

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, JANUARY 5, 2016 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Warren V. Nash, president, Mickey Thompson, member and Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member.

OTHERS PRESENT: Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Police Chief Bailey, Jessica Campbell, Bryan Slade, David Duggins, Chris Gardner, Brandon Sailings, Alicia Meredith, Courtney Lewis, Fire Chief Juliot, Fire Marshal Koehler, John Rosenbarger, Tonya Fischer, Mike Hall, Trent Baker, David Hall, David Duggins and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Gary Brinkworth re: St. Joseph Crossing Plat approval and signatures

Mr. Brinkworth passed out copies of the plat and reviewed them with the board. He said that this subdivision is located on St. Joe Road and the entrance is opposite Red Fox Drive. He stated that this was approved by the plan commission several months ago and the developer actually has all of the infrastructure in other than the asphalt paving and is ready to have his plat recorded. He added that it still has to go to the Floyd County Board of Commissioners tonight for them to sign it.

Mr. Nash stated that this is in the county in the two mile fringe area.

Mr. Brinkworth stated that is correct.

Mr. Nash stated that they are pretty small lots and asked what size the houses are going to be.

Mr. Brinkworth stated that he is not sure but is guessing that they will be over 1,500 square feet. He then explained that Mr. Wood has the other restrictions and covenants for this because they needed to have them before approving it at the plan commission.

Mr. Nash stated that the city engineer is not present today so he would recommend taking this under advisement because he would prefer that Mr. Summers review it before the board approves it.

Mr. Brinkworth stated that Mr. Summers was in on the approval at the plan commission but he hasn't seen the final plat.

Fire Marshal Koehler stated that he hasn't been contacted on any of it either so no hydrants have been spotted.

Mr. Brinkworth stated that he would get him a set because the hydrants are on the plans.

Mr. Nash asked that Fire Marshal Koehler get with Mr. Summers to review the plat before next Tuesday.

Mr. Thompson moved to take it under advisement until the next meeting, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Darrell Rogers, Maxim, stated that they need to close Hauss Square between Spring Street and Market Street on Saturday, January 9th for about an eight hour period beginning at 8:00 a.m. He explained that they need to bring in a crane to put material and piping on the Federal Building and should be done by 1:00 p.m. but wanted to request eight hours just to be safe.

Police Chief Bailey stated that he doesn't see a problem and asked who he had interacted with at the Federal Building regarding their facility management.

Mr. Rogers stated that he is actually working for Bright Sheet Metal and they have all of their paperwork in place at the federal courthouse. He added that they will not be in the courthouse at all, they will just be in the street.

Police Chief Bailey asked if he is just with the crane company.

Mr. Rogers replied yes.

Mr. Thompson stated that this is a project that they have been working on and put it off until after the holidays and doing it on a Saturday so that it will be less problem with both buildings being closed.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the closure of Hauss Square from Spring Street to Market Street on Saturday, January 9th, up to eight hours beginning at 8:00 a.m., Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Street light at 2030 Ekin Avenue

Mr. Thompson stated that the residence does have a porch light that wasn't on so it is dark but there is a street light within 100 feet of it so it wouldn't warrant another light.

Mr. Thompson motioned to deny the street light request, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS:

1. John Rosenbarger re: LPA Consulting Contract with United Consulting

Mr. Rosenbarger explained that this is for the State Street right-of-way phase and there are 14 parcels to acquire at various intersections where signals are. He stated they are all commercial and are corner cuts in the right-of-ways for the detectors and loops to go in. He said that one of the bigger intersections is at the Home Depot and Wesley Commons intersection. He also said that since it is federal aid, it is a pretty in depth analysis and the contract is for \$85,905.00. He hopes to have it done by the end of this year so we will finally be able to build and make the improvements to the signal systems there.

Mr. Nash asked why there is a need for right-of-ways for signals.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated for things like control boxes or where we are building new systems we need a place for posts to go in and to accommodate for ADA compliant ramps.

Mr. Nash asked if there are boxes there now.

Mr. Rosenbarger replied that some of the signal boxes are in the right-of-way now and some of them aren't. He gave the example of the Home Depot intersection and stated that box is not even in the right-of-way so we can't do the project until it is.

Mr. Nash asked if he is saying that it is on their property.

Mr. Rosenbarger replied that is correct. He said that the detection loops are not in the right-of-way and they have to be in order to construct the project.

Mr. Nash asked if this is a year away.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that we could get to the construction in the fall but it really depends on how this right-of-way phase goes.

Mr. Thompson stated that because of the redesign, we discovered there was going to be some right-of-way that would need to be acquired.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that it was a surprise to us and once all of the survey work was in and the design was done, we had a meeting with the design engineers to see if we could fit everything into the existing right-of-way and these were the ones that wouldn't fit. He added that there were many more but they whittled it down and eliminated at least a half dozen parcels.

Mr. Nash asked if there is anything that we can do about traffic in the meantime in particularly northbound on State Street.

Mr. Rosenbarger replied that we could meet again with INDOT because the main problem is the interchange access at I265. He said that they have checked the timing and he thinks he will ask them to recheck it.

Mr. Thompson stated that we actually allowed them access to the next signal up which is ours to try to time it a little better with what their system is.

Mr. Nash stated that it seems to him there is not enough wait time on the interstate compared to what the wait time is on State Street. He said a turning lane only onto the interstate was discussed because the people going westbound on I265 are in the right lane and the people going eastbound on I265 have to wait and the traffic backs up because there are people going up the hill.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that they had a meeting with the regional director at Seymour about that and he hasn't heard back from him yet.

Mr. Nash stated that he doesn't think we can wait a year with this contract to solve some of those problems. He then asked Mr. Rosenbarger to remind him of where the signal modernization starts and stops.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that it goes from Main Street out to I265 so it includes all of the signals on State Street. He also stated that we are looking at coordination timing for the whole corridor to have a signal system that interconnects with all of the signals to make passage a lot smoother.

Mr. Nash asked what the status is of the overall contract.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that we are in final design and now we need the right-of-way in order to have INDOT let the project. He added that any right-of-way phase will take six months to one year.

Mr. Nash asked if that is all that is holding up letting the contract.

Mr. Rosenbarger said there are final plans that need to be put to ink but he doesn't see any hold up there and this is the thing that will determine the ultimate construction schedule.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the land acquisition services for the State Street signal project, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

2. John Rosenbarger re: KIPDA Crash Study

Mr. Rosenbarger passed copies of a map for the board to review and stated that KIPDA is doing a crash study and there is a meeting scheduled for next Monday, January 11th to go through the data that backs up the map. He said that they are showing the top 20 crash segments in southern Indiana and we have several in New Albany. He explained that the no. 2 spot is on Spring Street as you enter the city. He said that we have that HSIP federal aid project that is in final design to rectify some of those issues. He said that the final plans will be before the board in the next couple of meetings. He explained that the data is based on information between 2009 and 2011. He said that we are going to reconstruct Bono Road. He also said that the project he just discussed will improve the Captain Frank intersection on State Street. He explained that he wanted to bring this to the board's attention to let them know that he is working on projects that are impacting or will impact these segments.

Mr. Nash asked when he will have the plans for the board.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that he will bring them in the next couple of weeks. He added that he should have some information from the January 11th meeting at that time as well.

Mr. Nash asked if there is any reason for any of the board members to attend that meeting.

Mr. Rosenbarger stated that the members are invited if they are interested. He then mentioned that another project he has is a comprehensive analysis of safety of the thoroughfare system for the entire city.

Mr. Nash asked if at a future meeting Mr. Rosenbarger could go over all of the contracts that we have out or studies that we have going on.

Mr. Rosenbarger replied yes.

3. David Hall re: Adoptions

Mr. Hall reported that they have no adoptable cats and dogs at the shelter right now because of their big campaign to get adoptable animals into homes over the latter part of the year and the spay-neuter efforts that they have with the rescue league. He said he is very proud to be one of the few southern Indiana municipal shelters that have this problem at the current time. He also said that they do have some strays but this gives them the opportunity to do some deep cleaning and things like that which would normally be done in the spring time.

Mr. Nash asked if zero is their goal.

Mr. Hall stated that a zero would be in intake and going out is fantastic and is a goal that very few shelters are able to achieve. He explained that in today's day and age of a "no kill" situation, it's an extremely beautiful situation to be in because it means that we are adopting a lot of animals in our community. He also explained that the animals that we adopt out are pretty much of quality and people are coming to us because of the vetting process and the things we do in order to get healthy, adoptable animals into new homes.

APPOINTMENTS:

BIDS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the following claims for the period of December 22, 2015 to January 4, 2016:

General Claims (Bank 1):	108,939.25	
Fire Department:	22,740.17	
Police Department:	3,861.70	
Street Department:	3,824.89	
Parks Department:	9,983.66	
	Total From Above:	149,349.67
Redevelopment:	269,290.51	
(Banks-G,T,6,111B)		
Medical/Drug Fund:	52,961.00	
(Bank L)		
Payroll Claims:	1,070,132.00	
(Bank 2)		
Sanitation Fund:	-	
Thursday Utility Claims:	1,021,203.65	
	Total From Above:	2,413,587.16
	Grand Total:	2,562,936.83

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 December 29, 2015 as corrected, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Warren Nash, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk