

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

OCTOBER 29, 2013
8:30 a.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

Members present were Sana G. Booker, Shawn R. Little, Bradley W. Marley, and Jonathan C. Speaker. Mayor Dennis presided.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. October 22, 2013, Meeting

Mr. Marley moved to accept the minutes of the October 22, 2013, Board of Works meeting. Ms. Little seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Change Order No. 111: US 231/Western Interceptor – INDOT – WWTU

WWTU Director Henderson requested approval of Change Order No. 111 with INDOT for the US 231/Western Interceptor. This is to correct an oversight on asphalt-related charges for the trail with an add of \$3,332.91. He stated that Public Works Director Buck assured that this was a reasonable charge. It is not an additional invoice; it was handled within the project.

Ms. Little moved that Change Order No. 111 for the US 231/Western Interceptor project with INDOT be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

b. Bid Notice and Specifications: Salisbury Street Safety Improvements, Phase 3 – Engineering

Director Buck requested approval of the plans, specifications, and the bid notice for the Salisbury Street Safety Improvements, Phase 3 project. He explained that this project runs from Rainbow Drive north to US 52. This includes safety improvements to the sidewalks and ramps in compliance with the ADA. The traffic signal at Navajo Street will be replaced and the intersection will be redone. The bid notice will be advertised November 1 and 8. Bids will be due and opened on November 19, 2013, at 8:30 a.m. He stated that as part of this project we are also incorporating the entire corridor of Salisbury Street, so the signals at Fowler Avenue, Wiggins Street, Grant Street, Lindberg Road, and eventually Cumberland Avenue and Kalberer Road will be interconnected and communicate with each other. As an advanced traffic management system is developed, that corridor will connect to the other corridors that we will eventually have. This is a first step toward allowing the intersections on Salisbury Street to coordinate during peak times and avoid backups.

Mayor Dennis stated that many people make the presumption that we have connectivity to the lights at this time, but we do not. Each signal is individually timed, and we cannot

predict the volume of traffic flow and make every intersection efficient. He stated that this is a great first step to be in a position to regulate that.

Director Buck explained that this is a similar system to what Lafayette has developed on several corridors. Our new signal at Lindberg Road and Northwestern Avenue has this type of control and connectivity, so it is ready to go when we are able to do Northwestern.

Mr. Marley moved that Salisbury Street Safety Improvements, Phase 3 bid notice and specifications be approved. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Warranty Deed: Salisbury Street Safety Improvements, Phase 3 – Parcel 4 – Engineering

Director Buck stated that as part of the Phase 3 project, we have several Right of Way parcels that we are acquiring and in the process of appraising. This one is owned by the City at the site of Fire Station No. 2. This warranty deed would dedicate the parcel to Right of Way for the City.

Ms. Little moved that the Warranty Deed for the Salisbury Street Safety Improvements, Phase 3 project be approved. Mr. Marley seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Agreement: Shop Wall Repair – Tri-Tech Construction – Street

Traffic Technician Steele requested approval of an agreement with Tri-Tech Construction to repair a northwest wall which has accumulated damage from the salt trucks.

Mr. Marley moved that the agreement with Tri-Tech Construction be approved. Ms. Little seconded the motion.

Ms. Booker asked how there can be a \$20,000 difference in the quotes received on this project.

Mr. Steele stated that he cannot answer that, but they are a reputable company. He noted that they have the same contract as everybody else.

City Attorney Burns stated that the contract has the specific tasks contained within it, which ensures that the company knows what they have to complete within that allotted amount.

Mayor Dennis commented that when a bid is so different from all of the others, you must stay on top of the project to make sure the difference is not made up with change orders.

City Attorney Burns noted that this is also an acceptance of the quote from Tri-Tech Construction.

The motion was adopted.

e. Agreement: Radio Services – Motorola Solutions – Police

Police Chief Dombkowski requested approval of the annual agreement with Motorola Solutions for servicing both the portable and mobile radios in the amount of \$3,345.48, which is approximately \$100.00 more than the 2013 agreement.

Mr. Speaker moved that the agreement with Motorola Solutions be approved. Mr. Marley seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

f. Agreement: Co-Location Services – Indiana Computer Systems, LLC – IT

IT Director Newman requested approval of Co-Location Services with Indiana Computer Systems, LLC. He explained that this is a similar contract that we already have with Purdue. This is to house our data center in Freehafer Hall at Purdue as the one we have in the Police Department is at capacity. The contract amount is \$4,500 annually and is in effect until October 30, 2015.

Ms. Little moved that the agreement with Indiana Computer Systems, LLC be approved. Mr. Marley seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

g. Claims

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| i. | AP Docket | \$164,427.40 |
| ii. | AP Docket | \$764.90 |

Mr. Marley moved that the claims be approved. Mr. Speaker seconded the motion.

A question raised about an individual claim by the Board was answered by City Attorney Burns.

The motion was adopted.

h. Informational Items

i. Legal Budget & Expenses – Clerk-Treasurer

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

i. Other Items

► Mayor Dennis stated that there are some scruffy faces in the room, including his own. He explained that the month of November has been named Movember, which is a fundraising philosophy for prostate cancer awareness and prevention.

Police Sergeant Flynn stated that he participated in Kilted to Kick Cancer in September, which is also about prostate awareness. He noted that one in six men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer, and it is more likely at an older age. He explained with Movember the idea is to grow a mustache or beard and participants contribute money for the cause.

Mayor Dennis stated that the different departments have different appearance standards, and the Fire Department has some restrictions due to the breathing apparatus they use, but he is asking for participation.

- ▶ Fire Chief Heath reported that Sunday night is when the clocks are changed back, and the Fire Department encourages everyone to change the batteries in smoke detectors. We have received a grant to provide batteries which are available in City Hall.
- ▶ Director Buck reported that the street lights are going up on Northwestern Avenue, and should be turned on before the weekend.
- ▶ Councilor Hunt stated that as a nurse, she has seen many people with breast cancer and also with prostate cancer. Both diseases are difficult as are the treatment choices, so she appreciates the activities to raise awareness. She reported that we have a Council meeting next Monday, November 4, and Pre-Council this Thursday. Due to a time-frame requirement after the public hearing, there is a Special Council meeting on November 7 to vote on the annexation and on the memorandum of understanding with Purdue.
- ▶ Mr. Marley reviewed upcoming West Lafayette Community School Corporation athletic events.

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.