

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
July 7, 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.

Reading of Minutes: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of June 16, 2021 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Correspondence: Update on 3rd St. Bridge project: Brandon Towle, BF&S, advised that the graffiti coat will be applied as soon as the product comes in. He also addressed the damage to the lights and advised he provided the Mayor with a list of possible alternatives. The Streetscape also has 2 outstanding items left on the punch list.

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: Mrs. Longer requested the requested the addition of the signing of the mylars for Leonard's Subdivision and Smith Estates. Mr. Lain also stated that the tree on 35 S. Wilson St. has been taken down and this item can be removed from the agenda. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to approve the agenda as amended. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Review/Compliance: Property Maintenance & Other Violations: re: 7197 Mississippi St., Marco Tamayo, Attorney Carrie Castro: Mr. Tamayo was present in person and Attorney Castro was present telephonically. Phil Gralik, City Engineer stated he has no update since the last report. Attorney Castro stated that Mr. Tamayo is working on task #4 from the memo dated 05-19-2021. There will be a site visit before the next meeting on July 21, 2021. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to set for review and compliance at the July 21, 2021 Board meeting. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Update/Review: Unsafe Building: Tom Gielezyn, Master Guys, re: 512 E. 4th & 347/349 Main St: Jeremy Ogden, Building Official, stated that he is working with Tom. Tom is wanting to do some changes but will need to go in front of the Historic Preservation Board. The changes to the COA will need to be put in writing as well. Jeremy stated that time is the biggest obstacle for this project and the completion date is unknown at this time. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to set this for review at the August 4, 2021 meeting of the Board. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Continued: Donation of Fire Truck: Tradewinds, re: 3198 East 83rd Pl.: Attorney McCarthy stated that the Letter of Understanding was send out. She spoke with Lisa, the Director of Marketing and they are in agreement to remove the city seal so the truck isn't mistaken for an in use emergency vehicle. Attorney Mindel will be reaching out to Attorney McCarthy in regards to this matter. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain, to continue this matter to the July 21, 2021 Board meeting. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

Request for No Shoulder sign: re: Cleveland Ave., 50' East of Cleveland Terrace on North side: Josh Huddleston: Donna Seeley, 1 Cleveland Terrace was present and provided additional pictures and information. Kelly Smith, Superintendent of Public Works mentioned that a sign will not solve the problem and recommended a guardrail be installed. She will be working with SDI to obtain quotes. Phil Gralik, City Engineer discussed the drainage in the area and suggested the owner and Public Works to meet on site to discuss possibilities. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to approve the recommendation to install a guardrail. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Request for Pavement in Right-of-Way: re: 3717 E 82nd Ct.: Ross Pietrzak: City Planner, Ross Pietrzak stated that this property had been previously paved. There are no concerns from the other departments regarding the paving. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to approve the pavement in the Right-of-Way with the condition that a R.O.W. Maintenance agreement is signed. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Request to remove tree in easement and alley: re: 521 N. Indiana St.: Amanda Gniadek: Per the arborist report, the tree in the easement is not dead nor dying and is not recommended to be removed. It was also stated that the City has no jurisdiction in regards to the tree in the alley. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to **deny** the request unless the homeowner wishes to remove the tree at their own expense. All aye, motion carried. (2-0) The request is **denied**.

Request to remove tree in easement: re: 48 N. Linda St.: Jenifer Cartegena: Jenifer Cartegena was present telephonically. She stated that the tree was causing buckling in the sidewalk as well as damage to the roadway and her driveway. Jenifer also stated that she believes the tree is causing the sewer issues with her neighbors. The arborist reported that the tree was not dead nor dying. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to **deny** the request for removal of the tree unless the homeowner wishes to remove it at their own expense. All aye, motion carried. (2-0) The request is **denied**.

Request for placement of mailbox in easement: re: 1037 E. 10th St., Susan Nole, Fetterer Tax Service: Jeremy Ogden, Building Official stated that he had no objections with the request of installing a 24x24 mailbox. Motion by Mr. Lain to approve the installation of the mailbox in the easement. Upon discussion of whether a maintenance agreement was needed, motion was withdrawn. Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to review this request at the July 21, 2021 Board meeting to allow the City Attorney to prepare a maintenance agreement. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Approval of Long-Term Maintenance and Operation Agreement (LTMA): Price Point Builders 2 LLC, Hawk Crossing Phase 1, re: NW Corner of 61st Ave and Colorado: Tim Kingsland: Motion by Mr. Lain, seconded by Mrs. Longer to accept the Long-Term Maintenance and Operation Agreement as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Accepting conveyance of property on Warranty Deed: Parcel 17, Colorado St. Project: Debbie Scurlock: Phil Gralik, City Engineer stated that this was for the US 30 and Colorado St. project. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to authorize the Mayor to sign the Warranty Deed as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Request for Demolition: re: 1317 South Lake Park: Jeremy Ogden: Jeremy Ogden, Building Official stated that Mr. Tomich was served in person. Two others have not received their letters yet (Discover and Bayview Loan Servicing). Attorney McCarthy mentioned that the title work still shows ownership and Discover Bank needs notified. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to set this for review at the August 18, 2021 Board meeting. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

Signing of Mylars:

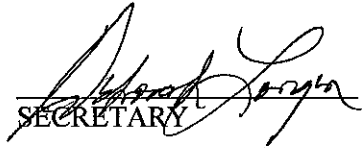
Leonard's Subdivision, 1-Lot Subdivision, re: 400 S. Sullivan St. and Smith Estates, proposed 1- Lot Subdivision, re: 8304 Harms Rd.

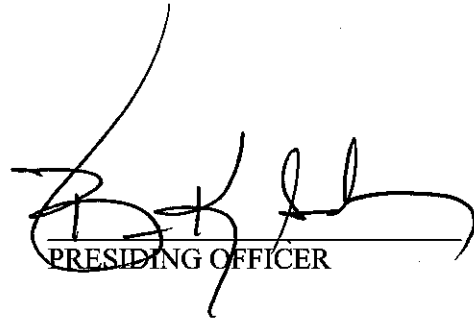
Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to accept and approve the signing of the mylars for Leonard's Subdivision, 1-Lot Subdivision, re: 400 S. Sullivan St. and Smith Estates, proposed 1- Lot Subdivision, re: 8304 Harms Rd. as presented. All aye, motion carried. (2-0)

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 4:28 p.m.


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PRESIDING OFFICER