

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

April 3, 2012
8:30 a.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

Members present were Sana G. Booker, Bradley W. Marley, and Elizabeth Stull. Jonathon C. Speaker was absent. Mayor Dennis presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. March 27, 2012, Meeting

Ms. Stull moved to accept the minutes of the March 27, 2012, Board of Works meeting. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Bid Opening: Soldiers Home Lift Station – WWTU

Wastewater Utility Director Henderson explained the bids to be opened were for work to provide improvements to the Soldiers Home Lift Station. This lift station was installed in 1976, and in need of upgrading.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes read the bids aloud:

Company	Amount
Graves Plumbing Company, Inc	\$636,636.00
Bowen Engineering Corporation	\$683,740.00
Maddox Industrial Contractors	\$653,000.00
Thieneman Construction, Inc.	\$674,900.00

Mayor Dennis asked Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes if she is confident that all bids were received timely and sealed. Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes confirmed all bids were so received.

Mr. Marley moved that the bids be taken under advisement. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

Ms. Booker asked Wastewater Utility Director Henderson if he had worked with any of these companies in the past. Mr. Henderson responded that he had worked with Bowen Engineering Corporation and Maddox Industrial Contractors.

b. Bid Opening: 2012 Street Resurfacing Project – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck explained the bids were for annual street resurfacing work to be done throughout the City.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes read the bids aloud:

Company	Amount
Rieth-Riley Construction Company, Inc	\$636,408.00
Milestone Contractors, L.P.	\$665,539.00

Mayor Dennis asked Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes if all bids were received timely and sealed. Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes confirmed all bids were so received.

Mr. Marley moved that the bids be taken under advisement. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Bid Opening: 2012 CDBG Sidewalk Replacement Project – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck explained that the bids were to replace sidewalks on Connolly and DeHart Streets in West Lafayette between Salisbury Street and Rose Street and to do a small section of sidewalk work at Country Villa Apartments on North Yeager Road.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes read the bids aloud:

Company	Amount
Milestone Contractors, L.P.	\$415,807.00
Atlas Excavating, Inc	\$377,624.00
Artistic Construction Company, Inc	\$295,355.00
Rieth-Riley Construction Company, Inc	\$368,833.00
Fairfield Contractors, Inc	\$329,936.00

Mayor Dennis asked Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes if all bids were received timely and sealed. Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes confirmed all bids were so received.

Ms. Stull moved that the bids be taken under advisement. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Quote Opening: Northwestern Gateway Landscaping Project – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck stated the quotes were for the Northwestern Gateway Landscaping Project.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes reported only one quote was received for this project. She read the quote aloud:

Company	Amount
GardenArt	\$52,384.00

Mayor Dennis asked Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes if the quote was received timely and sealed. Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes confirmed the quote was so received.

Ms. Booker moved that the quote be taken under advisement. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

e. Quote Opening: KCB Water Quality Improvement, Phase 2 – Engineering

Public Works Director Buck explained these quotes were for landscaping work to be done in conjunction with the drainage pond on Northwestern Avenue.

Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes read the quotes aloud:

Company	Amount
Cardno JF New	\$57,198.94
Williams Creek Management Corp	\$69,404.95
Roudebush Grading, Inc.	\$49,167.25

Mayor Dennis asked Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes if all quotes were received timely and sealed. Clerk-Treasurer Rhodes confirmed all quotes were so received.

Ms. Stull moved that the quotes be taken under advisement. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

f. Agreement: Donation of Artwork – Development

Beverly Shaw (Marketing and Grants Administrator) introduced Craig Martin, the Chair of the Public Art Advisory Group. Mr. Martin requested approval of the agreement for donation of a sculpture by Jason Tennenhouse, manager of Greyhouse Coffee & Supply Co. Mr. Tennenhouse commissioned the sculpture, to be installed in a concrete planter in front of Greyhouse Coffee. The sculpture is called "Point of Departure," and is designed and fabricated by a local artist named Ben Sutter. Ben Sutter recently installed a similar piece on the Courthouse Square in Lafayette. The artist describes the sculpture as an allegory for a point of departure from our scheduled path in life, leading in an entirely different direction, in response to challenges and unexpected events. The sculpture is intended to be three dimensional and approximately 7 feet tall. It will be mounted in the planter and made of quarter inch steel and will have a rusty patina. Mr. Martin passed around a small model of the intended sculpture. He further explained that the materials for the sculpture are being donated by Oscar Winski and Company. The Public Art Advisory Group considers the sculpture to be a worthy addition to the City's public art collection. They consider the theme and the design of the sculpture to be a positive reference for both members of the community and Purdue University students and faculty who frequent this location in the Village. Installation of the structure will be performed by Purdue University Construction Engineering Management students, under the supervision of Brandon Fultz. The installation of the sculpture will be completed

between finals and graduation ceremonies at Purdue University. Legal counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement. The City will be paying all installation costs.

Ms. Stull moved that the agreement between C.H. Red, Inc. and the City for the donation of the sculpture be approved. Mr. Marley seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

g. Claims

i.	AP Docket	\$255,671.17
ii.	AP Docket	\$11,499.04
iii.	AP Docket	\$12.00
v.	PR Docket	\$103,916.85

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

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

The motion was adopted.

h. Informational Items

- i. Project Payment List – WWTU
There were no comments.
- ii. Legal Budget & Expense – Clerk-Treasurer
There were no comments.

i. Other Items

- i. Public Works Director Buck announced that there were several construction projects beginning to affect traffic flow around the City:
 - a) Yeager Road – Storm sewers are being installed and pavement will be widened. Two lanes will remain open until summer when traffic will be restricted to one lane for 45 days, sometime between May 15th and August 15th. Work on the entire project will wrap up in November.
 - b) Cumberland Avenue – The road is closed as of 9:00 a.m. this morning, April 3, and will remain closed through the spring. Work on various parts of the road will continue with the construction of two roundabouts, drain issues addressed, repaving and re-landscaping, all to be completed before the start of football season at the West Lafayette Athletic Complex on Cumberland Avenue.
 - c) 52 Bypass – INDOT construction work in Lafayette has already begun to cause traffic issues as lanes are restricted and rerouted. The project is a continuation of work that was being done last summer.
 - d) State Street – Construction and repaving and handicap ramp work will be done from North River Road to Airport Road this summer from May 16th to August 16th.
 - e) Harrison Street – Construction work will be wrapping up later this month.
 - f) Lindberg Road – US 231 Corridor construction work will affect Lindberg Road in the form of a closure between McCormick and Klondike Roads.
 - g) Northwestern Avenue - Faith West Project
 - h) Grant Street - Grant Street Project

- i) State Street - University Terrace Project vertical work is completed and they plan to have sidewalk and other work completed in the next few weeks to make way for the other street work to be done on State Street.

Director Buck noted that Engineering Assistant Ben Anderson has dubbed the construction season as April Ambitions.

Mr. Marley inquired about the drainage ditch problem at Cumberland on the west side of the West Lafayette High School Football Field. Director Buck explained the problem was created because the ditch had not been maintained for years. It had trash and debris collecting in it and therefore was collecting water and creating a mosquito breeding ground. The ditch will be refurbished and cleared as part of the construction project. The work should also improve drainage from the Plaza Park neighborhood.

Mayor Dennis noted that while all the concurrent construction projects appear to seem inconvenient, they will all result in positive change for our City. Mayor Dennis asked Public Works Director Buck to draw up a map of the anticipated construction areas.

Police Chief Dombkowski added that the West Lafayette Police Department will be very active and present in the various construction zones. He noted that a construction worker was hit and severely injured last week while working on the 52 Bypass INDOT construction project in Lafayette, at the intersection of Duncan Road. The police will be diligent in monitoring the construction zones.

- ii. Police Chief Dombkowski reported that on Saturday, April 28, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. there will be a Shredding event in the City Hall upper parking lot where citizens may bring documents to be shredded.

- iii. Council President Hunt announced that Ordinance No. 09-12 to rezone for the Faith West Project passed last night at the Common Council meeting with great positive response from the citizens in attendance. Ordinance No. 07-12, to increase parking fines in West Lafayette, also passed.

- iv. Fire Chief Heath thanked Public Works Director Buck for keeping the Fire Department aware of all the various construction projects going on around the City so that the firefighters are aware and prepared.

Chief Heath also reported that the West Lafayette Fire Department had been active participants in Autism Awareness Month and had been working with Cornerstone Autism Center in West Lafayette to make the children there less afraid and more familiar with emergency personnel and uniforms. The Fire Department has also adopted an Autism Awareness fire helmet for the month, which he displayed. Various firefighters within the department will take turns wearing the helmet. It sports the jigsaw puzzle, a representative symbol for autism.

3. ADJOURNMENT

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