

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WILL BE HELD IN ROOM 100 AT NEW ALBANY CITY HALL ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2022 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Mickey Thompson, president and Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member. David Brewer, member, was not present.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Bailey, Fire Chief Juliot, Fire Marshal Mayfield, Brad Hicks, Larry Summers, Brad Fair, Phil Aldridge, Sidney Main, Tonya Fisher, David Hall, Krystina Jarboe, Jessica Campbell, Linda Moeller and Mindy Milburn

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Neil and Patty Smith explained that they have a food truck called Tender Vendor and they have been doing a collaboration with the wine shop on Thursday nights. He explained that up until now they have been allowed in parking lot to stage the food truck but they would like to be considered to be able to park the truck on the street on from 4:00-9:00 p.m. He stated that they will need two parking spaces on the street and provided photos of the food truck for the board to review. He added that they do have their Health Department inspection and the truck is new.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if this is a one-time request and what is the exact location they are looking to park at.

Mr. Smith stated that the address is 410 Pearl Street and that would like to do this every Thursday night. He added that they would like to possibly look at possibly doing a single Sunday night event.

Mr. Thompson stated that they would still have to come before this board any single/occasional request in order for those spaces to be reserved

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey explained that this board generally doesn't approve food trucks as they prioritize promoting utilization of the downtown businesses in existence and are hesitant to cause any undue competition. She asked when they would like to start.

Mr. Smith stated that they have already been doing this in Mr. Resch's parking lot so they would be ready to go immediately.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that as long as they are on private property they wouldn't need the board's approval and that would be the board's recommendation to continue using that space.

Mrs. Smith stated that she understand their position and they dealt with something very similar when they owned their other bring and mortar location. She explained that she looks around the downtown area and not a lot of people doing chicken fingers, which is one of their mainstays. She stated that they have a really good reputation, they would represent the city well, and added that they are looking for a new venture and believe they would add foot traffic to the city.

Mr. Thompson asked which two spaces they are asking to block and if it would be in front of the wine shop

Mrs. Smith stated that it would be in front of the wine shop.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to take this under advisement to do a site visit before any formal approval, Mr. Thompson second, motion carries.

Mr. Thompson stated that after they do the site visit they will get in contact with them regarding the next steps.

Ms. Cotner-Bailey asked if this was approved how long they would like to park there on Thursdays.

Mr. Smith stated that it would be ongoing but they are flexible

Mr. Thompson asked if they go to other locations the rest of the week.

Mr. Smith replied yes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Krystina Jarboe re: Request for lane closure on Thursday, December 1 (weather pending) from 9:30am to 2:30pm for median leaf removal on Spring Street/Brown Station Way

Ms. Jarboe presented a request on behalf of Josh Williams to close one lane closet to the median on Spring Street by Brown Station Way on December 1 while they do leaf removal.

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

Mr. Thompson thanked Mrs. Jarboe for all of her hard work on the Light Up event.

2. Larry Summers re: Main Street Project Update

Mr. Summers reported that MAC is working on installing the electrical conduit and the conduit for Charter Communications as part of the utility relocation project. He explained that part of this may require them to bump into the area set aside for the sidewalk and wanted the board to be made aware of this possibility. He added that if this happens they are required to maintain access to the businesses and put up a pedestrian detour. He stated that this week they are working between Bank and Pearl streets to install the conduit and by the end of the day they should be at the southwest corner of City Hall and there is a potential for a closure right in front of the building while they fill in an unidentified structure at the location. He reported that there is potential for storm water work at the southeast corner of Bank Street and wanted the board to be made aware.

Mr. Thompson asked if that would close Bank Street.

Mr. Summers stated that they have indicated that any time there is work on Bank Street they will maintain access through flagging or open Pearl Street.

3. Larry Summers re: 2022 Paving Project Update

Mr. Christmas reported that they are marking out some outstanding patching work on the arterial streets and are hoping to get that started late this week or next. He stated that they haven't received a committed date from the contractor but potentially next week on the outstanding striping.

Mr. Thompson asked if there is any way to prod them on the striping.

Mr. Christmas stated that they have been pushing them on this for the last two weeks.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if there is a deadline in the contract.

Mr. Summers stated that the contracts stimulates a certain number of days after the road is paved and this is conversations that he has already started having. He added that some of the locations are outside of the contract.

Mr. Christmas explained that if they get too short of a window no one will bid the striping or they get contractors that aren't very well qualified to do the work. He added that they will keep pushing to get it done.

4. 2013 & 2017 Olive Street Emergency repair

Mr. Thompson reported that wastewater had to do an emergency sewer repair which required them to shut down a lane to stage equipment to dig the site and place the pole. He added that work started yesterday and is ongoing today.

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the lane closure for two days, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

5. Mickey Thompson re: City Christmas Decorations

Mr. Thompson reported that decorations are being placed at the gateway Spring Street and they are there today utilizing signs and cones to shift traffic while they do the work in the median.

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

6. Mickey Thompson re: Sherman Minton Bridge closure

Mr. Thompson reminded the board that eastbound only will close this Friday, open Monday, close again December 14 at 10:00 p.m., and not reopen until December 23. He added that traffic will be able to travel to New Albany across the bridge.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

Mrs. Moeller presented the BOW Claim Docket for 11/29/22

ARP \$135,126.61

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Thompson moved to approve the Regular meeting minutes for November 22, 2022 as corrected, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Mickey Thompson, President

Mindy Milburn, Deputy City Clerk