

**A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WAS HELD IN ROOM 100 AT NEW ALBANY CITY HALL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member and Mickey Thompson, president. David Brewer, member, was not present.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Police Chief Bailey, Fire Chief Juliot, Linda Moeller, Phil Aldridge, Sidney Main, Brad Fair, Larry Summers, Mustafa Al-Taie, Bryan Slade, Brad Fair, David Hall, Jessica Campbell 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. Derek Misch, Cristiani re: IAWC Bank Street Water Main Project**

**Mr. Misch** explained that they are going to start this project next Monday and passed out the application for the permit for the board to review. He stated that they want to shut down the southbound lane on Bank Street from Main Street to Pearl Street to do the work from June 27-July 12.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if northbound would remain open.

**Mr. Misch** stated that is how he has it set up.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if any businesses will be affected by the sidewalk closure.

**Mr. Misch** replied yes and stated that his plan is to get with them later this week to bring them up to speed on what is going on. He added that they will keep road plates on hand if anyone needs to get through that section.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if it is just in the sidewalk

**Mr. Misch** stated that it will jump out into the road a little towards Main where the other subcontractor is working.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked how they are going to provide access to the businesses at the Underground Station.

**Mr. Misch** explained that they will keep a road plate on hand and move out of the way when anyone needs to get through by covering the ditch up. He added that unfortunately where it crosses is right at that entrance.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if he would coordinate when the service is interrupted with the businesses to have minimal impact.

**Mr. Misch** replied yes.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked Mr. Thompson if there is some way to get signage out there to let people know that those businesses are open.

**Mr. Thompson** stated that he has already talked with Mr. Staten about getting signage for all the business on Main Street but he doesn't know if they can get it before the 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Mr. Misch** stated that he will start contacting the businesses tomorrow.

**Mr. Thompson** stated that he can give him Mr. Andy Carter's contact information because he owns that plaza and he can provide contacts for each business.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the sidewalk and lane closure on Bank Street subject to signage and coordination with affected businesses, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

**Mr. Misch** passed out a traffic plan for his request for a sidewalk and shoulder closure at the south corner of Vincennes Street and Shelby Place for June 30-July1. He added that after the holiday they would like to close a section of Ekin Avenue between 15<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> streets to work on the section of main that is installed on 15<sup>th</sup> Street. .

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the sidewalk closure at Vincennes Street and Shelby Place, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the road closure to through traffic on Ekin between 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> streets pending notification to the residents, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

**Nick Pledger** presented a letter to the board explaining his situation for them to review and stated that he built a fence a few months back, checking at the Floyd County level for permits, but he didn't realize at the time that he needed to check with the city. He later learned that he did need to have a permit and has tried to correct his mistake but it is pending approval because of the grade in question as well as the fence being built outside of his property line. He added that he is going to a zoning board meeting later this month to address the first issue but in order for them to rule regarding the height they need this board to approve the second issue regarding the property line.

**Mr. Summers** stated that if the board decides to approve leaving the fence as it is, he would request that the city be named as an also insured on the homeowner's insurance.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to take this item under advisement to consult with legal, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

**Nick Thompson, Dave O'Mara, Main Street Project Update** reported that they had to shift traffic to do the work coming across the southern lane and they will need to do that in other locations as well but he they will main traffic by shifting it over flowing eastbound. He added that they will also maintain the crosswalks as long as they aren't working in the middle of one. He stated that he doesn't know if they will be in conflict with any business parking but they will work with them before any of it happens.

**Mr. Mickey Thompson** stated that there was some construction equipment blocking the storefront and he received a complaint from one of the businesses. He asked if they could get a crosswalk opening so that pedestrians could get across the lane.

**Mr. Nick Thompson** stated that they did discuss that and he has been in the process this morning of making it safe to walk.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### **TABLED ITEMS:**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:**

##### **1. Mickey Thompson re: Removal of handicapped parking space at 1813 Culbertson Avenue**

**Mr. Thompson** stated that he received an email request from the new owners of the property at 1813 Culbertson Avenue to remove the handicapped parking space at 1813 Culbertson Avenue.

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

##### **2. Vicki Glotzbach for Porras Group re: Dumpster permit for 217 & 219 Pearl Street starting June 22 for two weeks**

**Mrs. Glotzbach** explained that this company contacted her office to request a dumpster permit at 217 & 219 Pearl Street for a period of two weeks starting June 22.

**Mr. Thompson** stated that he didn't visit the site but he did pull it up on elevate and it doesn't appear that they can get a dumpster on the property

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** moved to approve the first week beginning June 22 with the stipulation that the second week be held off until after the holiday, **Mr. second, motion carries.**

**3. Vicki Glotzbach for Alex Payne re: Dumpster permit request for 1506 E. Oak Street starting June 22 for two weeks**

**Mrs. Glotzbach** explained that Mr. Alex Payne contacted her to request a dumpster permit at 1506 E. Oak Street for a period of two weeks starting June 22.

**Mr. Thompson** stated that this one is not downtown

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

**4. Fire Chief Juliot re: Promotion of Firefighter Trevor Johnson to rank of Sergeant**

**Fire Chief Juliot** presented to the board a letter recommending the promotion of Firefighter Trevor Johnson to the rank of Sergeant. He stated that his assignment will be Engine 3 B-crew and he will have one-year probation. He added that if the board approves the promotion, it will take effect on Wednesday, June 22.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if this is replacing someone that has moved on.

**Fire Chief Juliot** stated that it is due to a retirement.

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

**5. Larry Summers re: State Street Update**

**Mr. Summers** reported that the single family home has been demolished and they are looking at a new commercial development at that location, currently confirmed as a Panera and Chipotle. He stated that to facilitate these developments they need to install a new signal in the corridor to manage traffic. He explained that beginning this week, with advanced signage going out last week, they will be removing ramps in the northbound lane closest to Kroger to be replaced. He reported that they are going to install foundation for the signal posts beginning the week of the 4<sup>th</sup>, moving forward with signal poles and cabinets on the week of the 11<sup>th</sup>, installing the signals and service on the week of the 15<sup>th</sup> followed by pedestrian signals the next week and milling and paving on July 25<sup>th</sup> overnight. He added that as part of this they will be retiming the signals throughout the corridor to allow for the flow of traffic.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked how soon the synchronization of the signals will take place.

**Mr. Summers** stated that it is generally immediate. He added that all the work should be able to be handled with tapered lane shifts that the board will need to approve.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if they would be working on both sides of the road at one time.

**Mike Runion** stated that they will be working at one or the other but not both at one time. He added that they will finish staging the lane closures tomorrow and would start dig out on Thursday or Friday.

**Mr. Thompson** asked when the message boards went up.

**Mike Runion** stated that they went up last Thursday.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** moved to approve the requested lane shifts, **Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

**6. Larry Summers re: Restriping on Charlestown Road between E. Eighth Street and Vincennes Street**

**Mr. Summers** reported that the striping between Vincennes and the North Y was redone on Friday including a new center line and a white edge line to keep traffic away from the curb line. He added that they also installed three sets of rumble strips on each side of the curb to alert that the curb is upcoming and he feels a lot better about the safety of that location moving forward.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**CLAIMS:**

**Mrs. Moeller** presented the following claims for the period of 06/07/22 to 06/22/22 in the amount of \$2,692,768.90:

General Claims (Bank 1):	375,841.09
Fire Department:	31,036.43
Police Department:	30,242.17
Street Department:	700,042.00
Parks Department:	46,967.28
Medical/Drug Fund (Bank L):	162,702.90
Payroll Claims (Bank 2):	1,073,181.55
Sanitation Fund:	-
Thursday Utility Claims:	272,755.48
	Grand Total: 2,692,768.90

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for June 14, 2022 with corrections, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.**

**ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.**

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Mickey Thompson, President

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Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk