

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
CITY OF HOBART, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
July 20, 2022**

Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag: Mr. Snedecor called the meeting to order at 3:31 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 July 6, 2022 as presented. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Correspondence: Mayor Snedecor announced that the opening ceremonies for the softball World Series will be held on Thursday evening at Festival Park. There is an anticipated attendance of around 5,000 people.

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: Mayor Snedecor requested that the order to appear on the unsafe building for 215 East St. be moved to the top of the agenda. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to approve the agenda as amended. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

New Business:

Order to Appear: Unsafe Building: re: 215 East St.: Joe Gore: Mr. Gore was present in person. Attorney McCarthy stated that Mr. Gore is represented by Counsel and she spoke with his attorney today. They discussed the Right to Appeal which means a certain amount of time is allowed to prepare for the hearing. The hearing will be done at the next meeting and that Mr. Gore's counsel is aware of that. A modification will be done to the order served. Attorney McCarthy stated that the issue today is that the building in fact is secured and locked up with no tenants in the building. Chief Smith stated that a deadbolt lock was applied to the door. Mr. Gore stated that when he put the lock on the building there was a tenant present, but the building is now vacant. A sign will be posted for what times the tenants can come into the building to retrieve their items. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mrs. Longer to set this matter over for a Public Hearing for August 3, 2022 at 3:30 pm. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Unfinished Business:

Continued: Property issues: Cagney's and NW corner of Third and Main St. re: 236 Main St.: John Pappas and Nick Karounos was present telephonically and stated they are still waiting for the equipment to arrive. Some components are due to ship on July 27th and others are due in on August 2nd. Once components are in the work will be scheduled to start shortly thereafter. Permits will be pulled after the components are in. Nick stated that he sent the electrical permit and agreement for masonry work over to Phil Gralik, City Engineer. Building Official Karen Hansen stated she hasn't received any paperwork on the structure. Phil Gralik stated that he will get those files over to Karen. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mr. Lain to continue this item for review at the August 17, 2022 meeting. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Continued: Consideration for Bond Reduction: Cressmoor Estates, Phase 1: Randy Hall: No one was present. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to continue this item until the August 17, 2022 meeting of the Board. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Continued: Update on Compliance of Property Violations: re: Safe Haven, 7931 Iowa St.: No one was present for this matter. Hobart Fire Department stated that everything was done that they had requested. Building Official Karen Hansen stated that they had some stormwater issues, but they are waiting for parts to come in. Their temp occupancy has been extended. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to continue this matter over for progress towards compliance at the September 7, 2022 meeting. All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Tabled: Signing of Mylars, Plat of Vacation of Right-of-Way: 262' x 50' unimproved section of Illinois Street, zoned R-2: Matthew Pomales: This item will remain on the table pending the action by the Council this evening.

New Business:

Signing of Mylars/Acceptance of Bond: 1-lot subdivision (The Backwoods) located South of 13th Pl. & Virginia St., Lake George Plateau, Unit 6, zoned R-1, 7.04 acres: Richard Harter and Abonmarche: No one was present for this matter. Mrs. Longer stated that we do have a bond on file for streets, curbs, and sidewalks signed off by the City Engineer. Dave Vinzant stated that the Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation. Motion by Mr. Snedecor, seconded by Mrs. Longer to approve the Signing of Mylars/Acceptance of Bond as presented for 1-lot subdivision (The Backwoods). All aye, motion carried. (3-0)

Award of Contract with Gatlin Plumbing: re: 37th Ave. Water Main Extension: Phil Gralik: City Engineer Phil Gralik stated that this is just the base bid of the water main on the South side of 37th Ave. Motion by Mrs. Longer, seconded by Mr. Lain to approve the notice of award and execute the agreement for the 37th Ave. Water Main Extension with Gatlin Plumbing. 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, seconded by Mrs. Longer, to adjourn the meeting. All aye, motion carried. (3-0) The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.


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