

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 TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Juliot, Deputy Police Chief Fudge, Phil Aldridge, Brad Fair, Brad Ramsey, Conner Slade, Mike Wallace, Krystina Jarboe, Wendy Byrn, Linda Moeller, Larry Summers, Councilman Dickey and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Troy Jones re: Dumpster permit request at 1716 Florence Avenue

Mr. Jones was not present.

2. Melissa Zink, Flippin 812 re: Dumpster permit at 1935 Center Street

Ms. Zink stated that they had a change in the plan after she submitted the email request for this dumpster. She explained that Kentucky Wide Cleanout will be doing the demo work and they are requesting a dumpster from Quantum Enterprises for 4/4-4/11 a on 4/11 they will switch to a dumpster from Gotta Go for the rest of their work until 4/18. She added that after they do all of this work if they need another dumpster, they will be able to get it on the property.

Mr. Thompson asked if demo is on the inside only.

Ms. Zink stated that it will be all the way down to the studs.

Mr. Thompson asked to clarify that there is nowhere on the property for the dumpster now.

Ms. Zink stated that is correct.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that as always, they will need to make sure cones or reflective tape is on the dumpsters for visibility.

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

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Krystina Jarboe re: Special Event Permit

- Friday, September 19 – Christian Academy: Fall Band Concert
- Event is from 6:00pm to 9:00pm
- Request to use the amphitheater stage (10:00am to 10:30pm)
- Request to use the amphitheater restrooms (6:00pm to 9:00pm)

- Request to use the electric on the stage for a small sound system/PA for music and program

Ms. Jarboe added that she thinks that the city has provided some city chairs for the stage in the past and if they are still under the stage, they have given them access.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if those are for the students to be seated on the stage.

Ms. Jarboe replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if she knows why they need it starting at 10:00 a.m.

Ms. Jarboe stated that she isn't sure but she believes that is the set-up time and then a buffer gap just in case anything happens. She added that they will have a total of 8 volunteers at the railroad crossing and they will be in shifts.

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

2. Krystina Jarboe for Warren Hestor regarding use of the Riverfront Amphitheatre.

Ms. Jarboe stated that Mr. Hestor is a local artist that is helping to design the Harvest Homecoming Pin this year and he is requesting to use the amphitheater today for a fundraiser for HHC.

Mr. Hester stated that he has been working with the Harvest Homecoming on the healing process from last year and described a piece of artwork that he has been working on called "Two Souls One Heart". He explained that he fell in love with New Albany when he moved here and he has a lot to give to this community.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if he has a permit application on file for the use of the amphitheater.

Mr. Hester stated that he started the process but did drag his feet on it because the person he was working with had surgery.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey said that this board cannot approve an event for the amphitheater without going through the application process.

Mr. Hester stated that some folks utilize the location informally playing music and they have been doing this for 6 years without issue. He added that they have to start early this year for HHC with some visionary ideas and to start the healing with elementary school kids.

Mr. Thompson stated that they appreciate his concern and what he is trying to do but in order for this board to be able to take action the application and proper process has to be followed.

Mr. Hester stated that he did submit some of the paperwork but he didn't quite finish it because he didn't understand it and he is not an organization.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to deny the request to use the amphitheater today, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

Mr. Thompson suggested that since he has started the paperwork that he gets someone from HHC to help him complete it as they are very familiar with all of the permits that the board requires.

Mr. Hester asked if they can do what they have done in the past and just play some music down there but get the bathrooms open.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that this is part of the permitting process because there are things that have to be done internally to facilitate things like electricity and the use of restrooms.

Mr. Brewer reiterated that they can't approve an event permit but if they are utilizing a public space and follow the rules that govern that area, they will be fine.

Mr. Thompson added further clarified that if he is personally down there playing music and enjoying the amphitheater, that is a different story, but this board is not giving him permission to have any kind of event or gathering in that space.

3. Linda Moeller re: Bank Reconciliation Worksheets for February 2025

Mrs. Moeller asked that the record reflect that she provided the February 2025 Bank Reconciliation Worksheets to the board and that they received them for review.

4. Larry Summers re: 2024 Paving Project Update

Mr. Summers reported that that the Louisville Paving subcontractor ADP is scheduled to finish the concrete sidewalk extensions on Greenlawn Drive, complete the curb/gutter extension along Janie Lane and finish the seeding/strawing along Venetian Way. He added that they are currently waiting on the delivery of thermoplastic materials that is used for striping to complete that work.

5. Larry Summers re: 2025 Paving Project Update

Mr. Summers reported that they received notice from INDOT about the Community Crossings and that they would be issuing the funds shortly. He added that given this information they will be able to move forward with the notice to proceed for the 2025 paving and they are in the works for finalizing that notice.

6. Mickey Thompson for Spectrum re: Encroachment permit to overlash Fiber to existing cable on Grant Line Rd. and Hausfeldt Ln.

Mr. Thompson stated that this is all aerial work except for one portion where they cross Hausfeldt Lane and there is a photo for the board to review. He added that the majority of the work is on the shoulder so it should not affect traffic but if it does they will use flaggers.

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

7. Mickey Thompson for Newton Excavation re: Encroachment permit to cut the alley behind 2401 Fairmont Ave. for a sewer tap

Mr. Thompson stated that this is for new construction.

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

8. Mickey Thompson for Miller Pipeline/CenterPoint Energy re: Encroachment permit to retire the gas service at 117 W. Market Street

Mr. Thompson stated that this is the demo next to the Hitching Post and according to their map it shouldn't impact traffic, but they have the lane shift just in case.

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

9. Mickey Thompson for CenterPoint Energy re: Encroachment permit for emergency repair near 1619 E. Main Street

Mr. Thompson stated that there is a photo attached showing where they took the sidewalk and it is the decorative portion of Main Street. He added that he asked them to make the restoration match the rest of the area so they are aware that it is not a typical sidewalk replacement.

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

10. Mickey Thompson Mickey Thompson for AT&T re: Encroachment permit to rework overhead to accommodate pole replacement by Duke in the area of 1696 Garretson Lane

Mr. Thompson stated that in their map it shows that this includes a portion at the end of Soergel Avenue. He explained that he reached out to AT&T and asked that they notify all of the residents before they start the work, and they assured him that they will notify the residents and also put door knockers out.

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

11. Mickey Thompson re: Upcoming Weather Event

Mr. Thompson stated that the National Weather Service is calling for four days of rain (Wednesday-Sunday). He stated that storm water, flood control, wastewater, and street department will make every effort to clean catch basins and address any other issues that will come with this amount of rain. He encouraged everyone to report issues to the city so they can respond as quickly as possible.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2025 as corrected, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:39 a.m.

Mickey Thompson, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk