

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
February 3, 2021**

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag: Mrs. Longer called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was held with the building open to the public and a call-in number for remote public participation.

Roll Call: The following members were present: Mr. Lain and Mrs. Longer. Absent: Mr. Snedecor. Also present: City Attorney McCarthy (telephonically) and Administrative Assistant to the Mayor, Emily SeDoris.

Reading of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2021 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

Approval of Register of Claims and Payroll Claims: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to accept and sign the register of claims and payroll claims as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the agenda as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Update/Review: Unsafe Building: Tom Gielezyn, Master Guys, re: 512 E. 4th, & 347/349 Main St.: Building Official Jeremy Ogden updated the Board stating that Mr. Gielezyn is moving forward on the house on 4th Street. He has installed the windows and is currently working on getting the heat installed. As to the 4th St. property, the project site clean up is mostly completed but there are a few more items he will be working on. City Planner Ross Pietrzak stated the Historic Preservation Commission has approved the work scheduled for the brick façade on the 349 Main St. property and expects Mr. Gielezyn to present a petition to the HPC for the 347 Main St. property in March. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to set this item over for an update and review at the March 3, 2021 meeting of the Board of Works. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

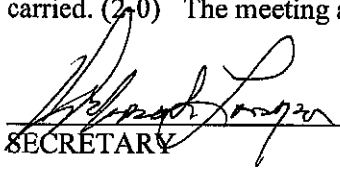
Request for Residential Only parking: re: 595 N. Kelly St., Darrell & Tracy Kersey: The property owners were not present in person or telephonically. Lt. Russo had provided a written evaluation of the request, stating in part that: 595 Kelly does not have an improved easement but the property at 591 N. Kelly, directly south of Kersey's property, does have an improved easement which would allow parking; that improved parkways are public property and any person could park on an improved parkway; that no "resident only" parking exists anywhere in the City of Hobart on public easements; and recommended that there should be no objection to 595 N. Kelly paving their parkway if they wish to do so at their own expense should they wish to petition the Board for this improvement. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to **deny** the request for "residential only" parking but informing the owners that improvement of the easement would be considered at their own expense should they choose to petition the Board for permission to do this. City Engineer Phil Gralik noted that there is an ADA ramp at 595 N. Kelly and if

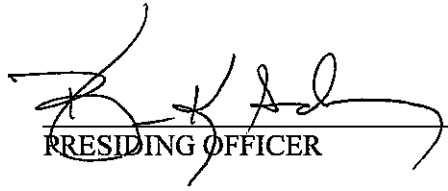
paving of the easement is requested, the City would need to review a request to assure the grade for the ramp was not compromised and drainage issues are addressed. Mrs. Longer called for a vote on the question. All aye, motion carried. (2-0) Request is denied. The Clerk's office will send a letter to the owners with the decision and discussion held.

Consideration of 6-month Crossing Guard Contract: Police Chief Zormier presented a 6-month contract for a crossing guard to be used primarily at the Veteran's Elementary School site January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 for a total sum of \$ \$4,058.40. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the 6-month Crossing Guard Contract in the amount of \$ 4,058.40 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Announcements: Mrs. Longer asked if there was anyone who wished to address the Board and there was no response.

Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (2-0) The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.


SECRETARY


PRESIDING OFFICER