

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, OCTOBER 16, 2018 AT 10:00 A.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Gardner, Sidney Main, Police Chief Bailey, Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Fire Chief Juliot, Fire Marshal Koehler, Linda Moeller, Tonya Fischer, John Rosenbarger, David Hall, Alicia Meredith, Claire Johnson, 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. Richard Hadley re: Installing new drive at 312 Highland Avenue

Mr. Hadley stated that he bought a corner lot on Highland Avenue and he would like to add another driveway. He said that he submitted a drawing for the board to review.

Mr. Thompson stated that he thought he was replacing the existing driveway so he asked that the board take it under advisement so he can look at it again.

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

2. Dave Poe with Habitat for Humanity re: Street Cut request for sewer tap at 210 Clay Street

Mr. Poe stated that they are building a house at 210 Clay Street and there is no sewer tap there so they need to do one and will have to cut into the street. He added that the sewer line runs down through the middle of the street.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked how big the cut will be.

Mr. Poe stated that it will probably be about 6' wide and about half of the street since the line is basically in the middle of the street.

Mr. Nash asked when they want to do it.

Mr. Poe said in about two weeks.

Mr. Thompson stated that is a one-way street so there will have to be some type of traffic maintenance since it will be in the middle of the street. He then asked if 210 is in the middle of the block.

Mr. Poe stated that is correct.

Mr. Thompson stated that there will have to be some type of arrangement made for the people who live on the other end since it is one-way.

Mr. Poe stated that he is hoping to have to cut only half of the street so traffic would be able to bypass them.

Mr. Thompson stated that he needs to meet with Mr. Poe and his contractor before they do the work to make sure that it will be safe for traffic to go around them.

Mr. Poe stated that they are going to have to do the same thing on Vine Street and that line is down the middle of the street as well.

Mr. Thompson asked if he will be using the same contractor for that too.

Mr. Poe replied yes.

Mr. Thompson stated that when he meets with them on Clay Street, they can go look at Vine Street as well

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the street cuts at 210 Clay Street and 1314 Vine Street subject to meeting with and approval from the right-of-way coordinator, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

3. Hannah Taylor: re Driveway issues at 1421 Vincennes Street

Mr. Thompson stated that he tried to look at this but there was no 1421 Vincennes Street.

Police Chief Bailey confirmed that there is no 1421 Vincennes Street.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Mike Overturf, Tesinc, introduced Mr. Ben Elliott and stated that they are both contractors for Verizon and they are looking to run aerial fiber throughout various routes in New Albany beginning approximately in June, 2019.

Mr. Elliott stated that is a tentative date and could possibly change.

Mr. Nash asked where they would be.

Mr. Overturf stated that they would in the right-of-way and they have submitted prints to Mr. Thompson and they believe he has driven the route.

Mr. Thompson stated that it will be around Blackiston Mill and out Charlestown Road and St. Joe Road. He said that it will all be aerial with the exception of one part that may have to be buried.

Mr. Elliott said that if Duke requires a lot to get on their poles, they may also ask for some underground to be inserted in various places.

Mr. Thompson stated that compared to some of the fiber installation the board has approved lately, this will cause minimal interruption and is in an area where there should be no problems with traffic with exception of the St. Joe Road area which may require some traffic management.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the overhead work with the stipulation that they come back before the board if the plans change, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Jeff Eastridge, C.C.E., Inc., passed out drawings for the board to review and stated that they were awarded a sanitary sewer project and will be working on 15th Street from the alley between Market Street and Main Street over to between the M. Fine Project and Earth First. He said they will be crossing Main Street hopefully on Thursday and Friday and will do only one lane at a time but will need to close a lane.

Mr. Nash asked if they can leave the parking lanes open.

Mr. Eastridge stated that the work will not involve any parking lanes but they are going to try to keep a lane open each way just for residents but they want to detour truck traffic, etc.

Mr. Summers stated that the sewer utility was running a camera through the line and there seems to be some sort of belly in the line or the pipe has broken and gone down to where the sewer is settling so this is a project to correct that issue. He said they are going to take care of some paving issues at that intersection as well so he recommended approval of the closure.

Mr. Nash asked if they are going to close lanes.

Mr. Eastridge replied yes and stated that they are going to close one lane at a time so that residents can get to their homes. He said that it will take Thursday and Friday to complete the project and then they will have to close it again to do the asphalt.

Mr. Thompson stated that 15th Street will be closed at Market Street except to local traffic.

Mr. Eastridge replied yes and stated that it will be closed from Market Street to Main Street now and then they will do the section going across Main Street and then move over to the section in front of M. Fine. He reviewed the map of the closures that he submitted to the board.

Mr. Nash asked if the detour will be marked at Vincennes Street.

Mr. Eastridge replied yes and stated that it will be marked at 13th Street as well. He added that the truck traffic will be detoured all the way to State Street but car traffic will be detoured to about 13th Street.

Mr. Thompson asked if they have notified schools that 15th Street in that area will be closed.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if they have notified TARC or Ecotech for trash.

Mr. Summers stated that TARC doesn't go through there anymore but they will have to notify trash pickup.

Mr. Nash asked Mr. Summers to notify the schools and Ecotech.

Mr. Summers said he will.

Mr. Eastridge asked if anyone knows what day the trash runs on in that area.

Mr. Thompson stated that he has a number for Mr. Jamie Hardin so he can find out after the meeting what day their trash is.

Mr. Eastridge stated that he will keep Mr. Thompson updated on the project and if they for some reason can't reach Main Street by Thursday and get it done then they will not start it until Monday.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the traffic plan for the sewer project at 15th Street and Main Street on Thursday and Friday of this week or Monday and Tuesday of next week, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Matt Hines, United Consulting, State Street Signal – he said that they profiled milled and resurfaced at Target so it is draining well now. He also said that they completed loops at Home Depot and Target. He stated that this week Duke will be at the intersections at Green Valley Road, Knable Lane and New Albany Plaza to activate signal service so there will be real quick lane shifts today at the southeast corner of Green Valley Road, the northeast corner of Knable Lane and the northeast corner of New Albany Plaza. He also stated that they will install remaining signage throughout the project and will finally get to those castings that need adjusting at the southeast corner of Green Valley Road by the pharmacy. He said that there are also two castings at Target at the northwest and southwest corners and those will require quick lane shifts as well. He also said that he hopes for permanent striping this week but if not, it will be next week with the final walkthrough shortly after and the project will be complete by October 31st.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the lane shifts for finishing work on the structure adjustments, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

Mr. Hines, Mt. Tabor – he stated that last week they removed two foundations for the sign posts they removed previously and installed three manholes and one inlet as well as about 180’ of drainage pipe connecting those structures. He said that this week they will remove the guardrail in front of the drill shaft area and will install a temporary barrier wall and the drill shaft will start the week of the 29th.

Mr. Jim Silliman, Jacobi, Toombs & Lanz, Oak Street Sidewalk – he stated that construction is ongoing and they have made it up to about 1803 so far and the project is progressing.

Mr. Nash asked if there were any trees involved in that project

Mr. Silliman replied yes and stated there were six or seven removed and a few more than that are being replaced. **Reas Lane, Phase 2** – he stated that the concrete sidewalk work is continuing but the asphalt base as well as the intermediate course has been put on the roadway so all they have left to do is put down the surface. **Grant Line Road** – he stated that the road closure started yesterday for the culvert that is being replaced just south of Grant Line Nursery and they are also working on replacing headwalls for a culvert just south of Navajo Drive.

Mr. Nash stated that the detour is not working so well because it is backing up on Monon Avenue. He said that people are trying to turn left onto Beechwood Avenue from Monon Avenue and that is causing the problem. He also said that he was out there around 3:30 p.m. yesterday and it was backed up almost to Grant Line Road but he was back out there around 8:00 p.m. and it was not backed up at all so it is just during certain times.

Mr. Thompson suggested maybe a four-way stop there.

Mr. Silliman stated that he sent a text message to his inspector regarding the problem so he will coordinate with her as well as coordinate with Mr. Thompson and Mr. Summers to see what can be done.

Mr. Summers stated that they will look at a couple of different options to see if they can get it resolved.

Mr. Nash stated that they talked about several options with one being a four-way stop at Beechwood Avenue and Monon Avenue but there could be sight problems there.

Mr. Nash asked how long that closure will be in effect.

Mr. Silliman replied it is for 15 days and will be closed until October 30th.

Mr. Nash asked why that is closed.

Mr. Silliman stated to repair a box culvert at Grant Line Nursery.

Ms. Sally Hughes, HWC Engineering, stated that they have been asked to conduct a speed study on Spring Street between Vincennes Street and State Street. She explained that they know speeds have slowed since the two-way conversion but they want to determine if there is still a problem and if so, where it is and to what extent. She said that they will be installing radar detection on existing speed limit signs in the next few weeks and they will measure traffic for traffic counts and speeds for two months. She said they will then report back to Mr. Summers with the data and give a recommendation as to whether additional signage, informational signage or lights need to be installed to help calm speeds there.

Mr. Summers stated that they are going to put temporary signs there similar to what are on McDonald Lane. He said those signs will allow them to gather information and see what the speeds are and how many cars are coming through there so they can have a better understanding of what is going on since the conversion. He also said that they have empirically seen that that

the speeds are down and traffic is flowing in a much safer manner but they want to get the data to back that up and see if there are any specific areas that need additional help.

Mr. Thompson asked if that is from Vincennes Street to State Street.

Ms. Hughes replied yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Mickey Thompson re: Clark-Dietz Update

Mr. Thompson stated that Clark-Dietz’s inspector couldn’t be at the meeting so he emailed him an update to report to the board. **2018 Paving** - he said that on Thursday, October 18th they plan to finish the patching and wedging on Vincennes Street and Hedden Park and then put the surface on both on Friday, October 19th. He stated that they have scheduling issues so either the week of October 22nd or October 28th, they plan on being on State Street to do the mill patch and pave. He said that they were also reminded to get their striping subcontractor in areas that have already been paved. **Basin 16, Division B** – he said that on Thursday they have a walk through with the city and the contractor so they will do a punch list so that project can be finished up. He said that on October 22nd they will be paving surface on Carlton Drive and Indiana Avenue as well as Silver Street. **Basin 16, Division A** - he said that the concrete work on the lift station side of Silver Street will be formed and placed and they will do restoration work that is on the punch list on that side of the project.

Mr. Nash asked when the painting on the bridge overpasses is supposed to begin.

Mr. Summers stated that they were supposed to mobilize yesterday.

Mr. Thompson stated that he didn’t see them out there yesterday so he will find out if there was a delay.

Mr. Nash asked if they got approval of final design.

Mr. Summers stated that he still needs to work out the details of the stencil but they do have the design worked out.

2. Fire Chief Juliot re: Boat ramp closure request

Fire Chief Juliot requested to close the boat ramp on Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. for their annual testing of their pumps.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the closure on Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., **Mr. Thompson** second, motion carries.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2018 with corrections, **Mr. Thompson** second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Warren V. Nash, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk