

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS JUNE 17th, 2019, GOSHEN, INDIANA

The Board of Public Works and Safety and Stormwater Board of the City of Goshen met in the Council Chambers, 111 E. Jefferson St., June 17th, 2019, at 2 p.m. for their weekly Board meeting. Mayor Jeremy Stutsman was the presiding officer with members of the Board present or absent as follows:

PRESENT: Mayor Jeremy Stutsman, Board Member Mitch Day, Board Member Mike Landis,

ABSENT:

OTHERS:

Clerk-Treas. Admin Assistants
~~Asst. Brownfield Coordinator~~
Central Fleet Maint. Manager
~~Fire Chief~~
Street Commissioner
~~Human Resources~~
Director of Public Works
Wastewater Superintendent
~~Mayor's Admin Assistant~~
Fire Lieutenant

Police Chief
Utilities Office Manager
Contracts & Claims Manager
Water & Sewer Superintendent
City Attorney
~~Asst. Street Commissioner~~
Civil Traffic Engineer
Brownfield Coordinator
~~Asst. Fire Chief~~

Asst. Building Commissioner
~~City Planner~~
Assistant City Planner
Legal Compliance Administrator
~~Communications Coordinator~~
~~Assistant Police Chief~~
~~Building Inspector~~
Parks Superintendent
~~Clerk-Treasurer~~

Minutes of the meeting of June 10th, 2019, were presented. Board Member Landis made a motion to remove two (2) lines on the last page that were duplicated. On motion of Board Member Day and second by Board Member Landis, the minutes were approved, as amended.

REQUEST TO HIRE—WILLIAM THEODORE PAYNE MILLER- GPD

Police Chief Jose Miller requested Board approval for the hiring of William Theodore Payne Miller for the position of Probationary Patrol Officer to the Goshen Police Department effective June 17th, 2019. William has passed all exams and has been approved by both the local and State pension boards.

Board Member Landis moved to approve the request. Second by Board Member Day and motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO AWARD BID FOR LEAF VACUUM PURCHASE

Legal Contracts and Claims Manager Keitha Windsor requested Board approval to award a quote for the Purchase of a Leaf Vacuum. On June 10th, 2019 the Board of Public Works and Safety

opened bids for Purchase of a Leaf Vacuum, the specification documents were sent to 3 suppliers and only one quote was received from BEC Enterprises LLC d/b/a Brown Equipment Co.

It is recommended that the Board of Works award the contract to BEC Enterprises LLC d/b/a Brown Equipment Co. as the lowest responsible and responsive quote for a total contract price of \$57,015.00 and permission is requested to authorize execution of the contract.

Board Member Day moved to approve the request. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST FOR SEWER RELIEF – 212 E DOUGLAS ST

Vincent Kimlick requested Board approval for sewer relief at 212 E Douglas St. Mr. Kimlick received his water bill and noticed the usage seemed very high. He called his renters at the 212 E Douglas home and scheduled to have Goshen Plumbing and Heating come out and inspect the issue. Goshen P&H found the water leaking under the crawlspace from a broken pipe with the water leaking into the ground. All the water that was leaking was being absorbed into the ground and not through the sewer system.

Mr. Kimlick is asking for a relief amount of \$166.73 and also relief of the penalty amount of \$29.71.

Board Member Landis moved to approve the request for relief in the amount of \$196.44 Second by Board Member Day and motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO APPROVE GRAVEL FOR DRIVEWAY - 202 N RIVERSIDE BLVD

Hector D. Trujillo, requested Board approval to use gravel in their home driveway/parking lot temporarily. At this time Mr. Trujillo does not have the funding to use concrete and also does not need that large of a driveway, but is needing the extra space until all his children move out. He has seen many of his neighbors with the same gravel driveways as well. This home is on the NE corner of Clinton and Riverside.

Assistant City Planner, Rossa Deegan, made Board aware that if approved this will still need to be approved by the BZA.

Board Member Day moved to approve the request. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH EMINENT DOMAIN TO
ACQUIRE EASEMENTS ON COLLEGE AVE – RES 2019-19**

Legal Compliance Administrator Shannon Marks requested Board approval for resolution 2019-19 and authorization to proceed with eminent domain to acquire easements on College Avenue. The City of Goshen and Elkhart County entered into an agreement for the reconstruction of the bridge on College Avenue crossing the Horn Ditch and the relocation of utilities, hereinafter "Public Improvement Project." It is necessary for the City to acquire a permanent utility easement and a temporary construction easement upon the real estate at 2762 College Avenue for the Public Improvement Project

Board Member Landis moved to approve and authorize the eminent domains for College Ave. Second by Board Member Day and motion passed unanimously.

REQUEST TO APPROVE MECHANICAL LICENSE—DANIEL L. EVERHART

Assistant Building Commissioner Myron Grise requested Board approval for a mechanical license for Daniel L. Everhart of Wang's Corp located at 13144 Harrison Drive, Caramel, IN 46033. He received a score of 76.7% on the Block & Associates Master Unlimited Air Conditioning Examination given on June 26, 2003 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Board Member Day moved to approve the request. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

PRIVLEDGE OF THE FLOOR

Jeff Broker, requested Board approval for the use of a crane for the small construction job at Chandler Elementary School, 419 S 8th St, Goshen IN. The Construction will be to install 2 water heaters.

David Gibbs advised about shutting down whole block behind school. That block is Cottage Ave, between Madison and Pearl.

Mayor Stutsman moved to approve the request. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY:
414 RIVER AVE & 216 S 27TH STREET**

Ronald Davidhizar came before the Board of Public Works and Safety on behalf of both properties, 414 River Avenue and 216 S 27th Street. Building Inspector Travis Eash inspected both properties on June 12th, 2019 and found that all repairs have not been made and further violations and hazards have been brought to his attention when inspecting both properties.

The building at 414 River Avenue was deemed to be unsafe back in June 2013. An order for demolition was entered in May 2014. However, Mr. Davidhizar previously had an agreement with a third party to purchase the property for the purpose of demolition on a couple different occasions. The property has only worsened over this time period and is an attraction to vandals' and animals causing more damage to the structure. It is in the Building Departments determination that this unsafe property needs to be demolished.

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Mr. Davidhizar stated that LaCasa pulled out financially last Thursday, June 13th, 2019 leaving him financially obligated to repair the homes. He inspected them himself and the roofs are fairly new as well as they both having good foundations. Both homes are not under any fire hazard since the electricity is shut off at the pole to both homes. The graffiti can be painted over on both homes and the siding at the 216 home he would redo with vinyl siding not hardboard and Styrofoam underneath. With both homes he also needs time to address the windows and if he wants to completely purchase all new windows or just the glass. At the 414 home he will replace drywall with 5/8 drywall.

Ronald Davidhizar is asking the Board to approve 60 days for him to decide if he can complete these renovations and find the financial means or just go along with the demolitions as per the City order.

Mayor Stutsman moved to set the demolition for 60 days to allow Mr. Davidhizar time but set a strict date for both homes to be demolished if no progress has been made. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

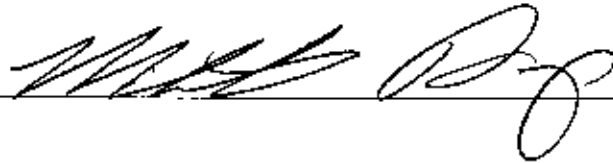
There being no further business Mayor Stutsman moved to process claims and then to adjourn. Second by Board Member Landis and motion passed unanimously.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY AND STORMWATER BOARD:

MAYOR JEREMY STUTSMAN



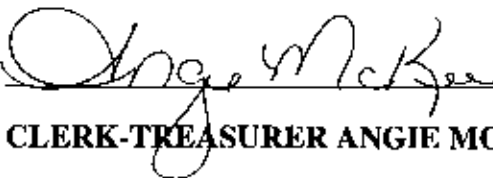
BOARD MEMBER MITCHELL DAY



BOARD MEMBER MICHAEL A. LANDIS



ATTEST



CLERK-TREASURER ANGIE MCKEE

