

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WAS HELD VIA ZOOM.COM ON TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021 AT 10:00 A.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Juliet, Fire Marshal Koehler, Police Chief Bailey, Linda Moeller, Bryan Slade, Krystina Jarboe, Larry Summers, Jessica Campbell, Chris Gardner, Joe Ham, Sidney Main, Sean Payne, Jennie Collier, David Hall and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

Mr. Nash stated that they opened bids last week for the 2021 Paving Program and asked Mr. Thompson to report on that.

Mr. Thompson stated that Mr. Christmas is on the meeting and he reviewed the bids as well as our legal department so he asked him to speak.

Mr. Christmas stated that last week they received five bids for the 2021 Paving Program and those bids ranged in price from \$2.68M to \$3.2M and the apparent low bid was MAC Construction & Excavating. He said that they reviewed their bid and found it to be responsive and responsible so therefore, he would recommend that the board award the 2021 Paving Program to MAC Construction & Excavating for the bid amount of \$2,683,067.23. He stated that he will submit a formal written recommendation to the board subsequent to the meeting for their records.

Mr. Nash stated that he was taken by the closeness of the bids and felt that they received good bids and asked Mr. Christmas if he agrees.

Mr. Christmas stated that he would definitely agree with that. He said that they were really quite tight this year and he would say that the pricing they received was pretty aggressive and he was pleasantly surprised with the pricing they received. He added that they came in well under their estimate.

Mr. Thompson stated that he thinks part of that is due to our bid specs because they keep tweaking them to make sure that they account for a lot of the things that come up. He said that each year they get with the consultant and they incorporate that in there, so he thinks that is going a long way to making that a better process and getting a firm bid that deals with just about everything.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve and accept the bid from Mac Construction & Excavating for the 2021 Paving Program in the amount of \$2,683,067.23, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Christmas stated that at a previous meeting, Mac Construction did request a temporary lane closure/shift on Rainbow Drive where they needed to do some testing work. He said that they indicated this morning that they were going to be out there at about 10:00 a.m. this morning so he just wanted to let the board know. He said that it was previously approved by the board but today is the day that they finally got it scheduled. He also said that it shouldn't take long and they will just flag cars around while they do the testing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Renaissance Design Build re: Installation of handicapped ramp at 207-209 E. Market Street for Earth Art

Mr. Thompson stated that he did not get something set up with the city engineer, Renaissance Design and the property owner so he asked if this item could be kept on the agenda.

Mr. Nash asked Mrs. Glotzbach to keep this item under Unfinished Business.

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Jennie Collier re: Stop sign request at Hildreth and Jackson St.

Mr. Summers stated that yesterday he had a chance to speak with Mrs. Collier about this particular location. He said that after speaking with her, it looked like the conditions that existed in the field based on the Hildreth and Jackson layout and the concerns that were conveyed by the constituents out there, it would probably be a better situation to put a “Children at Play” sign rather than a “Stop” sign there. He requested that the board approve the installation of a “Children at Play” sign on Hildreth on either side of the Jackson intersection.

Mr. Nash asked Mrs. Collier if she wanted to say anything about that.

Mrs. Collier stated that she concurs with Mr. Summers and thinks that is a good place to start and see if that addresses the concerns of the constituents that reached out to her.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the “Children at Play” sign at the intersection of Hildreth and Jackson streets, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

2. Vicki Glotzbach re: Request to remove handicapped parking spot at 1731 E. Market Street

Mrs. Glotzbach stated that Mr. Steve King contacted her and said that he is refurbishing the property at 1733 E. Market Street and the house at 1731 E. Market Street has been torn down so he wanted to know if the handicapped parking spot could be removed.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the removal of the handicapped parking spot, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

3. Vicki Glotzbach re: Approval of Residential Parking Permit at 1305 E. Market Street

Mrs. Glotzbach stated that this has been approved by the right-of-way coordinator and it just needs to be approved by this board now.

Mr. Thompson stated that he reviewed the application and visited the site and there is a handicapped parking space there, but evidently the neighbors have handicapped license plates too so they were occupying the handicapped spot. He said that the resident has requested a residential parking permit space in place of the handicapped spot so that space would be reserved for her only. He also said that there is no off-street parking so she meets the qualifications for that request.

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

4. Krystina Jarboe re: Special Event Permits

Saturday, September 11th: Cardinal Ritter Birthplace Foundation Inc. – S Ellen Jones Neighborhood Festival

- Request NAPD & NAFD presence
- Request road closures:
 - E 13th St
 - E Oak St

- Request barricade be dropped at:
 - S Ellen Jones parking lot
 - E Oak & E 13th St
 - E Elm & E 13th St
 - Before the alleyway off of E 13th St (before Culbertson Ave)
 - Close off alleyway on both sides of E 13th St between E Elm & E Oak
- Request to place port-a-potties in the alley on the day of the event at 13th St & E Oak
 - Port-a-potties will be stored at Cardinal Ritter House at all other times

Mr. Nash asked if they are having inflatables.

Ms. Jarboe said she believes so.

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

5. Mickey Thompson re: Dumpster request for 620 E. 9th Street

Mr. Thompson stated that this for a house that is being remodeled and it doesn't have access from the back of the property and the front yard isn't big enough for them to put the dumpster in and he was concerned about damaging the sidewalk if they tried. He said that it is on E. 9th between Culbertson Avenue and Oak Street which is very narrow, so he is going to see if he can get a smaller dumpster than the typical 30 yd. roll off just to not take up so much room on the street. He said that if he is using the smaller dumpster, that will also mean that he may need a little longer. He stated that he told him that the board typically approves these for two weeks so he would have to come back and ask for an extension if he needs it longer.

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

6. Mickey Thompson re: Request to repair casting on manhole lid in front of 628 E. Daisy Lane

Mr. Thompson stated that this is a request from wastewater and it is to replace the manhole casting because it is making noise and a resident called to complain. He said that they plan to do it inhouse and handle traffic with flagging so it won't be a closure. He stated that they anticipate it taking a half day and they should be able to finish the work.

Mr. Nash asked if he knows when they are going to do it.

Mr. Thompson replied Thursday, May 13th.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the lane shift at 628 E. Daisy Lane on Thursday, May 13th, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

7. Mickey Thompson re: Request to do emergency sewer repair at 1739 E. Market Street

Mr. Thompson stated that wastewater will be contracting with Cristiani to make the repair and they are requesting a road closure. He said that he emailed the board members the map because he received it too late to get it to the clerk to put in the packet. He stated that they are requesting that E. Market Street be closed between 18th Street and Galt Street. He said that they will put a detour out and they anticipate getting the repair done in one day if they don't experience any problems and they are requesting to do it on Wednesday, May 12th.

Mr. Nash asked if it will affect any local residents.

Mr. Thompson replied yes, but they will handle local traffic and it will just be closed to thru traffic.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the closure of E. Market Street between 18th Street and Galt Street on Wednesday, May 12th, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

8. Larry Summers re: Sidewalk project for CDBG on E. Elm Street

Mr. Summers stated that the project is progressing pretty quickly and he thinks they have done a really good job so far of getting that sidewalk torn out and replaced.

Mr. Nash asked if that is east of Vincennes Street.

Mr. Summers replies yes and stated that they are going from Vincennes Street down to Silver Street on the south side and then they will work their way back on the north side starting at Silver Street and going towards Vincennes Street. He said that he believes right now they are near Thomas Street or maybe even a little bit farther, but they have been making really good progress so he is happy with that so far. He then stated that last Wednesday, May 5th, they did the final walk through for Slate Run Road and there were only a few items that he identified and they will be working to address those. He said that there are a couple of drainage issues and they went out there after a rain storm so it was easier to identify storm issues that need to be addressed, but everything else looked really good.

Mr. Nash asked him if he is still working on the speed limits.

Mr. Summers replied yes.

9. Warren Nash re: Speed bumps in alleyways

Mr. Nash stated that someone asked the board about speed bumps in alleyways and it is this board's policy not to do that. He asked if the rest of the members agreed.

Mr. Thompson stated that he concurs and said that if it is an alleyway then there are better ways to do it than speed bumps. He added that they try not to put them in the street as well.

Mr. Nash stated that he doesn't think they want that liability.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the following claims for the period from 4/20/21 to 05/10/21 in the amount of \$3,953,965.60:

General Claims (Bank 1): 1,378,504.28

Fire Department: 4,093.97

Police Department: 16,912.46

Street Department: 42,060.10

Parks Department: 13,209.71

Total From Above: 1,454,780.52

Medical/Drug Fund: 775.20

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Payroll Claims: 1,979,968.78

(Bank 2)

Sanitation Fund: -

Thursday Utility Claims: 518,441.10

Total From Above: 2,499,185.08

Grand Total: 3,953,965.60

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 May 4, 2021 as corrected, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

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

Warren V. Nash, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk