

**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, SEPTEMBER 23, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Fire Chief Juliot, Police Chief Bailey, David Heeke, Brad Fair, Connor Slade, Brad Hicks, Cameron McLaughlin, Michael Mifflin, Brad Ramsey, Wendy Byrn, Jessica Campbell, Krystina Jarboe, Larry Summers 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. Lorrie Green re: Request to place PODs at 1514 Culbertson Avenue**

**Ms. Green** explained that she just moved to New Albany and has a couple of PODs to be delivered at 1514 Culbertson Avenue and would like to place them from September 24-26

**Mr. Thompson** asked if there are two PODs. He added that he did do a site visit and was concerned about a handicap spot in the same block, but it looks like it is far enough away.

**Ms. Green** replied yes and stated that she did measure the area and she will barely be encroaching on the house beside her so she will not disrupt the handicap spot at all. She added that she also talked to her next-door neighbor to let them know what she was going to do.

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

**2. Pat Hauersperger with Dave O'Mara Contractors for IAWC re: Encroachment permit request to repair a water leak at 1622 Oriole Dr., do an emergency repair of 6" water main break at 1649 Summit Ave., do an emergency repair of a water service leak at 616 E. Oak St., replace a 6" water shut off valve at State St. and Capt. Frank Rd., do an emergency repair of a water service leak at 404 Glenview Hts., repair a water service leak at 328 Jackson St., replace the water service at 811 Cherry St., install a new water service at 422 and 424 W. 7th St. and replace a fire hydrant at 602 W. Market St.**

**Mr. Thompson** said that Mr. Hauersperger will be present next week. He asked the clerk to put these requests back on the agenda for next week's meeting.

**3. Betty Pangburn re: Request to address the board regarding their denial of guardrail at Murr Lane and McDonald Lane**

**Mrs. Pangburn** stated that she has returned to request a guardrail at McDonald Lane and Murr Lane. She added that she called yesterday and found out that it had been denied but she is still very concerned about the safety of that curve and speeding. She added that she also sent photos in for them to review of the damage that was done to her home. She stated that the damage wasn't any fault of their own but they had to pay for the deductible for a repair and this is now a safety concern for them every day because their grandchildren play in the back yard.

**Mr. Summers** stated that given the distance from the curb to the house, and the lack of accidents in the past, based on the guidance that they have available in roadside safety guidelines, it wasn't warranted. He explained that guardrails are a potential safety hazard if they aren't careful about

where they are placed because vehicles can hit the ends and that could be fatal. He stated that there is analysis that it has to go through before being installed and at this time, with the configuration of the roadway, there wasn't enough room between the house and the edge of the road to install a guardrail. He added that as part of this issue they will continue to monitor the location to see if there is anything else they can do to help.

**Mrs. Pangburn** asked if they could place a sign or something to indicate that a curve is ahead.

**Mr. Summers** stated that he pulled up a map to see if there is any sort of "curve ahead" sign and he doesn't see one, so that is something they can look at doing.

**Mrs. Pangburn** stated that the guidewire is still wrapped around the telephone and that is a fire hazard.

**Mr. Summers** stated that to ease her mind a bit, the guidewires are just there to hold the pole and keep it from bending but they have no current going through them. He added that they definitely should have fixed that by now and he will get ahold of them to let them know.

**Mr. Pangburn** stated that he called the power company and they sent someone out right away and they said it wasn't their pole. He added that there is a lot of concern about something of this nature happening again. He stated that the driver that hit their home didn't even receive a speeding ticket so apparently, he wasn't even speeding and this happened

**Mr. Summers** stated that if it is not Duke's pole then it could be AT&T so he will reach out to them. He added that they will do what they can to address their concerns and monitor the area.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:**

**Wayne Holt for Miller Pipeline**, requested an encroachment permit to replace a gas service to 1832 Scott Road.

**Mr. Thompson** added that the locate shows that it is in the grass.

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

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**1. Vicki Glotzbach re: Banner permit request for Purdue Polytechnic's Pumpkin Chunking Event on October 14**

**Mrs. Glotzbach** stated that Purdue sent her revised art for their banner. She explained that they took the "Welcome Harvest Homecoming" phrase out of the banner since their event is actually after the festival.

**Mr. Brewer moved to approve the banner request for October 1<sup>st</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup>, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.**

#### **TABLED ITEMS:**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:**

**1. Krystina Jarboe re: Special Event Permits**

- **Thursday, October 23 – Masonic Lodge: Trunk-or-Treat**
- Request to have Demolay St/alley closed from 4:00pm to 8:30pm
- Request to have city drop barricades
- Event will be from 5:00pm to 7:30pm

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if they will make contact with the neighbors letting them know that they will not have access off the alley.

**Ms. Jarboe** replied yes.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** stated that they have had this event before but this is the first time they are asking for this closure.

**Ms. Jarboe** stated that is correct.

**Mr. Brewer** asked if they need to have a car parked at the entrance for safety.

**Police Chief Bailey** stated that he thinks it is a good idea to have one there.

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

## **2. Krystina Jarboe re: Fall landscape work on Main Street**

**Ms. Jarboe** reported that the landscaping crews will be out September 25-October 3 (weather permitting) on Main Street to work on getting it ready for fall and trimming back the summer overgrowth. She stated that they will start closing off one block at a time as they work their way down.

## **3. Vicki Glotzbach re: Vendor permit requests for Williams Novelties for the Harvest Homecoming Parade**

**Mrs. Glotzbach** stated that Williams Novelties contacted her to request six vendor's permits for the Harvest Homecoming Parade so that they can sell their novelties, as they do every year. She added that they are always so good about following the rules and actually purchasing these permits every year.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if it is kid friendly items.

**Mrs. Glotzbach** replied yes.

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

## **4. Larry Summers re: 2025 Paving Project Update**

**Mr. Summers** reported that because of the weather this week, there is not going to be too much paving work going on. He stated that beginning next week, they are planning to begin paving on Korb Avenue, Shelby Street, an alley behind Ekin Avenue, and possibly McClean Avenue and East 8<sup>th</sup> Street, weather permitting.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if notifications still go out to people in those areas.

**Mr. Summers** stated that they will be notified in advance of the work.

## **5. Larry Summers re: Trail Project Update**

**Mr. Summers** reported that they are going to be doing some storm water work on 6<sup>th</sup> Street this week, weather permitting, to correct a section of pipe that connects under the rail. He explained that they ran the camera through the lines and saw that a portion wasn't connected properly and another portion had collapsed from age. He added that there will be no closures and they will be flagging traffic.

**6. David Heeke re: “No Parking” signs on East 6<sup>th</sup> Street.**

**Mr. Heeke** requested no parking signs on East 6<sup>th</sup> Street between Elm and Spring streets from 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. on September 30 for vegetation control on the brick street for the parade and Harvest Homecoming.

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

**7. Brad Hicks re: Road Closure on Chartres Street**

**Mr. Hicks** passed out a maintenance of traffic plan for the board to review and requested a street closure on Chartres Street at the work zone on September 26 for one day. He explained that they will be removing a tree from the creek around the headwall and bridge area.

**Mr. Thompson** asked if they will be using a crane.

**Mr. Hicks** stated that he would imagine they would need to use a crane to lift off the headwall and bridge area.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if they anticipate being at the location most of the day.

**Mr. Thompson** stated that is part of the reason they are asking for a full closure so they can get it done in one day.

**Mrs. Cotner-Bailey** asked if it is local access only.

**Mr. Hicks** replied yes.

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

**APPOINTMENTS:**

**CLAIMS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Mr. Brewer moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2025 with corrections, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.**

**ADJOURN:**

**There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.**

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Mickey Thompson, President

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Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk