

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WAS HELD IN ROOM 100 AT NEW ALBANY CITY HALL ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member, David Brewer, member, and Mickey Thompson, president.

OTHERS PRESENT: Police Chief Bailey, Fire Chief Juliot, Brad Fair, Phil Aldridge, Sidney Main, Alecia Meredith, Linda Moeller, Larry Summers, Jessica Campbell, David Rake, John Rosenbarger, Councilman Dickey, David Hall and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Derek Misch, Dan Cristiani re: Attached lane shift on Hwy 111 near Budd Road to repair a broken sanitary sewer manhole

Mr. Misch explained that they are shifting the lane over close to the intersection of Budd Road and Highway 111 today to do an emergency sewer repair on a broken manhole. He added that the guardrail needs to be repaired as well.

Mr. Thompson asked if this would take one day.

Mr. Misch stated that they hope to be done today but they don't know exactly what it is going to entail as there was a plate on it that they couldn't move before they agreed to do the job. He added that they contacted INDOT to get a permit through them and their signal locator did a locate to see if there will be any conduits in the way.

Mr. Thompson stated that this is just an FYI for this board because it is state highway.

2. Fastsigns re: Sign at 1512 E. Spring Street for Chanel Nicole Photography

Mr. Adam Dupre explained that this is for the same property that the board already approved but the customer changed their mind on the size of the sign to make it larger. He stated that they will be hanging it in an aluminum composite panel from an existing project pole.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked what the distance is from the bottom of the sign to the sidewalk.

Mr. Dupre stated that it is ~12 feet.

Mr. Thompson asked if it was similar in weight to what they previously proposed and if it would compromise the mount.

Mr. Dupre stated that it is the same material and won't affect the mount as it weighs a max of 15 lbs.

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

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

Mr. Andrew Nicholson asked Mr. Thompson if he received an answer on the live stream of these meetings.

Mr. Thompson replied no.

Mr. Nicholson stated that there is graffiti on the greenway coming in from the Main Street entrance all over the signs that has been there since quarantine and asked if the city plans to remove it. He explained that at the last board meeting Mr. Summers gave an update on the sidewalks to let them know that sidewalk deconstruction was going to start from E. 6th and work its way down. He stated that on Friday he saw a developer at the new restaurant Outcast, stop construction to call someone and now the construction has been moved to start further down. He asked what changes had been made other than the phone call the developer made.

Mr. Thompson asked where the graffiti is.

Mr. Nicholson stated that it is on the sign when you come in from Main Street that shows where Loop Island is and a map of New Albany.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Amenities request for 201 E. Market Street (Mr. Nice Guy)

Mr. Thompson stated that he has not be able to make a site visit yet and asked that the clerk keep it on the agenda for next week.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that she thinks he was also going to get back with them on some of the items he had in mind before the board would take any action.

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Vicki Glotzbach re: Dumpster Permit for 404 S. Parkline Drive for May 8-15

Mrs. Glotzbach explained that Ms. Wanda Wixson contacted her to request a dumpster permit at 404 S. Parkline Drive for the period of May 8-15. She added that she is using Ecotech for the dumpster.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that it looks like she does have a driveway and asked if she said why she wanted to put it on the street.

Mrs. Glotzbach stated that she didn't say.

Mr. Thompson stated that he didn't do a site visit but it could be because her driveway is on an incline or it could be where they are doing the work.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve subject to Mr. Thompson making a site visit, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

2. Vicki Glotzbach re: Handicapped Parking Spot Request at 232 Sloemer Avenue

Mrs. Glotzbach stated that Traffic Officer Mark Miller has approved this request and now it needs the board's approval.

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

3. Mickey Thompson for CenterPoint re: ROW Encroachment Permits for 1400 Silver Street, 1540 Sunset Drive and 901 E. Spring Street

Mr. Thompson stated that there are photos for 1400 Silver Street for the board to review.

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

Mr. Thompson explained that 1540 Sunset Drive is on the property and they will tie in at the edge of the road next to the privacy fence with an open trench.

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

Mr. Thompson stated that 901 E. Spring Street didn't make the packet but he did give the board copies to review. He added that the renderings show where the work is going to be and it's not in the roadway.

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

4. Mickey Thompson for Duke re: ROW Encroachment permit request for 2813 Sleepy Lane

Mr. Thompson stated that this is a request to install a pole and the photo shows that the line is sagging because the span is too far so they are going to install a new pole in the middle.

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

5. Mickey Thompson re: Emergency sewer repair at 820 Catherine Place on April 26th and 27th

Mr. Thompson reported that there was an emergency sewer repair at 820 Catherine Place and the work was finished on Monday with restoration work completed as well.

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

6. Shane Gibson/Brad Fair re: Resolution for Deed Transfer

Mr. Fair explained that there was an oversight on the original deed work and it was placed for the use of the flood control district as opposed to ownership of the flood control districts. He stated that this deed cleans up that wording to get the property listed under the correct department.

Mr. Thompson clarified that this is taking it out of Board of Works name and putting it into Flood Control.

Mr. Fair stated that is correct.

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

7. Larry Summers re: Main Street Project Update

Mr. Summers reported that the contractor will be working on the electrical on the south side of the project, moving forward with the excavation of the road bed and installing subgrade treatment starting at E. 5th Street moving west, MAC will have another crew on site removing sidewalk from Bank Street to State Street and installing the temporary stone sidewalks, and after the sidewalks are removed they will come through to do the electrical conduit trenching as well as address any basements and/or coal shoots that extend into the sidewalk. He explained that through the entirety of this project he has instructed MAC that if there is a reasonable request by a business owner to consider a slight modification in the work that is being done in front of their business, to try to make the modification happen. He stated that Outcast was anticipating a large crowd this weekend for Derby festivities and requested that the sidewalk remain in place just through the weekend. He added that this would be their normal protocol if something were to come up and they could make an accommodation.

Mr. Nicholson asked if there have been any other businesses that have done this or if any other businesses know about this.

Mr. Summers explained that as they have gone through the project, they have worked with the business owners to pick specific days to do concrete pours or remove sidewalks so that it would impact them the least amount as possible and has occurred for the majority of the south side.

Mr. Nicholson asked if that includes interrupting the original plan because a lot of businesses didn't know that they could stop construction like that. He asked who they would make that request to.

Mr. Summers stated that as work is progressing the inspectors that are on site or the job foreman will consider a reasonable request if it can be accommodated, such as postponing a section of sidewalk for a few days. He added that for a majority of the project they are progressing as planned.

Mr. Nicholson asked which is the best way for a business to submit that request.

Mr. Summers explained that when they handed out notices for the project, they included contact numbers for the inspector and the foreman and all they would have to do is reach out to the individuals on that paperwork.

8. Larry Summers re: New street in New Albany

Mr. Summers reported that there was a new street recently constructed in the city located at the intersection of Bono Road, Pearl Street and Graybrook Lane. He stated that it serves as an extension of Graybrook Lane. He stated that now that the road is paved, he would like to request that the board approve a permanent stop sign at the location so that it is a stop-controlled intersection. He added that they would like to modify the overhead flashers to make it a four-way stop and to modify the crosswalk striping and stop bars to accommodate the new location of the ramps.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked what the name of the road is.

Mr. Summers stated that he will have to look at the plat.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that she assumes it is going to need a street sign.

Mr. Summers stated that there is still some debate on whether it was a public or private street so he wants to determine that as well before they make any non-safety related changes. He stated that depending on his investigation, he may come back with other recommendations regarding how they handle the traffic that turns onto North Pearl Street.

Mr. Thompson stated that he did see that they have a temporary stop at the location now.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the stop sign, new flasher and striping change at that intersection, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Brewer moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for April 25, 2023, 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

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk