

REGULAR MEETING – February 2, 2009

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, met in REGULAR SESSION on Monday morning, February 2, 2009, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., in the Council Chambers, in the City Hall Building, located at 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City, Indiana - a regular meeting room of this Board.

The meeting was called to order by Anthony Metzcus, who presided.

Noted Present: Anthony Metzcus, President; Mayor Charles Oberlie, Member; and John Schaefer, Member (3).

Absent: None (0).

A QUORUM WAS NOTED PRESENT.

Also noted in attendance:

John Espar, Corporate Counsel
Sgt. Jeff Loniewski, Traffic Division, M.C.P.D.
Bill Phelps, City Engineer
John Pugh, Director, Planning and Inspection
Dave Lamb, Fire Chief, M.C.F.D.
Jack Kahn, Central Services, Street Director

Thomas Fedder, City Clerk
Kim Sliwa, Asst. Deputy City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Schaefer moved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2009 be approved as printed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Metzcus and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Metzcus, Oberlie and Schaefer (3). NAYS: None (0). Motion carries.**

6TH ANNUAL SAMARITAN SKEDADDLE 5K RACE

Karl O. Roessler, 2010 Sommerset Road, wrote the following on January 20, 2009:

The Samaritan Center would like to request permission for our 6th Annual Samaritan Skedaddle 5K Race on April 25, 2008.

Last year, our race entertained 500 runners and raised over \$20,000 for the Samaritan Center. This money helped many people get the counseling help that they needed.

The race will keep the same course as last year. We will start on Washington and Eighth Street, turn on Ninth, run down Pine, then through Washington Park, and finish down Washington to Eighth Street. We will host the after race part in the parking lot of the Presbyterian Church immediately after the race (following the same format as last year).

Thank you for all your support last year.

Sgt. Jeff Loniewski, M.C.P.D. Traffic Division spoke on behalf of the Michigan City Police Department. Sgt. Loniewski suggested the Board accept the date and time recommended by Mr. Roessler.

Mayor Oberlie asked about the staffing for the event, inquiring if volunteers are provided?

Sgt. Loniewski replied that in addition to the volunteers, the Emergency Management Agency is also utilized.

John Schaefer made the motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded by Mayor Oberlie and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Metzcus, Oberlie, and Schaefer (3). NAYS: None (0). Motion carries.**

REQUEST FOR STREET LIGHTS

The following letter was received in the Clerks Office on January 8, 2009 from Mr. Bill Bolding, 630 White Oak Drive, M.C.:

(note: this was held over from the January 20, 2009 meeting)

Could we get more street lights on White Oak Drive in the 600 block, it is very dark at night.

John Pugh, Director, Planning and Inspection addressed the Board with his findings and recommendations as follows:

STREET LIGHT REQUEST

Citizen requesting additional overhead street lighting within the 600 block of White Oak Dr.

EXISTING CONDITIONS:

- 01-09-09 @ 12:00 p.m. snow cloudy 25°+/-
- Intersection with Coolspring Ave., NIPSCO pole #227/664 lamped.
- Mid-block in front of 637 White Oak Dr., NIPSCO pole 222/387 lamped.
- 630 White Oak Dr. is two (2) homes to the north on the east side of street.
- Mid-block in front of 615 White Oak Dr., NIPSCO pole #223/70? lamped.
- Intersection with Gardena St., NIPSCO pole # 961/098 lamped.

SUGGESTIONS:

- Request Michigan City Police Traffic Division Night Patrol to view lamps function.
- Installation of additional lighting; two (2) midblock distances.

Mayor Oberlie made the motion to approve the recommendations of the Planning Department to be authorized to work with NIPSCO to provide two (2) additional lamps. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schaefer and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Metzcus, Oberlie and Schaefer (3). NAYS: None (0). Motion carries.**

CLAIMS AND PAYROLL

Mr. Schaefer, moved that the claims set forth in the Register of Claims (in possession of the City Controller) and appearing in the Register be severally allowed and ordered paid and proper warrants for payment thereof hereby ordered issued in the stated amounts to person(s) and/or firm(s) as set forth, and payrolls approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Metzcus and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Metzcus, Oberlie and Schaefer (3). NAYS: None (0). Motion carries.**

The Board signed: Payroll items in Register of Claims for informational purposes (which Register is in the possession of the City Controller) as follows:

Page	Date	Amount
1 of 10	01/30/2009	\$659,304.84

Allowance of claims as set forth in the Register of Claims as follows:

Page	Date	Amount
1 of 5	01/30/2009	\$3,324,897.74

ADDITIONAL LIGHTING

John Pugh, Director, Planning and Inspection addressed the Board regarding the lighting on Franklin and 7th Streets in the municipal lot located on the North East corner. Mr. Pugh presented the Board with a diagram of the parking lot/corner; with two (2) recommendations. Mr. Pugh recommended locating the street light on the alleyway.

Mayor Oberlie made the motion to approve the recommendations of the Planning Department to install light one (1) by the alleyway. The motion was seconded by Mr. Schaefer and carried as follows: **AYES: MEMBERS Metzcus, Oberlie and Schaefer (3). NAYS: None (0). Motion carries.**

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ADJOURNMENT

The presiding officer inquired whether there was anything else to be considered by the Board at this time and, there being none, declared the meeting ADJOURNED (approximately 9:15 a.m.).

Thomas F. Fedder, City Clerk

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