

Minutes February 2, 2012

Board of Public Works and Safety

The Board of Public Works and Safety met for a regular meeting, Thursday, February 2, 2012, at 9:00 a.m., in the City Chambers, 3rd floor, City Building, Logansport, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ted Franklin.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Roll Call: Those present were Mayor Franklin, Chris Armstrong and Ron Miller.

Others present: Mark Strong, Fire Chief; Dan Williams, Superintendent of Public Works, Mike Neher, Police Chief; Acting Building Commissioner, Deb O'Connor, and Don Tribbett, City Attorney. Also present were Gary Fox, Logansport City Council; George Franklin, Code Enforcement Officer; and Mike Clark, Police Department.

Media: Jason Rodriguez and Bob Ehle

Public:

Minutes from January 26, 2012, were approved on a Motion by Ron Miller, seconded by Chris Armstrong. Motion carried 3-0.

Claims of \$301,845.48 were approved (included in the claims was the amount of \$104.97 which was a previous claim under consideration). Ron Miller made a motion to approve such claims, Chris Armstrong seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Approval of Licenses: -0-

Change to the Agenda:

Old Business: -0-

New Business: Bryan Hyder-Animal Control Officer appeared before the Board. Brian indicated that he was given the resignation of his current part time officer. That spot now needs to be filled. Brian also indicated that he had a possible medical condition that could interfere with his own work schedule.

Mayor Franklin thanked Bryan for making the Board aware of his situation.

Acting Building Commissioner, Deb O'Connor informed the board that she had four building inspections, one of which was commercial, two building permits, one residential and one commercial.

Deb further indicated that she and George Franklin, Code Enforcement Officer, had inspected a residence, at the renter's request. Photos and remarks were noted in her report about the property and the report has been placed for record in the Board of Works. She also informed the Board that she has requested that the property owner be present at the February 16 meeting.

Ted Franklin made a motion that O'Connor's report be approved as presented. Ron Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Superintendent of Public Works, Dan Williams, presented written reports for the Cemetery and the Street Department. Discussion followed with Williams reporting that he is now starting to dump the trash container at the Library at least three times a week and all trash containers down town had been dumped. Williams went on to explain that the "Mail Box Fixing" he had done was mainly caused by snow plows. Mayor Franklin praised Williams for the work his staff had done to put the Code Enforcement Officer's truck back into working condition which saved the city several dollars. The "Lexington clean up" was largely for the pick up of building materials, rocks, limbs, etc. which had become an eyesore to the neighbors. Ron Miller made a motion to accept Williams' reports. Chris Armstrong seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Police Chief, Mike Neher, reported to the Board about the "Waiver of Claims". The claim is necessary because college students request "Ride Alongs" so they can get credit for some college courses. The City Attorney prepared the "Waiver of Claims" form which seemed to meet all the needs. The form is for students only. Chris Armstrong made a motion to approve, Ron Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Pam Leeman, "Regions" representative, was then requested to appear before the Board. She indicated from an insurance standpoint...the insurance company would need to look at the exposure the students would have, etc. Chief Neher was requested by Mayor Franklin not to start the program until the insurance company had also approved the waiver.

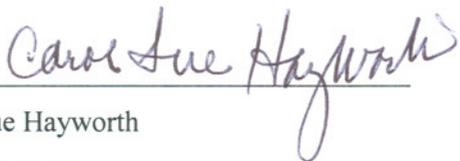
Fire Chief, Mark Strong, had nothing to report. Things were going well.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS: None

VISITOR COMMENTS: Ron Denny appeared before the Board to request the closing of a portion of a street. He wants to cut down a tree at 916-19th Street today with the approval of the Board. Mayor Franklin and the Board concurred that Denny the police, fire department, sherriff, ambulance service as to the time this would need to happen and how long the process would take. Denny was agreeable to that request.

There being no further business on a motion by Chris Armstrong and seconded by Ron Miller. Motion passed 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT: 9:17 AM



Carol Sue Hayworth

Clerk/Treasurer

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Ted Franklin

Mayor of Logansport