

REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

LOGANSPOUT BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

9:30 AM – City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER: Deputy Mayor Jacob Pomasl called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge was recited in unison.

ROLL CALL: Duane Ullom, Clerk-Treasurer.

PRESENT: Lisa Terry, Jacob Pomasl.

ABSENT: Chris Martin

ATTORNEY PRESENT: Kelly Leeman.

MEDIA: Jim Wolf.

OTHERS PRESENT: John Beery, Bill Speidel, Madyson Clem, John “Tony” Shanks, Brian Hyder, Randy Ulery, Bob Bernhardt, Rob Rennewanz, Travis Yike, Janey Fawley

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the September 29, 2021 Meeting

Motion: to approve the Minutes from September 29, 2021, as presented **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Lisa Terry, **Seconded by** Jacob Pomasl. Motion passed with one abstention.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:	\$299,554.23	Including:	Claims	\$73,549.61
			Payroll (9/30/2021)	\$226,004.62

Motion: to approve the claims as presented, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Contracts/Agreements
 - BLN – Application Preparation for Next Level Trails Grant Jacob Pomasl

Jacob stated they have been working with Parks and Planning to get this project going. He explained they want to begin preparing the application to apply for the Next Level Trails Grant. The application process will open next month. Jacob acknowledged the two gentlemen in the gallery from BLN and asked them to come forward and briefly communicate details including the importance of getting this contract started. John Beery, Traffic Manager with BLN, brought exhibits for the board. Mr. Beery explained they have been in discussion with the city for a month or so regarding grant opportunities for this town and possible connection points from the downtown area to Ivy Tech campus on the south side of town. Shown on the maps he handed out are two alternate locations they plan to work on, preparing estimates for each grant application. Route A is south 18th Street option. Other options could include a possible pedestrian bridge and potentially retrofitting the intersection to connect with areas across the river. There will be a couple different options and alternatives. They will present drawings and cost options for a couple different retrofits. This includes signal options, possible bridge, pedestrian hybrid beacon, pedestrian crossing at the existing trail, crossing on the north side of the bridge, as well as, bringing options into the town for the future. The other alternate location is coming out of the campus to the north, along Ivy Tech Drive and following East Main Street downtown to State Route 29/25 and connecting to the river bridge there. He said they have three options and two routes for each that they will be looking at. Jacob asked Bill to introduce himself. Bill Speidel, Project Coordinator for BLN, introduced himself. Lisa asked what the money that is getting approved today is for. Jacob stated it is the money toward the application. Lisa asked where the money is coming from. Jacob stated it will be from Board of Works Contractual Services. He explained this grant is an 80/20 grant, we will have to have a 20% match for the application amount. This is one of the things they will work through and talk to council about how to fund. He acknowledged there are interesting opportunities in this area, with some things that have been done. The Ready Grant and other stuff, if obtaining a grant like this for that area, funds a match to use toward that grant as well. Jacob stated, "It really allows us to multiply the money in that area." Jacob asked Jan or Arin if they had anything to add. Jan stated, she had no doubt, it is important to do it. Arin stated this is their last round for Next Level and our option is now or never. Lisa confirmed, now or never.

Motion: to approve the BLN Next Level Trails Contract, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

- Cemetery – September 2021 Monthly Report

Bob Bernhardt

Bob came forward and stated it has been a typical month. Electricity was ran to the pole barn last month. Jacob asked if there was anything they should pay attention to on the mileage report or the grave sales and interments report. Bob stated, for the month of September, there were 16 internments and 6 graves sold. The 16 interments include 9 full internments, 6 cremations, and 1 infant. Money for this month was \$10,905 for interments and grave sales combined. In 2020, it was \$11,525.00.

Motion: to approve the September 2021 Monthly Report for the Cemetery, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

- Street Department – September 2021 Monthly Report Tony Shanks

Tony came forward. Highlights from his report include 233 loads of brush taken to the compost site and 68 loads of bags. There were two emergency call outs in September, one property clean-up, 88 hours spent cleaning out catch basins, 17 mowing violations, 278 hours spent painting curbs, 52 hours spent cutting back on the alleys and almost 120 hours working out at the compost site. He stated they are still fighting the paint shortage but currently using what they have. Sherwin Williams cannot get the paint in. He also stated they worked 238 hours of overtime.

Motion: to approve the 2021 September monthly report for the Street Department, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: to amend the agenda to add dumpster requests and applications for street cuts, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

Jacob began with the dumpster request for Wilkinson Rentals, to clean out after eviction at 110 E Miami Avenue. Tony stated there is no place for them to put the dumpster on the property.

Motion: to approve the dumpster request at 110 E Miami Avenue, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

There is a dumpster request for 22 W Linden Avenue, on Vandalia Street, west of the property. They are replacing the roof. Tony confirmed this. Jacob acknowledged they are supposed to finish tomorrow. Lisa acknowledged the dumpster has been placed. Tony stated there is no recourse if they do not follow the rules. He said if someone asks and does not want to wait for the approval at the meeting, he allows it to be placed after they have filled out and submitted the forms, to go through the process.

Motion: to approve the dumpster request at 22 West Linden Avenue, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

Jacob moved on to the applications for curb and/or street cuts. He stated there is one for 17 E Linden Ave, from NIPSCO. Tony stated he believes they are all in the right-of-way, to retire gas services and no issues with these. Jacob made a motion to accept the street cut for 17 E Linden Avenue. Lisa asked if we these had to be done one at a time or if they can be done all at once. Duane stated they can all be done at one time if Tony approves of them all. Jacob listed the addresses for curb/street cuts. He began with 17 E Linden Avenue, 107 W Miami Ave, 616 North Street, 705 North 6th Street, 727 Franklin Street, 823 North 3rd Street, 910 Race Street, and 1600 Chase Road.

Motion: to approve the Applications for Curb/Street Cuts for the above-mentioned properties, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

- Building Inspector – September 2021 Monthly Report

Rob Rennewanz

Rob came forward to present his report. Highlights include 20 commercial building permits with 0 industrial, 1 public, and 108 residential for a total of 129 building permits for the month. Total fees include \$17,918 for the month. Year-to-date they are at a total of 852 building permits for the year, at \$91,314.

Motion: to approve the Building Inspector September 2021 Monthly Report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

- Code Enforcement
 - Weekly Report

Randy Ulery

Randy came forward. He communicated this week there were 25 issued violations, 10 violations cleared and 1 cleaned by the city. There were 9 vehicles red tagged, 7 vehicles cleared or moved by the owner and 4 extensions given after they contacted Randy. There were 8 first notices for mowing and weeds sent out, 3 cleared by the owner and 5 mowed by the city. There were 8 second notices sent out for weeds and mowing with 3 cleared by the property owner and 4 mowed by the city. The mowing is slowing down so he feels they are almost done with that. There are 4 notices to appear.

Motion: to approve the Code Enforcement weekly report, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.

- Request for Property Clean-up's
 - 1417 Smead Street

Jacob asked if there was anyone present to represent this property. Nobody came forward. Randy stated the initial inspection on this was July 20th. He has communicated with the people living there and has given them an extension. At this point in time, the property is almost completely cleaned up as of this morning when he visited. Randy stated this is kind of a hording situation. Everything shown on the picture taken of the back yard, on 10/4, is completely gone. Part of the reason it is here is because it is a multiple violation property but does not need a clean-up. Jacob asked if there was a way to tell if we had to clean up the others. Randy stated he believes the clean-up in 2019 did have to get cleaned up. He is not sure of the one in 2018 and 2020. Jacob asked Randy's opinion. Randy stated there is now the issue of the person who technically owns the property is deceased and that her daughter is now living there. He said they are working with it. Lisa wished to ask Randy if he has seen any cows up in that area or couple blocks around that area. Randy said he has been searching. Lisa stated she has had

several calls about a cow. Randy also received a call and he has discussed it with Brian with Animal Control. He stated they have both been through the alleys and unless they have it in a garage, it is extremely hard to find. Lisa wished to confirm with Randy about the 300-pound pig on Barron Street. Randy confirmed and said they have spoken with the owner and are working on that too.

Motion: to approve a property cleanup for 1417 Smead Street, **Action:** Failed, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion failed unanimously.

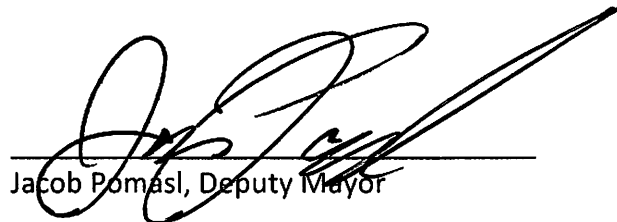
BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Lisa acknowledged she appreciates everyone's hard work and looks forward to a fun month of October.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS AND ANY MATTERS NOT ALREADY CONSIDERED INCLUDING ADA SECTION 504 COMPLIANCE OR CONCERNS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 a.m., **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by:** Jacob Pomasl, **Seconded by:** Lisa Terry. Motion passed unanimously.



Jacob Pomasl, Deputy Mayor



Duane Ullom, Clerk-Treasurer

Audio and Video recorded on 10/6/21.