

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
May 5, 2021**

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag: Mr. Snedecor called the meeting to order at 3:32 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, Mrs. Longer, and Mr. Snedecor. Also present: City Attorney McCarthy.

Reading of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21, 2021 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Correspondence: Mr. Snedecor noted that in 2021 the City of Hobart is celebrating its 100th year of becoming a City. Birthday cake was distributed today in front of City Hall and a variety of activities and events will be happening throughout the year to commemorate this milestone.

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. (3-0)

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Snedecor requested the addition of Fire Department training at Becknell properties at 69th Ave. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the agenda as amended. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Update from HPD re: Traffic Study: Request for Caution/Children at Play signs: Traffic Study: 3rd Pl. at California and curve on California St.: Brian Bruce: Captain Garrett Ciszewski stated that HPD conducted the traffic study on 04/22/21 and 05/02/21 and noticed there were between 4-7 cars per hour and any speeding that was noticed was no more than 5 miles over the posted limit. Captain Ciszewski does not recommend the signs as posting signs would almost be encouraging the children to play in the street and that is not what the City wants. It was encouraged to inform the neighbors of the issue and to keep an eye out for the kids. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to **deny** the request for the Children at Play signs to be placed on 3rd Pl. at California and the curve on California St. All aye, motion carried. (3-0) The request is **denied**.

Continued: Order to Appear: Property Maintenance & Other Violations: re: 7197 Mississippi St., Marco Tamayo, Attorney Carrie Castro: The petitioner and his attorney were not present or online. This matter was moved to the end of the meeting. At the end of the meeting, the petitioner and his attorney were still not present or online. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mrs. Longer to issue an order to appear with full compliance as to restoration of the property at the May 19, 2021 Board meeting and to impose an additional \$500.00 fine due to non-responsiveness to the issues. All aye, motion carried. (3-0) Attorney McCarthy will contact Attorney Castro.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way and Temporary Highway Easement parcel: re: Colorado St., Phil Gralik: City Engineer, Phil Gralik provided an update and stated that 90% of the cost will be from Federal Highway Right-of-Way acquisition funds. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the Warranty Deed for Right-of-Way and Temporary Highway Easement parcel as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Request for Driveway/Parking lot Waiver to keep existing drive and parking lot gravel: re: 115 E. 3rd St., Bill Oeding, Abonmarche: Mr. Oeding requested that the existing 40 x 60 gravel lot remain as is for the time being. Abonmarche signed a 3-year lease, but if the company expands enough, the location may change. The gravel lot will be used for company vehicles and employees only. Mr. Snedecor suggested to revisit this in 18 months. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve the request to keep the existing drive and parking lot gravel and the Board will revisit this request in 18 months in November 2022. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Request for Improvements to the Parkway, 21' x 20' concrete (adjacent to driveway): re: 351 N. Ohio St., Ross Pietrzak: City Planner Ross Pietrzak, stated that he had no objections with this project, and it will add improvement to the neighborhood. Ross did state that within 1 year or until such time as the City determines the 42' sidewalk will be required at the owner's expense. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mr. Lain to approve 21' x 20' concrete parkway based on Planner's recommendation. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Request for Refund of permit: \$280.00 from Permit HV20210081: Korellis Systems Control Inc.: Jeremy Ogden: Building Official Jeremy Ogden, stated that Korellis Systems Control applied for a HVAC Permit and noticed the original permit address was incorrect. Korellis Systems came back in to get a new HVAC permit with the correct address. A refund is requested for the permit with the incorrect address. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to approve the refund of Permit HV20210081 for \$280.00 to Korellis Systems Control, Inc. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Resolution 2021-04: A Resolution to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Development Agreement between the City of Hobart and 2100 East 69th Avenue, LLC: The Resolution was read. Attorney DeBonis and Attorney Matt Hoffman were present telephonically and Beth Jacobson was present in person. Mr. DeBonis stated that the financial analysis was done by Baker Tilly. This Resolution is contingent on the decision of the Council. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to approve Resolution 2021-04 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

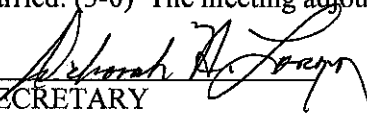
Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Development Agreement between the City of Hobart, and 2100 E. 69th Ave Indiana, LLC: The Resolution was read. Paul Thurston from Becknell, Attorney DeBonis, and Attorney Hoffman were present telephonically. Mr. DeBonis explained that Becknell has changed the entity name of this project. This Resolution is contingent on the decision of the Council. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to approve Resolution 2021-05 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

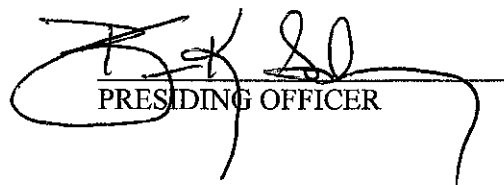
HFD Training: Chief Tinsley was present and stated the training would be held on the Becknell Property on 69th Avenue. The training will take place from May 16th – May 21st. This training will not have live burns. Paul Thurston was online telephonically and advised that HFD could use the property longer if needed. The demolition of the property will be done in May once the training is complete. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to approve the HFD training with no live burns at the Becknell Property on 69th Ave. 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 Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (3-0) The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.


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