

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, AUGUST 8, 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, Linda Moeller, Bryan Slade, Robert Lee, Chris Gardner, Sidney Main, Larry Summers, David Hall, Jessica Campbell, Police Chief Bailey, Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Tonya Fischer, Alicia Meredith, Mr. Brewer, Courtney Lewis, Greg Phipps and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Derek Misch, Dan Christiani, passed out maps for closures and traffic control plans and reviewed them with the board. He requested an alternating lane closure on Pearl Street between Graybrook Lane and Union Street on August 16th and 17th from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and a closure on the eastbound lane of Dewey Street in the intersection of E. 16th Street 08-14-17-08-18-17 from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Thompson asked if he can adjust the time on the closure near the school so that it doesn't interfere with dropping kids off. He suggested that Mr. Misch contact the school so he can determine a more suitable start time.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the lane closures and traffic control plans, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

Greg Phipps, 3rd District Councilman, stated that he was using the crosswalk at West 1st and Main Street on Saturday evening and there was a vehicle about midway through West 1st and State, but they figured they had enough time to get across particularly with the flashing yellow light. He explained that they then realized that the car wasn't going to stop so they had to pick up their speed to make it safely across the street and while they were eating dinner they witnessed the same thing happen to other pedestrians. He stated that while he is glad that the lights are there he is worried that without education and additional notification, it will give pedestrians a false sense of security. He added that Mr. Barksdale mentioned that the lights don't flash for a very long period of time once the crosswalk button is pushed so maybe that could be extended. He suggested possibly adding rubber cones in the street like they have at the high school during school hours for the first 6 months or even a sign suspended on a wire to indicate that vehicles should yield to pedestrians. He stated that if they need some money for that project he is sure he could help them out through the council.

Mr. Summers stated that they have already instructed the contractor to adjust the time at that particular crossing and once they do it should provide ample time. He added that he thinks that as far as the actual crossings, there just needs to be an educational component of that.

Mr. Thompson stated that they have talked internally about some type of informational piece.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if there is a sign currently at the location that says yield or stop.

Mr. Phipps stated that there is a sign over to the side. He explained that when he was in Savannah the signs read “Yield Pedestrians State Law” and when they were in New Orleans they watched the police ticket drivers that weren’t yielding to pedestrians. He stated that he doesn’t know that they need to go that far but a lot of communities take this seriously for the safety of the pedestrians.

Mr. Nash asked when the timing change would be made.

Mr. Christmas stated that it should be done this week.

Mr. Nash stated that after that is done he thinks there needs to be further evaluation.

John Kettler, Pekin Road, stated that he has rental property at 1310 Indiana Avenue and people keep dumping trash on the back of the lot which makes it hard for him to upkeep. He requested a “No Dumping” sign be installed and added that the city has had to remove tree trimmings twice and he has had old furniture dumped there as well.

Mr. Nash asked if he has any idea where it is coming from.

Mr. Kettler stated that he believes the furniture is coming from the apartments behind the property

Mr. Thompson stated that he would go look at the location and see if there is a place that the city could install a sign. He suggested that Mr. Kettler put a sign on his actual property as well as possibly installing a camera that could help the police catch the individuals that are doing it.

Sonny Dickerson, HWC Engineering, stated that this week they are finishing up the loops for the new signals and the decorative crosswalks should be done by the end of the week or early next week. He explained that they started on all the overhead street signs today and that should take about 5-6 days.

Mr. Thompson asked if they covered the “cross-street traffic does not stop” sign

Mr. Dickerson stated that he thinks they have taken all of them down.

Wes Christmas, Clark-Dietz, stated that yesterday MAC milled the northbound lanes on State Street to Green Valley Road and today the subcontractor is installing the signal loops in the milled surface and hopefully they will hit the loops at State and Main after that. He explained that once the loops are done they plan to come back and do any additional patching on that half of the road that needs to be done prior to surface being placed on Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Nash asked about pavement markings.

Mr. Christmas stated that he hasn’t heard confirmation yet but they did make the request at their last progress meeting that the striping subcontractor come in immediately after the paving is done. He explained that in addition to the work on State Street a separate crew is doing patching work on East Main Street from 5th-15th which started on Friday. He stated that they are flagging traffic and will continue to do so until the work is finished.

Brandon Frazier, Jacobi, Toombs & Lanz, updated the board on the Bono Road and Daisy Lane project. He stated that they have a pre-construction meeting with Flynn Brothers and the project is scheduled to begin construction on August 21. He explained that they are coordinating with the paving that is going on at State Street as well as coordinating with Derek Misch and IN-AWC regarding water main installation. He added that the detour route that was previously approved will not change. He stated that construction on Bono Road is scheduled to take about 90 days and is expected to be done before Thanksgiving.

Mr. Nash asked about the Daisy Lane Extension Project.

Mr. Frazier stated that retaining walls 1-4 have been constructed and a 5 is currently being constructed with 6 to follow immediately after. He explained that the construction schedule is being controlled by the construction of these walls and in the meantime they are working on storm sewer installation. He added that they are still on schedule to finish October 27.

Roger Baylor stated that it would help to have more trash containers in the grid project area neighborhoods as well as in the downtown area.

Brian Fleck, Lochmueller Group, stated that the surface paving was completed on McDonald Lane yesterday and they have striping scheduled for next Tuesday. He explained that the electrical contractor is coming in next week to install loops for the signals at Grant Line and Charlestown Road as well as the roadway signage. He stated that Milestone is working on punch list items as well as the railroad area today to get it prepped to finish up sidewalks.

Mr. Nash asked for a projected final completion date.

Mr. Fleck explained that the intermediate completion date is August 22 and after that there will be punch list items and he would expect that to go through the month of September.

Mr. Summers stated that anyone that has driven the road can tell the final product is really nice.

Mr. Nash stated that he knows it was a two year project but people still complain about how long it took.

Mr. Summers stated that to the lay person they doesn't understand a lot of the components of a roadway project such as the underground work with the utilities. He added that this was a project that they anticipated would take two years and it has come to fruition around that timeframe.

Mr. Nash asked if the mailbox issue has been settled.

Mr. Summers stated that they are working on a solution.

Dennis Rogers, 2598 W. Robin Road, stated that he had a combination retirement/birthday celebration and all of his friends that came from Louisville used their GPS systems and it took them to McDonald Lane but there were no signs. He stated that he knows this has been a long process but he thought when the sidewalk and first layer of pavement went in they would replace the signs.

Mr. Thompson stated that it is being taken care of and explained that the contractor that is doing the signal is also doing the signage.

Mr. Nash stated that he was told this would be finished next week.

OLD BUSINESS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

- 1. Vicki Glotzbach re: Request Handicap Sign be moved from 1402 Chartres Street to new address at 1319 Vance Avenue**

Ms. Glotzbach presented a handicap request to move a sign from 1402 Chartres Street to 1319 Vance Avenue and stated that it has been reviewed and approved by Officer Miller.

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

- 2. Linda Moeller re: Bank Reconciliation Worksheet for June 2017**

Mrs. Moeller requested that the Bank Reconciliation Worksheet for June 2017 be read into the minutes.

3. Mickey Thompson re: Parking issues at 604 East Spring Street

Mr. Thompson stated that Randy Smith asked that the install gravel there where the garbage trucks are going through but when he looked it up it shows that it is private property so he doesn't think the city can block it.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the following claims from the period of 07/25/17 to 08/07/17 in the amount of \$1,889,558.21:

General Claims (Bank 1):	622,243.39	
Fire Department:	6,805.59	
Police Department:	51,285.96	
Street Department:	2,066.93	
Parks Department:	26,567.30	
	Total From Above:	708,969.17
Medical/Drug Fund (Bank L):	1,185.25	
Payroll Claims (Bank 2):	1,137,247.35	
Sanitation Fund:	-	
Thursday Utility Claims:	42,156.44	
	Total From Above:	1,180,589.04
	Grand Total:	1,889,558.21

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for August 1, 2017 as corrected, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

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

Warren V. Nash, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk