

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA  
February 20, 2019**

**Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:** Mr. Snedecor called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Reading of Minutes:** Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Snedecor, to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 6, 2019 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

**Correspondence:** Mr. Lain asked if any progress had been made with the demolition of the Guyer Building at 3<sup>rd</sup> St. and Center St. Mr. Snedecor stated that the insurance company is finishing up their investigation. The City has expressed concerns and urgency to raze the remains. Building Official, Mr. Hannigan, said that the owner has submitted the necessary paperwork to the Historic Preservation Commission.

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

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

**Unfinished Business:**

**Continued: Cash Bond Related to Work Not Completed for 61<sup>st</sup> Ave.:** re: T & J Landscape: Mr. Lain said that staff has not come to a resolution at this time. They are waiting for a soil sample from BF&S, an agreement of plant type, and an agreement of planting times. Attorney Craig sent an email which stated they are waiting on direction from the City. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mr. Snedecor, to continue this item to March 6, 2019 for review by the City Attorney and City Staff. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

**New Business:**

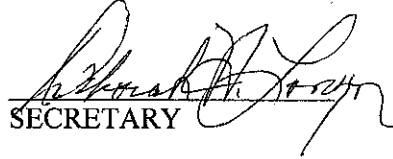
**Request to Remove Two (2) Dead and Unsafe Trees from Easement:** Donald Fuss, re: 1026 Devonshire: Mr. Fuss was present and requested the removal of 2 trees in his easement, 1 is on Ohio Street and 1 is on Devonshire Street, both are dead and unsafe. Mr. Snedecor suggested that this item be set over for review by the City Arborist. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mr. Lain to direct the Public Works Department to contact the arborist and determine the status of the trees. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

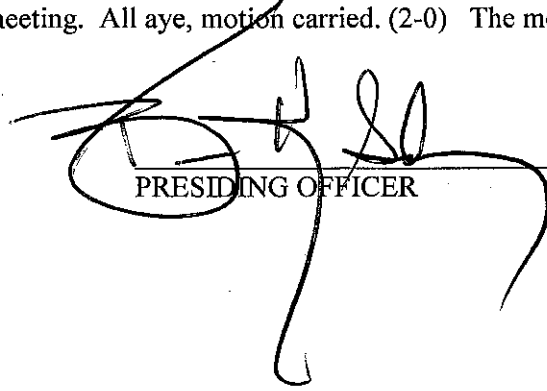
**Discussion of Surplus Fire Apparatus:** Fire Chief Randy Smith: Chief Smith was present and asked for permission to dispose of 2 non-operational Fire Apparatus. He stated that the first apparatus is a 1996 Quint which was removed from service in 2015 when it was replaced by the 2014 Quint. Attempts have been made to sell this unit or offer it for trade-in value, neither option has been successful. Currently, apparatus dealers have advised him to sell it for scrap value. The second is a 1995 KME Tower Ladder, this unit has been out of service for several months as they attempted to work through several chronic maintenance issues. He has removed this ladder from operational service and is looking to replace it with

a 107' quint. Chief Smith is recommending that they try to sell this unit on the open market rather than trading it in. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mr. Lain, to permit both apparatus to be sold or disposed of in the proper way by submitting proposals for sale or scrapping to the Board of Works. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

**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. (2-0) The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

  
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PRESIDING OFFICER