers stated that the intersection at Daisy Lane and State Street is being worked on right now but there have been some difficulties because it is almost solid rock under that intersection so boring the conduit for that particular signal has been harder than they anticipated. He added that they are still planning to be done this week.

4. Larry Summers re: Southeast corner of Daisy Lane

Mr. Summers explained that they are going to be forming up the curb and sidewalk at the southeast corner on Daisy Lane near the bowling alley and will hopefully be pouring concrete on Thursday.

5. Mickey Thompson re: IN-AWC work at Beeler Street and E. 15th Street

Mr. Thompson explained that the railroad contacted the water company and gave them permission to start the work that the board had already approved subject to the railroad’s timeline so they contacted the contractor and began work yesterday. He said that there is signage out for the closure for two weeks but the contractor believes that he can get the work done in one week. He also said that the detour is up and emergency services has been notified as well as the businesses and local residents

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the following claims for the period of 11/21/17 to 12/11/17 in the amount of \$3,102,900.56:

General Claims (Bank 1):	197,736.31
Fire Department:	26,052.43
Police Department:	12,271.45
Street Department:	100.00

Parks Department:	12,812.63	
		Total From Above: 248,972.82
Medical/Drug Fund:	67,301.56	
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Payroll Claims:	2,246,252.25	
(Bank 2)		
Sanitation Fund:	91,080.00	
Thursday Utility Claims:	449,293.93	
		Total From Above: 2,853,927.74
		Grand Total: 3,102,900.56

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the above claims, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve Regular Meeting Minutes for December 5, 2017, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Mickey Thompson, Vice President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk