

City of West Lafayette, Indiana
Board of Public Works and Safety
MINUTES

FEBRUARY 8, 2010
8:30 a.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

Members present were Sana G. Booker, Bradley W. Marley, Jonathan C. Speaker, Elizabeth M. Stull, and Mayor John R. Dennis, who presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. February 1, 2010, Meeting

Ms. Stull moved to accept the minutes of the February 1, 2010, Board of Works meeting. Mr. Marley seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

2. OLD BUSINESS

a. Contract: Lafayette Crisis Center – Services for 2010 – \$8,000 – Clerk- Treasurer

Mayor Dennis stated that the approval of the contract with the Lafayette Crisis Center was tabled last week, in order that a representative of the Crisis Center attend to explain its operations. Representing the Lafayette Crisis Center were Jane McCann, Executive Director, and board members Kurt Burnett and David Rest. Ms. McCann outlined the services of the Crisis Center which serves Tippecanoe, White and Benton Counties. She responded to questions from Mayor Dennis and Board members regarding how services provided to West Lafayette residents are identified, programs, and sources of funding. Ms. McCann explained that the County and the City of Lafayette had ended their support for the Crises Center 6 to 7 years ago, and the City of West Lafayette is their sole local governmental funding. Mayor Dennis and Mr. Speaker commented on the importance of the service provided by the Crisis Center. Ms. Booker concurred and stated that the good works of the organization need to be known.

Mr. Speaker moved that the request be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Change Order No. 4: INDOT/James H. Drew Corporation – Safe Routes to School Project – Waiver of Liquidated Damages – Engineering

City Engineer Buck presented the final change order for the Safe Routes to School Project and asked for the approval of the document, which waives liquidated damages for the three additional days required to remove the construction signs. There is no money involved in this change order.

Ms. Stull moved that the request be approved. Ms. Booker seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

b. Change Order No. 5: INDOT/Milestone Contractors LP – Sycamore Lane Traffic Calming Project – \$1,499.88 – Engineering

City Engineer Buck presented the change order for \$1,499.88, which was necessary due to sump pump lines that had to be connected properly. The original contract was for

\$687,323.20; with this and the earlier change orders, the new contract amount is \$698,022.88.

Mr. Speaker moved that the request be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.

c. United Consulting Report – Wastewater Capacity Study – WWTU

Wastewater Utility Director Henderson introduced Keith Bryant, Paul Glotzbach, and Kelly LaValley of United Consulting. Their firm has been retained to provide a 20-year capacity analysis of the Wastewater Utility.

Mr. Glotzbach stated that he is giving an overview of the findings to date on their evaluation of the current operations of the Wastewater Treatment Utility plant, the identification of future needs, and the 20-year plan. In 2006, IDEM issued a courtesy notification that the City's plant had reached 90% capacity. United Consulting's review of the data confirms that that is the case, but that the plant is operating well today and meeting all of its permits limits. It still has some available capacity for future growth. However, it is time to plan for the future, as growth is planned for the Research Park and in the area annexed in 2006. The completion of the Western Interceptor and the relocation of US231 also impact future development to the west of the City. Additionally, there is development and redevelopment in the existing City that needs to be considered. The 20-year plan will take all these into account. The planning is in two phases, the first of which is complete. The first phase was an evaluation of the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant, operational data, review of the existing service area, identification of planned future development, and evaluation of future population projections. Historically, growth rates have been 1%-1.5% in this area; for purposes of the study, 2% growth was projected. So there is adequate time to plan for expanding capacity. Over the next 20 years, capacity would need to be expanded from an average daily flow of 9 million gallons per day to 12.5 million gallons per day. Phase one also looked at limitations within the existing Wastewater Treatment Plan to handle those future flows. Phase two will include an evaluation of alternatives to handle the projected flows. These might include expansion of existing processes, but will also include other types of treatment that may operate more efficiently or require less land space. There will be consideration for replacement of existing equipment, preliminary layout of the facility, and phased implementation. The output of phase two will be a preliminary engineering report, which will provide direction to the City, to prepare for future growth.

Mayor Dennis thanked Wastewater Utility Director Henderson and Mr. Glotzbach for their work which helps the City plan.

d. Claims

- i. AP Docket \$ 5,417.58
- ii. AP Docket 135,078.28

Mr. Marley moved that the claims be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

Questions raised about individual claims by the Board were answered by department heads and Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes.

The motion was adopted.

e. Informational Items

i. City Engineer Buck announced a public hearing on the Yeager Road Project to be held today from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

ii. Wastewater Utility Director Henderson a new heating unit has been installed in the bar screening building. This is a significant expense.

iii. Director of Development Poole reported that on February 18 at 6:00 p.m., the City's Strategic Plan will be presented at the West Lafayette Public Library.

iv. Foreman/Equipment Operator VanMeter reported that the Street Department is gearing up for another snowstorm.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Marley moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ms. Stull seconded the motion, and Mayor Dennis adjourned the meeting.