

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

March 27, 2012  
8:30 a.m.  
City Hall Council Chambers

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. March 20, 2012, Meeting

Mr. Speaker moved to accept the minutes of the March 20, 2012, Board of Works meeting. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Proclamation: Graduate Student Appreciation Week – Mayor

Mayor Dennis read aloud the Graduate Student Appreciation Week Proclamation. Within the document he expressed appreciation for the graduate students we have living and studying within our community, and the contributions they make in research and leadership. He noted that there are over 7,500 professional and graduate students in West Lafayette.

b. Contract: Wessler Engineering – Wet-Weather Facility Improvements – WWTU

Wastewater Utility Director Henderson requested approval of the contract with Wessler Engineering for \$14,200. He explained that as part of the long-term critical plan for combined sewer overflow, approved by IDEM (Indiana Department of Environmental Management), the first important step is to make some short-term improvements. He would like to use recommendations from Wessler Engineering to facilitate those improvements.

Mayor Dennis asked for a very brief description of what the wet-weather facility accomplishes. Director Henderson explained the facility was installed in 2003. During wet weather, when there are flows of a combination of sewer water and storm water, which exceed the capacity of the plant, flow can be diverted into the wet-weather treatment facility for primary treatment and settling of solids prior to flow into the Wabash River.

Mr. Speaker moved that the contract be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

c. Change Order No. 2: Atlas Excavating – Western Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Div. V - WWTU

Wastewater Utility Director Henderson requested approval of Change Order No. 2 with Atlas Excavating. He explained the change order was an extension of time for final completion to May 1, 2012. Part of the work to be completed is to apply a topcoat on Windsor Drive. Other final grading and seeding issues need to be addressed as well. The Wastewater Utility is working together with the City Engineering Department to bring Atlas Excavating in to complete their work so that other contractors can come in to do their work.

Mayor Dennis asked for confirmation that there was no cost involved in the contract extension, and Director Henderson confirmed there was not.

Ms. Stull moved that Change Order No. 2 be approved as requested by Wastewater Utility Director Henderson. Ms. Booker seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

d. Request for Quotes: 2012 Traffic Paint – Street

Street Commissioner Downey requested approval of quotes for traffic paint used annually to refurbish and freshen pedestrian and traffic crossings within the City. The quotes will be opened at the Board of Works Meeting at 8:30 a.m. on April 10, 2012.

Mayor Dennis inquired as to whether the Street Department still inserts glass beads in the paint. Commissioner Downey confirmed that the department does use glass beads, but because a large enough quantity was purchased last year, there is no need to purchase any this year.

Mr. Speaker moved that the request for quotes be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

e. Request for Quotes: 2012 1500 2 WD Pick-Up Truck – Street

Street Commissioner Downey requested approval of quotes for a 2012 1500 2 WD Pick-Up Truck. The quotes will be opened at the Board of Works Meeting at 8:30 a.m. on April 17, 2012. He noted that he has three trucks within the department which need to be replaced, but he is choosing to only replace one, the 2003 truck with a cab and a half, because the department really had no use for it.

Mr. Speaker inquired as to why he is replacing a 4 WD truck with a 2 WD truck, and Commissioner Downey responded he really doesn't have need for a 4 WD truck, as they have others within the department, and the 2 WD truck gets better gas mileage.

Ms. Booker moved that the request for quotes be approved. Ms. Stull seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

f. Claims

i.	AP Docket	\$392,192.22
ii.	AP Docket	\$92,557.77
iii.	AP Docket	\$37,111.00
iv.	AP Docket	\$34,906.72
v.	PR Docket	\$327,895.61

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

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

The motion was adopted.

g. Informational Items

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

h. Other Items

i. Parks Superintendent Payne and Mayor Dennis noted that the various recreational fields are already full of people playing sports. The fields are very wet. It will be a busy season.

ii. Mayor Dennis thanked Information Technology Manager Newman for his help with an article published the prior day.

iii. Council President Hunt reminded everyone of the Public Forum on Redistricting in Council Chambers from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on March 27, 2012. She also reminded everyone that Pre-Council Meeting is on Thursday, March 29, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Conference Room and Common Council Meeting is on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 6:30 p.m., in Council Chambers.

Mayor Dennis said he was hoping to have the Mayor's Youth Council at the Pre-Council Meeting to have a conversation about the City flag they have been designing.

iv. President Hunt expressed her appreciation to the Clerk-Treasurer's Office for their work in preparing Council and Board of Works documents accessible by iPad.

3. ADJOURNMENT

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