

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, JULY 11, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Deputy Fire Chief Gadd, Fire Marshal Koehler, Sandy Boofter, Bryan Slade, Robert Lee, Brandon Sailings, Sidney Main, Larry Summers, David Hall, Jessica Campbell, Police Chief Bailey, Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Greg Phipps, Tonya Fischer, Alicia Meredith, Christina Jarboe, John Rosenbarger, Courtney Lewis, Michael Hall, Brandy Becker and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Becky Cook re: Mail boxes on McDonald Lane

Not Present.

2. Terry Hubert with Clark Nickles re: Lane closure on Green Valley Road

Mr. Terry Hubert passed out a map showing the closure and reviewed it with the board. He explained that they want to close the right lane and detour traffic to the turning lane because they need to install a catch basin at the construction entrance.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if this work is being done for the school.

Mr. Hubert replied yes and stated that they would like to do the work on Thursday, July 13th and Friday, July 14th. He said that they will close only about three feet of the lane and it will be closed from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey suggested that they work from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and asked Mr. Hubert if those hours would be okay.

Mr. Hubert replied yes.

Mr. Nash asked if they will have markings and signage.

Mr. Hubert replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the lane closure and shift on Green Valley Road on July 13th and 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

3. Jim Silliman, JTL re: Request approval of the maintenance of traffic plan, closure and detour route for Bono Road Rehabilitation Phase 2 Project

Mr. Silliman handed out a map showing the proposed detour route for phase 2 of the Bono Road Rehabilitation Project from Graybrook Lane to E. Cottom Avenue on Bono Road. He said that he also provided the board with a printout of the maintenance of traffic specifications to be given to contractors for bidding. He said that the printout spells out two stages and explained that like phase 1, they will have to dig out the pavement and mix cement slurry into the subgrade and will

then need a minimum of 72 hours with absolutely no traffic on it to cure it. He stated that will be done in two stages which will be from Cardinal Drive to E. Cottom Avenue for phase 1 and from Graybrook Lane to Cardinal Drive for phase 2.

Mr. Nash asked about the people living between Cardinal Drive and E. Cottom Avenue.

Mr. Silliman said that there is plenty of parking at the New Albany Housing Authority and they are setting up some of the side streets on the other side of Bono Road as two-way during the project. He stated that there will also be access through the housing authority so for those three days they will communicate with the residents that they will have to park elsewhere.

Mr. Summers stated that they will allow parking on both sides of Bono Road while they are working on the other section so that residents won't have to walk too far to get to their place.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if the residents are receiving something in writing.

Mr. Silliman replied that he did put in the specifications that when those two stages are to happen, the contractor will have to notify them with either "door hangers" or knock on their doors and notify them in person.

Mr. Summers stated that they are working with the housing authority to put something in their newsletter for distribution as well.

Mr. Silliman stated that he will give the standard one week notice to the board before any closures actually happen. He also stated that the bids for this project will be opened on Tuesday, July 18th so he doesn't have a schedule for those closures at this time. He said that it is noted in specks that at Graybrook Lane and Bono Road, they don't want to have a full closure for 72 hours so they are actually going to treat the subgrade with stone and geogrid differently so they can at least maintain access for traffic through that intersection. He stated that the project is going to be August through November.

Mr. Nash asked when the total completion date is.

Mr. Silliman replied the first of November.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if the residents on the side streets off Bono Road from E. Cottom Avenue to Graybrook Lane would be notified.

Mr. Silliman stated that they would include them.

Mr. Nash stated that there is one church that will be affected and asked if they will be notified.

Mr. Silliman replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if all of entities such as TARC, sanitation, recycling, etc. would be notified.

Mr. Silliman replied yes.

Mr. Nash asked if the fire and police are taking note of this.

Police Chief Bailey replied yes.

Deputy Fire Chief Gadd replied yes.

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

4. Roger Schneider re: Dumpster permit request at 521 E. 8th Street

Mr. Roger Schnieder stated that he has a property that he has to clean out at 521 E. 8th Street. He said he had tenants in it and had to evict them and is now waiting on the Sherriff to put them out which will take about eight days.

Mr. Nash asked if there is any space on his property for the dumpster.

Mr. Schneider replied no.

Mr. Nash asked how long he would like to have it there.

Mr. Schneider stated that the sheriff's department is going to put them out on the 18th so he was hoping to get in and start doing part of it on the 14th and then have it out by the 21st. He added that his hands are tied until the sheriff's department shows up.

Mr. Thompson suggested approving it for two weeks just in case there is a delay with the Sherriff.

Mr. Nash asked if he will get it out as quick as he can if the board permits it for two weeks.

Mr. Schneider replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that reflective tape needs to be put on the dumpster.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the dumpster permit for the period of July 14th through July 28th, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Ms. Amberia Owens, Prince of Peace Missionary Baptist Church, stated that her church is having vacation bible school on Friday, July 21st and they would like to close off the Olive Street side of the church for three hours.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked what the times are.

Ms. Owens replied from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Nash asked if they will need signs or barricades.

Ms. Owens replied that they would need barricades.

Mr. Nash asked Mr. Thompson if he would take care of that.

Mr. Thompson replied yes.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the closure of the Olive Street side of the church on Friday, July 21st from 5:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Curt Peterson, 522 E. Market Street, passed out a report on potential increased annual cost of insurance on personal vehicles with indicated monthly premium increase due to changing downtown area streets to two-way streets which will increase accidents. He said that the Speck Report was based pretty much on what might happen to New Albany with the toll bridges and that we would have an influx of traffic which he doesn't feel has been that bad. He then stated that the report shows what would happen when there are 311,000 cars in the seven county area.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked where the report information came from.

Mr. Peterson replied DataUSA.io. He then stated that they are very big on bicycles in the Speck Report and Indiana law says that a bicycle is entitled to a traffic lane even if there is a dedicated bike lane so he is concerned because Mr. Phipps told him that people are not supposed to bike on the sidewalks which he generally does because it is a little scary to bike out on the street. He

also stated that there are three people on battery powered wheelchairs that come down his street every day and they go onto the street. He asked if they are a considered a vehicle or a wheelchair.

Police Chief Bailey stated that by statute they are not a means of conveyance, they are a mobility device so they should be on the sidewalks.

Mr. Peterson stated that he asked one of them why he wasn't on the sidewalk and he replied because the red paths are like rumble strips so if they have pain or incontinence problems, a rumble strip would not be good. He also stated that he thinks we need some education on bicycle behavior and that a bicycle is a vehicle and entitled to a traffic lane.

Mr. Nash agreed.

Mr. Ben Shireman, Shireman Construction, stated that they would like to get an extension on the closure of the sidewalk and parking lane on Market Street from Scribner Drive to Hauss Square to finish up the roofing project.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that he told the board that the project would only need three weeks.

Mr. Shireman stated that is correct but it rained on them so they missed some days. He said they are a little over half done now and are trying to utilize the evening hours the best they can but would like to request an extension to finish the project.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked how long they will need.

Mr. Shireman replied that he would like to have three more weeks but hopes it will not take that long.

Mr. Thompson stated that they discussed the covering on the fence at the corner at Hauss Square and Market Street and asked if they are changing that and moving it back.

Mr. Shireman replied no and explained that if the board thinks that they need to move it back and work on it some more, they would be more than happy to.

Mr. Thompson stated that he would like to see the cover come off of the fence because it may help the visibility problem there.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey explained that a lot of people that work in this building have to cross that street for parking and it is hard to see around the corner.

Mr. Shireman asked if they need to slide the fence in a few more feet.

Mr. Thompson stated that he doesn't know if they need to do that or just take the covering off of the fence.

Mr. Shireman stated that they would take care of taking the covering down.

Mr. Nash stated that everything was set up to begin with without approval from the board and you said it would take three weeks and now you are back saying it will take three more weeks. He asked if he thinks that is realistic whether it rains or not.

Mr. Shireman stated that in the last few weeks they have had several rain days and they are over half way finished so he thinks so but he can't predict the weather.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if they are going to block anything on Hauss Square.

Mr. Shireman explained that at night they would like to access the building through the side yard so they would like to block off one parking spot there for about the next week.

Mr. Thompson asked if that is where they put the runners down.

Mr. Shireman replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if they need to block that spot off only after 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Shireman stated that is when they will actually be using it.

Mr. Nash asked if he could keep the board posted on how things are going and if they are going to need any further extensions.

Mr. Shireman replied yes and stated that he has been in contact with Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Nash asked that he not wait until the last minute again to come in.

Mr. Shireman replied that he wouldn't.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the extension of the closure of sidewalk and parking lane on Market Street as well as a parking spot on Hauss Square until August 1st, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Paul Lincks, HWC Engineering, reported that decorative thermal plastic installation at crosswalks has begun on Spring Street this week. He explained that they began yesterday at Spring Street and Bank Street and have required some short-term closures to get it laid out and installed. He said that they are working between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and will progress from Spring Street and Bank Street to Spring Street and Pearl Street. He stated that there is still signal work going on at Spring Street, Market Street and Elm Street. He explained that ground mounted sign installation is pretty much complete on Spring Street with a majority of it done on Market Street and they will then move over to Elm Street. He said that they are going to begin installing pavement markings on Elm Street.

Mr. Nash asked what is going on Market Street.

Mr. Lincks stated that the layout has been done for pavement markings so they will begin grooving for the longitude lines and installing the markings.

Mr. Peterson stated that the parking spots are too close to fire hydrants on Market Street.

Mr. Lincks stated that he will check into that.

Ms. Paige Thomas, O'Mara, stated that there is a service leak at 2401 Shrader Avenue but the leak is actually on Indiana Avenue and will require a 4'X5' sidewalk cut there. She said that there is a service retirement at 1919 State Street that will require a 6'X8' sidewalk cut.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the above sidewalk cuts on Indiana Avenue (for 2401 Shrader Avenue) and on State Street, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Justin Ramirez, McDonald Lane Field Office, stated that things are going smoothly and they have all of the base and intermediate mix down on the road now and this has increased traffic and the speed of the traffic through there so they have had several complaints from residents. He explained that all required barricades are still up and 90% of driveways have been poured so there are only about four or five left. He said that they are waiting on the railroad utilities to do a couple of relocations there and they have had a little trouble getting them to do those so he is reaching out to them after the meeting to once again try to urge them. He also said that the contractor is prepping most areas for sod that will be coming soon and they are forecasting to place surface from Charlestown Road to Grant Line Road in the first week in August.

Mr. Nash asked what the final completion date is.

Mr. Ramirez stated that they are still trying to hit the intermediate completion date by August 15th.

Mr. Nash asked what he means by intermediate completion.

Mr. Ramirez explained that they are supposed to have substantial completion by August 15th and pretty much have it open to local traffic and completely free running but they may have to go back and do touch up work as well as complete the paperwork on the backside of things.

Mr. Nash asked about the signal work.

Mr. Ramirez explained that Charlestown Road signals are up and there is a little more signal work to be done on Grant Line Road.

Mr. Summers stated that the pedestrian signal at Charlestown Road will also be tweaked.

Mr. Thompson stated that CSX is doing some work for us at another location and he talked to one of the contractors for them and he is supposed to check on the schedule for McDonald Lane to see if it is something that they expect him to do or if another crew is coming in. He said that he may have more information for Mr. Ramirez when the contractor gets back with him.

Mr. Wes Christmas, Clark Dietz, stated that they had a relatively light week last week as well as this week. He said that last week they did finish up some patching on Green Valley Road from Daisy Lane up towards I-265 and that is basically being done in preparation for additional work.

Mr. Nash asked who is doing that work because he received complaints on the traffic controls on it and asked if they can do a better job.

Mr. Christmas stated that MAC Construction is doing the work and they have probably been doing spot closures.

Mr. Thompson stated that they were using flag pros and he went out to talk to them and asked that they be a little more cognizant. He said they weren't allowing for the traffic signal and were flagging and it wasn't working out very well.

Mr. Christmas stated that they probably shouldn't have been out there on Friday during rush hour.

Mr. Nash asked if patching work is done prior to repaving.

Mr. Christmas replied some roads are being resurfaced and some roads are having rejuvenator applied to the surface. He added that it just depends on the condition of the road.

Mr. Nash asked if rejuvenating is simply filling in the cracks.

Mr. Christmas stated that there will be crack sealing and a full width sealant on an entire roadway surface such as when a parking lot is sealed.

Mr. Nash asked if there is a rule of thumb as far as how much more life you can get out of a road if you do that.

Mr. Christmas stated that it is not a long-term fix and could prolong the life of the road about five years but it really depends on the condition of the roadway and if it is suitable for an application of rejuvenation.

Mr. Nash stated that the county did Charlestown Road from the city limits to County-Line Road and asked if that will last five years.

Mr. Summers stated that they crack sealed only out there.

Mr. Christmas explained that crack sealing is where they go out and basically seal up the crack with asphalt emulsion to prevent water from getting into the pavement section and prolong its life. He added that there is a shift in general across the state with a lot more effort being put into these maintenance activities that are obviously less costly than the full mill and fill or reconstructions.

Mr. Nash asked how long a road should last after it is milled and repaved.

Mr. Christmas replied that it really depends on what is underneath it and on the drainage.

Mr. Nash asked if we will get 10 years out of Spring Street, Market Street and Elm Street.

Mr. Christmas stated that he is being asked what is underneath those streets and he doesn't know and doesn't think that anyone knows. He explained that their intent is to identify areas where it is obvious that there is a base problem or a drainage issue which is why they do the full depth patching. He is not saying that they are catching every one because there is no way to know that but they are trying to get every one that they can see so they can get 10-15 year life out of it.

Mr. Summers stated that if we were to reconstruct roads fully then we could probably only afford one road each year.

Mr. Nash asked about McDonald Lane and Bono Road.

Mr. Summers stated that federal funds were used and they were full reconstructions.

Mr. Christmas stated that since they were reconstructions, you should get the full life expectancy out of those which is up to 20 years depending on the traffic volume, etc.

Mr. Nash asked if he would guarantee that.

Mr. Christmas replied no and wished him luck on finding someone that would. He then stated that right now they are going back and doing adjustments on manholes and valve boxes in the areas that have been paved particularly in the downtown grid. He said that some of those still haven't been corrected because they found some where the cross slope of the road differed from the actual slope of the structure so they are trying to get some special casting so they can adjust those to match the slope of the road with the structure. He said that they are aware of the ones that haven't been corrected and will correct those soon. He added that they have changed several of them out in the last two days. He then stated that they are going through some of those that have a bump in them because the actual lid is thinner than the lip of the frame so it sits down in the frame. He said they are inventorying those and ordering frames that actually fit.

Mr. Nash asked about annual paving and stated that school is starting soon asked if they are being mindful of that in school areas.

Mr. Christmas stated that Vincennes Street was completed.

Mr. Nash asked if all of the markings will be installed before school begins.

Mr. Christmas replied that they have started on them at the south end at Main Street and anticipate to get the markings up to Spring Street today but were being pulled off of Vincennes Street for a couple of days. He said they should definitely be done before school starts but will remind them of that. He stated that on Monday they will do the last segment of the grid paving which is State Street from Main Street to Oak Street. He said they will mill it on Monday, start paving on Tuesday and should be finished on Wednesday if all goes well and the weather cooperates. He said that on Monday they will also start patching a portion of Charlestown Road from Vincennes Street to Hedden Court similar to what they did on Green Valley Road.

Mr. Nash asked again about the annual paving.

Mr. Christmas explained that they are working on patching before they jump back in with the mill and fill operations or rejuvenator.

Mr. Nash stated that he was hopeful that they would be further along on the annual paving before school starts.

Mr. Christmas explained that the main one he wanted them to get done they will get done which is Vincennes Street.

Mr. Thompson added that the paving they are doing this is on major arterials.

Mr. Christmas stated that they wanted to get the patching done first and even though they haven't gotten into a lot of paving for the annual contract, they are still anticipating wrapping up pretty much the entire list by the end of August.

Mr. Jim Silliman, JTL, stated that the work on the Daisy Lane extension project is focusing on the large retaining walls. He also stated that the State Street ramp to east I-265 was opened a couple of weeks ago and is operating. He said that the storm sewer construction that was postponed on the west side of State Street is still pending.

Mr. Nash asked how the lane onto I-265 is working.

Mr. Summers replied that it is working well and said that the workers out there were telling him that people were really hesitant to get on it at first but are now using it.

Mr. Nash stated that there have been some cones there and believes that one is still there.

Mr. Summers stated that as part of the project there is a signal pole that is going to be moved and once the pole is moved, they are going to continue that lane and wrap it over towards Daisy Lane. He said that since that pole has not been moved, the cone is there just to protect someone from going off the road.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Speed limit sign on Kenzig Road

Mr. Thompson stated that he hasn't had a chance to review this item yet.

2. Special Event Permits for La Leche League of Southern Indiana and Carnegie Center for Art & History

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

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Courtney Lewis re: Special Event Permit for Develop New Albany

Ms. Lewis stated that they would like to use city square on Saturday, August 12th for the after party for their taco walk event. She said they have spoken with Ms. Susan Kaempfer and plan to set up after the farmer's market clears out at about 1:30 p.m. She stated that the event will be from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with cleanup done by 9:00 p.m. She then went over the drawing that was provided to board and explained the fenced off areas. She said that they will name the city as additional insured on their insurance.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that the inflatables option was not marked and asked if there will be one.

Ms. Lewis replied yes. She then reminded the board that the permit has been changed to include any event that will close down a street so anytime someone wants to do that anywhere in the city, they need to go through her office and follow the permit process. She added that it used to only include events at Bicentennial Park, the amphitheater or city square.

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

2. Michael Hall re: Lane closure and road closure on Water Street for Riverstage Productions

Mr. Hall explained that Riverstage Productions is getting ready for their upcoming shows of “School of Rock” and “Footloose” at the amphitheater. He said that they are asking to put a trailer directly behind the stage on Water Street so the westbound lane would be closed just right behind the stage. He added that they would like to drop it on Friday and their shows are the next Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday so they will have it out that following Monday.

Mr. Nash asked if it will block the boat ramp.

Mr. Hall replied no and stated that they are also asking to close the road right behind the stage for the safety of all the participants from 6:00 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on the evenings of the shows.

Mr. Thompson asked if that closure will affect the boat ramp.

Mr. Hall replied no.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the lane closure on Water Street behind the amphitheater stage and complete road closure at the same location during the shows, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

3. Larry Summers re: Stop sign at Vincennes Street and Main Street

Mr. Summers explained that as part of the paving of Vincennes Street from Market Street to Main Street, they have adjusted the lane configuration to move traffic so that it is no longer driving directly over the railroad tracks. He stated that once the lanes were realigned, we incorporated a stop at that location because all of the other legs of that intersection have to stop. He then requested approval from the board for a stop at that location.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve a stop at Vincennes Street and Main Street in the southbound lane, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

4. Larry Summers re: Installation of “No Trucks” sign on Providence Way Ramp

Mr. Summers stated that there have been some issues with larger vehicles going down the Providence Way ramp and driving over the curb and knocking over some of the trees so he would like to sign the ramp as a “No Trucks” area and will need this board’s approval for that. He also stated that he would like to install some bollards in that area in the future to discourage someone from mounting the curb.

Mr. Nash stated that he understands that is a bus route and asked if he has contacted TARC to possibly change their route.

Mr. Summers stated that he was going to call them to see if these modifications affected them in any way and if they do, he will encourage them to find a different route.

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

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Boofter presented the following claims for the period of 06/20/17 to 07/10/17 in the amount of \$3,844,301.21:

General Claims (Bank 1):	145,375.01	
Fire Department:	18,338.72	
Police Department:	4,608.51	
Street Department:	4,086.73	
Parks Department:	41,707.08	
	Total From Above:	214,116.05
Medical/Drug Fund:	1,748.07	
(Bank L)		
Payroll Claims:	2,089,480.55	
(Bank 2)		
Sanitation Fund:	91,080.00	
Thursday Utility Claims:	1,447,876.54	
	Total From Above:	3,630,185.16
	Grand Total:	3,844,301.21

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 July 5, 2017, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Warren V. Nash, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk