

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MISHAWAKA
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY/UTILITY BOARD
June 5, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety/Utility Board was called to order by President Gary West at 10:01 a.m. All members were present except Mr. Watson. Mr. Prince moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of May 29, 2012, and accept them as circulated. Mr. West seconded; motion carried.

Bid Openings:

There were no bid openings.

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor Wood announced a staff meeting would follow today's Board meeting.

Department Head Reports:

Fire Chief Dale Freeman announced that Joshua Jester and Benjamin Higgins had successfully completed the written Firefighters Aptitude Examination, the Physical Agility Test administered by the Mishawaka Firefighter Pension Board as well as the medical and psychological testing required for becoming a member of the Mishawaka Fire Department. He also recommended that they be approved for probationary employment effective June 5, 2012. Mr. Prince moved that Joshua Jester and Benjamin Higgins be approved for probationary employment effective June 5, 2012. Mr. West seconded; motion carried.

Mayor Wood swore in Joshua Jester and Benjamin Higgins as Probationary Firefighters for the Mishawaka Fire Department effective June 5, 2012.

Police Chief Ken Witkowski said it was with pride that he announces Cpl. Robert Sieradzki as the "Officer of the First Quarter." Chief Witkowski said as a result of Cpl. Sieradzki's good instincts and perceptiveness a criminal was quickly found and apprehended, taking him off the streets and preventing him from committing further crimes.

Building Commissioner Brock Hundt presented the Building Department statistics for the month of May, 2012. He said estimated construction costs for May were just under \$3.5 million for a year to date total of approximately \$14 million vs. \$9.3 million last year at this time.

Park Superintendant Terry Zeller submitted a request to trim three (3) trees in the right of way at 3521 Grape Road. The trees have been analyzed and recommended for trimming by the Park Department Landscaper. Mr. Prince moved to approve as presented. Mr. West seconded; motion carried.

Mr. Zeller submitted a request to trim one (1) tree in the right of way at 618 Indiana Ave. The tree has been analyzed and recommended for trimming by the Park Department Landscaper. Mr. Prince moved to approve as presented. Mr. West seconded; motion carried.

Engineering Director Gary West, on behalf of Wastewater Division Manager Karl Kopec, presented a Professional Service Agreement with Lawson-Fisher Associates for design of upgrades to Carriage Lane and Winding Brook lift stations for a lump sum amount of \$89,640.00, and moved for its approval. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Mr. West, on behalf of Street Commissioner Mike Watson, requested the Board extend the Summer Street Paving Program for 2012 with Rieth-Riley Construction, Inc., originally awarded in June, 2010, and moved for its approval.

Mr. West presented Supplemental Agreement No. 2 from DLZ for Church/Main Connector design services for a decrease of \$68,576.00 for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$640,234.00, and moved for its approval. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Mr. West requested the Board approval Final Inspection and Acceptance for Contract T-33433 Dragoon and Logan Improvements, and moved for its approval. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

Approval of Claims:

There were no claims to approve.

Approval of SRF Pay Applications:

Mr. West moved to approve SRF - Disbursement Request #63 from Lawson-Fisher Associates for engineering services for Juday Creek Forcemain Rehab in the amount of \$414.00. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

New Business:

Mr. West moved to approve a request to close Hummel Street between Stickler and Brook on Saturday, July 7, 2012 from noon to 10:00 p.m. for a block party subject to the standard conditions regarding public safety and noise control. Mr. Prince seconded; motion carried.

A request for Waiver of Noise Ordinance from Office Lounge at 1813 E. 12th Street for a "Summer Fling" to be held June 16, 2012, from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. was taken under advisement.

Unfinished Business:

There being no additional business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:24 a.m.

Gary West - President of the Board of
Public Works and Safety/Utility Board

Kari Myers - Clerk of the Board of
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