

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

May 3, 2016
8:30 a.m.

Morton Community Center
Multi-Purpose Room

Members present were Bradley L. Cohen, Brooke E. Folkers, Jason D. Huber, and Thomas J. Kent. Clerk Sana G. Booker presided.

1. OATH OF OFFICE

a. Oath of Office: Board of Works Member – Jason D. Huber – Mayor

Mayor John Dennis administered the oath of office to new Board of Works member, Jason D. Huber. He is taking the place of Jonathan C. Speaker.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. April 26, 2016 Meeting

Ms. Folkers moved to accept the minutes of the April 26, 2016, Board of Works meeting. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

3. NEW BUSINESS

a. Agreement: 2016 Concrete Road Repair – Fairfield Contractors, Inc. – Engineering

Engineering Assistant Garrison requested approval of the 2016 Concrete Road Repair Agreement with Fairfield Contractors, Inc. Mr. Garrison explained this is to repair concrete roadways in the community off of Soldiers Home Road, which includes Willow Drive, Sharon Road, and Myrtle Drive.

Ms. Folkers moved that the agreement with Fairfield Contractors, Inc. be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

The motion was adopted.

b. Task Order No. 6: Small Drainage Correction Projects – Wessler Engineering, Inc. – Engineering

Assistant City Engineer Susong requested approval for Task Order No. 6 for the Small Drainage Correction Projects with Wessler Engineering, Inc. Mr. Susong explained there will be four selected projects with drainage issues to evaluate and scope. He stated that Wessler has been selected because they have done these type of projects in other communities around Indiana.

Mr. Cohen moved that Task Order No. 6 with Wessler Engineering, Inc. be approved. Mr. Kent seconded the motion.

Ms. Folkers asked for more details as to what defined a small drainage issue.

Mr. Susong responded by stating that they are a group of properties that have low lying areas where the water does not physically have an outlet. In these areas a storm inlet

should have been installed, or the land graded to slope where the water would flow out to the street to be collected into storm sewers.

Ms. Folkers asked if this project was something the City did yearly or if it was new.

Mr. Susong responded this was a new project this year. He explained due to the stormwater fees initiated in 2014, the City is now taking these corrective actions while moving forward with those fees.

The motion was adopted.

c. Claims

i.	AP Docket	\$818,699.14
ii.	AP Docket	\$260,607.09
iii.	AP Docket	\$1,038.93
iv.	PR Docket	\$680,582.99

Mr. Cohen moved that the claims be approved. Ms. Folkers seconded the motion.

There were no questions or comments about the claims.

The motion was adopted.

d. Informational Items

i. Legal Budget & Expenses – Controller

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

ii. Park Board Dockets

There were no questions or comments about the listing.

e. Other Items

► Engineering Assistant Garrison stated it could not have been predicted last week that the Sagamore Parkway Project would have had the Northwestern Overpass closed yesterday. The overpass will also be closed one day this week, and later this month for resurfacing. Happy Hollow Road is still moving along well. Stormwater is getting close to being finished, and the cut wall has now been completed. The CSO Relief Interceptor Project is continuing to move along. The majority of the underground utilities have been completed, and there have not been any known issues. The new projected date to switch over to Phase II is now May 27, 2016. As a reminder, Phase II will open State Street back up, and close River Road through the intersection of Williams Street and Tapawingo Drive. The State project for the Wabash River Bridge has begun. They are beginning to construct the crossover at one end of the bridge. There have been issues now that traffic is down to one lane through Sagamore Parkway. INDOT will be closing River Road in mid-June, in order to deconstruct the bridge overhead. Their contract allows them to have it closed for 30 days. The City will be meeting with INDOT tomorrow to discuss how traffic should be routed during this project.

Mr. Cohen expressed his concerns about citizens being able to get around the City with Sagamore Parkway and Happy Hollow both down to one lane. He asked if there is anything that can be done about the timing of these projects.

Mr. Garrison stated that unfortunately there is not a lot we can do about Sagamore Parkway due to it being a State funded project.

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Mr. Cohen asked if placing officers to help direct traffic through intersections during peak times of travel has been considered.

Mr. Garrison stated that was something that could be discussed. He stated that Salisbury Street and Sagamore Parkway is still a State run intersection, so the City will continue to work with them as far as timing of construction is concerned.

▶ Parks Superintendent Fawley stated that the new playground at Cumberland Park was built last Thursday and Friday. However, it is still closed to the public while some finishing details are still being constructed. The playground has been marked off to help the public know it is not accessible at this time.

▶ Director Henderson thanked Fire Chief Heath for arranging the recertification for the employees at the WWTU plant for CPR and AAD training.

▶ Mayor Dennis thanked Jon Speaker for providing his time and effort over the last 6 years, while serving on the Board of Works.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Cohen moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Clerk Booker adjourned the meeting.