

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
January 16, 2019**

**Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:** Mr. Snedecor called the meeting to order at 3:34 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** The following members were present: Mr. Lain, Mr. Ehrhardt and Mr. Snedecor. Also present: Attorney DeBonis, C-T Longer and Admin. Asst. C. Govert.

**Reading of Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 2, 2019 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

**Correspondence:** Mayor Snedecor said he was proud of and thanked the Public Safety teams for working together at the fire last night at 3<sup>rd</sup> and Center Streets downtown. No one was seriously injured thanks to the Police and Fire Departments.

**Update: Streetscape Project:** Brandon Towle, BF&S, gave a brief update: the foundations are poured for the limestone wall on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, all work will continue as weather permits.

Mr. Snedecor addressed a letter from Margaret Rivera regarding the roundabout at 61<sup>st</sup> Ave. and Wisconsin Street. Ms. Rivera has concerns about the height of the center of the roundabout and feels that it impedes a driver's vision of oncoming traffic when entering the roundabout. Mr. Snedecor provided City Engineer, Phil Gralik, and Brandon Towle, BF&S, a copy of the e-mail to review. Mr. Gralik will respond to Ms. Rivera.

Mr. Gralik addressed the sluice gate at the dam. Bowen Engineering and the Public Works Department were able to dislodge a large log that was stuck in the gate, which is now closed, and the water level is going back to normal.

**Approval of Register of Claims and Payroll Claims:** Motion by Mr. Ehrhardt, seconded by Mr. Lain, to accept and sign the register of claims and payroll claims as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

**Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Snedecor asked the Board to consider adding Resolution 2019-01, the Special Purchase for Incinerator and Hobart Historic Preservation petition HHPC 19-01 regarding Café 339 to the agenda. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt, to approve the agenda as amended. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

**Unfinished Business:**

**Update: Cash Bond Related to Work Not Completed for 61<sup>st</sup> Ave.:** re: T & J Landscape; Attorney DeBonis reviewed the information to date. He has been in touch with Attorney John Craig and has conferred with BF&S, Ms. Kane, and Ms. Goodpaster. At this time nothing has been resolved. Attorney DeBonis recommended that this matter be continued to the February 20, 2019 meeting and stay the enforcement of prior action. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt, to continue this matter to the February 20, 2019 meeting of the Board of Works. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

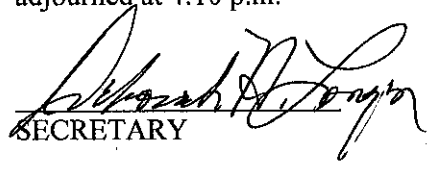
**New Business:**

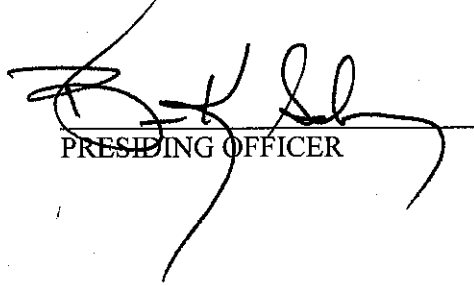
Request to Encroach on City Right of Way: re: Dimitrios Karatagladis, Café 339: Mr. Karatagladis was present. Mr. Snedecor stated that the Historical Preservation Commission has approved HHPC 19-01 at their meeting last night with a favorable recommendation for a seasonal change to the entryway of Café 339. This will be a temporary enclosure not to exceed 7 months per year, the eye doctor next door will share in using the enclosure which will be flush with the building with a 3' encroachment for the door. Mr. Snedecor said that we want to encourage downtown businesses to improve and enhance within the restrictions of the zoning and planning laws of the City. Discussions about options for the enclosure were held with the conclusion supporting option 1 as approved by the Historical Preservation Commission. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the petition and support Option 1 to extend the enclosure to the wall line not to exceed 7 months per calendar year staying consistent to Chapter 32, section 3202.4 of the International Building Code concerning temporary encroachments. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Resolution 2019-01: A Resolution Authorizing the Acquisition of a Mobile Waste Incinerator as a "Special Purchase": The Resolution was read. Chief Zormier said it has become difficult to find places that will dispose of drugs and contraband seized and explained that the incinerator is necessary to dispose of drugs in evidence without going outside of the City. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Ehrhardt, to approve Resolution 2019-01 in the amount of \$74,700 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

**Announcements:** Mr. Snedecor asked if there was anyone who wished to address the Board and there was no response.

**Adjournment:** Motion by Mr. Lain, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (3-0) The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

  
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