

Minutes June 27, 2007

Board of Public Works and Safety

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular meeting, Wednesday, June 27, 2007, at 5:00 p.m., in the City Chambers, 3rd floor, City Building, Logansport, Indiana.

Silent **Roll Call** was taken by Mayor Fincher. Those present were Mayor Michael Fincher, and Joe Casalini. Deputy Attorney Lisa Traylor-Wolff was present. Others present: Code Enforcement Officer Hileman, Fire Chief McMinn, Jan Fawley, Park Administrator, and Building Commissioner Hostetler.

Public: Michael Berkshire, Malynda Lucy, G. Morehead, Ester Murphy, and Mr. Huddleston.

Media: Carla Knapp, Pharos Tribune, and Megan Samuels, WSAL.

Minutes from June 20, 2007 accepted as presented on a vote of 2-0.

Claims of \$597,804.74; approved as presented.

Approval of **Electrician License** was granted to: Robert C. Quillen, Galveston, IN.

Old Business: -0-

New Business:

- ❖ Code Enforcer Officer Hileman delivered her weekly report. The following address (es) is/are recommended for Clean up, to the Logansport Street Department for cleanup at a rate of \$250.00 per hour plus a \$50.00 Administration and \$50.00 fine: 820 North St., Ruth Brock; 930 Pink St., Jeffery Dillon; and 621 Shultz St., Patricia Beckman. The recommendation(s) and entire report is accepted on a vote of 2-0.
- ❖ Building Commissioner Hostetler presented his weekly report. His department has collected \$345.00 in various fees during the past week. Certified notices were issued to Dean Brum, 719 W. Miami Ave.; Jackie G & Pamela J. Hight, 627 North St.; and Richard A. Looker, 631 North St. They are to appear before the Board of Public Works and Safety on July 18, 2007. This report was accepted as presented on a vote of 2-0.
- ❖ **Dumpster request** was granted to:
 1. Toni Gebhardt, 815 Helm Street from June 27th until July 11th. for the purpose of cleaning trash from home and garage.
 2. Holly L. Parmeter, 423 Barron Street from June 28th until July 12th for the purpose of collecting roof materials.
- ❖ Request for a waiver from the Noise Ordinance and a proposed traffic plan for the 4th of July festivities at Fairview Park was received from Jan Fawley, Park Administrator; was granted on a vote of 2-0. Centennial Wireless is hosting the fireworks for the 4th of July festival. Mayor Fincher offered thanks to Gene Powlen for leading the way in this venture. Dale Turnpaugh and crew will handle traffic control. Mayor Fincher asked that traffic directors wear reflective vests.

The **Mayor's Cup Award** was given to Scoops Ice Cream; the cup is awarded to those who go the "extra mile" for the community. This family brought and tore down the building next to their business on 18th Street. They then turned that empty space into a pleasant sitting area. It has made a huge improvement to that location.

Board Member Comments:

Mayor Fincher offered condolences to the family of Stan Forker on his recent unexpected death. "Stan was a great service provider to the community by directing REACT. He will be missed."

Public Comment:

- ❖ Ester Murphy, 430 Tanguy St., voiced deep concern about the property located at 437 Burlington, owned by Patricia Beckman. Ms. Murphy complained that the property is more like a junk yard.
- ❖ Gene Morehead, 324 Cole St., said people going through his neighborhood travel too fast, especially on Tipton. He sits in his yard and uses a radar gun to calculate the speed. Mr. Morehead said some people toot their horns at him for as much as three blocks. He'd like something done about the situation.
- ❖ Malynda Lucy, 436 Tanguy St., also voiced complaints of properties owned by landlords that are not cared for; rented to people who do not care for the properties either. Ms. Lucy asked about regulations for animals in the city and how are those regulations enforced.
- ❖ Glen Huddleston, 431 Burlington Ave., complained about trucks "Jake Breaking" in his neighborhood and causing a disturbance. He suggested that a sign be put up notifying truckers that using their air breaks is against the law.

Mayor Fincher listened to all the concerns and will notify street and police departments to monitor the described situations. "Jake Breaking" signs have been placed at the entrances of the city but will check on the Burlington Ave. sign. Mayor Fincher thanked everyone for coming to the Board of Public Works and Safety will their concerns and he will do his best to correct those things wherever possible.

There being no other business before The Board of Public Works and Safety.

****Due to the 4th of July falling on a Wednesday, next weeks' meeting will be held on July 5th.****

Adjournment: 5:40 p.m.

Ruth Ellen Bland, IAMC/CMC
Clerk Treasurer

Michael Fincher
Mayor of Logansport

