

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES
July 18, 2006

Approved at the July 25, 2006, Board of Works meeting.

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of West Lafayette, Indiana met in regular session in the Board of Works Room at City Hall on July 18, 2006, at 11:00 a.m. Present were Janet L. Broyles, Gilbert T. Satterly, and Mayor Mills, who presided.

Information for Board: Streetlights on Tapawingo Drive Shut Off for Part of Dancing in the Streets – Police

Capt. Mike Francis said just one quick item for the Board and City. Dancing in the Streets is coming up July 28. I have a request from the committee and Mr. Gall [Tom Gall, T.J. Gall & Associates]. We're going to shut the street lights down on Tapawingo on our side of the river. This year, they're going to have the laser light show, and at dark to have a view here on the screen. So it's just information. The lights will be shut down along Tapawingo. They're running a circuit breaker there. It'll be a little more complicated on the west side of Tapawingo. They'll have to actually go into junction boxes and turn the switches, but they've got that arranged. Just for your information, that will be occurring.

Mayor Mills said thank you.

Item for Next Week's Board of Works: Contract with Wessler and Associates – WWTU

Public Works Director Downey said I have a contract here that I would like the Board to review. It's just for information at the present time. As you know, we're doing Green Meadows Lift Station, which is out in Green Meadows/Wake Robin area, and part of that we have televised that area and done some cleaning, and trying to locate extra water that's getting into the lines. Of course, we're going to redo that lift station, but we want to get the proper flow, etc. I'm not finding what I want to find, and so Wessler [Wessler and Associates] has proposed a contract to smoke test and to do an engineering evaluation of Wake Robin and Green Meadows, and there's another addition that's connected to that—Apple? No—

City Attorney Bauman said the Orchard.

Public Works Director Downey said the Orchard, I believe. So I'd like for you to review that, and I'll bring it back to you next week.

Information for Board: Soil and Water Conservation Booth at Tippecanoe County Fair – WWTU

Public Works Director Downey said I also have the Soil and Water Conservation, who does part of the educational programs for the Stormwater Phase II, is going to set up a booth for the County Fair. This is in joint cooperation with all the entities that are participating in the Stormwater Permit. They are asking for volunteers to man that booth, to help hand out a survey that will kind of get the public's feel and maybe educate them a little bit during the County Fair. And I was just wondering if anybody was interested in helping the Soil and Water Conservation do that. So I'm presenting it for information to you.

Mayor Mills said this Friday is the first day.

Public Works Director Downey said yes, I know. And I admit, I have not signed up for it, but I intend to.

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SRF Disbursement Request Nos. 1, 2, and 3: Ice Miller LLP, WWTU, and Bingham-McHale – Digester Project [SRF Loan Number CS18240002] – WWTU

Public Works Director Downey said and then the other part, final item, we've closed on the bonds with SRF for the Digester Project, and we have already, because we need to make a draw on that, we've made three draws on that. I gave that to the Board to request the Mayor sign it and put it in the records. \$198,000 which was the original PER that has been reimbursed back to the Wastewater Department, and another one to Ice Miller for \$15,247 for work that they've done on the bond, and Bingham-McHale for \$2,044, again for legal work that they've done for the bond issue.

Ms. Broyles said I move that we approve the SRF Disbursement Requests, there's three of them. The first one in the amount of \$15,247 to Ice Miller, the second one in the amount of \$198,888 to the West Lafayette Wastewater Treatment Utility, and the third in the amount of \$2,044 to Bingham-McHale. Motion was seconded by Mr. Satterly, and the vote was AYE.

Information for Board: *Journal and Courier* Editorial – WWTU

Public Works Director Downey said the only other thing, I point out to you the editorial in the *Journal and Courier*, we talk about how green we will be with the Digester Project, and I hope you catch that information. I think it's a well-written editorial.

Temporary Street Closure Request: Littleton Street - Engineering

City Engineer Buck said I have a couple things, actually. The first is a street closure request for North Littleton Street, the block of Littleton between the dead-end at US 231 and down to East Columbia Street. This is brought by J.R. Kelly Company. They're doing work on the south side, a fraternity. I've reviewed this and passed it along to the Police Department. I don't know if Capt. Francis can speak to it or not, but I forwarded to [Deputy Chief] John Walker, and I don't think that they had any concerns with it. The only concern, as far as emergency vehicles, was that the fire truck could get down to that isolated property then, and they could come down North Street and make it down the alley. The only thing we would ask is that the contractors make sure that the alley stays open, that traffic would be rerouted on, dumpsters don't get rolled out into the way, and that sort of thing. That would suffice. It's going to need to be that way for just regular vehicle access to that property, but other than that, I don't see any problem with this. They've got the signs that would be necessary. They're asking for the closure for next week, from the 24th, which is Monday, through Friday. If you have questions, I'll be happy to answer them. Otherwise, I recommend this for the Board's approval.

Fire Chief Drew said I would note a comment to the contractors. The dumpsters, a lot of times, it will happen in the alleys that the dumpsters will be most of the way into the slots they belong, but they might be a third of the way out, and that would cause us a problem. They need to be all the way in to the designated area.

Mr. Charley Moore [J.R. Kelly Company] said we will do that.

Fire Chief Drew said and then do you know exactly what day you're going to close it?

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Mr. Moore said yes, it will be Monday the 24th. We've blocked off from the 24th to the 28th. We're hoping it's only going to take three days, but just to be safe, we'll have it closed all next week. Maybe starting Monday about 7:00 a.m.

Fire Chief Drew said all right. If you do open it up before the 28th, the Fire Department would appreciate a call to let us know that.

Mr. Moore said okay.

Capt. Francis said they can let our Dispatch know, and they can let you guys know.

Fire Chief Drew said that'd be good.

Ms. Broyles said I move that we approve the Littleton Street closure request. It will be from July 24 through the 28th, shutting down Littleton Street from the intersection of Columbia Street next to the alley connecting North Street with Littleton. Motion was seconded by Mr. Satterly, and the vote was AYE.

Information for Board: Progress on Salisbury Street Safety Improvements Project - Engineering

City Engineer Buck said the other thing, I'd just like to make the announcement that the traffic maintenance issues related to Salisbury Street are flipping sides. Salisbury Street Safety Improvements Project is complete there from the west side from Meridian up to Forest Hill, and the contractor is going to be moving the traffic cones over to the other side of the street, and traffic will be running down the west side. We'll be working on the retaining wall and the sidewalks and curbs down along in front of the school.

City Attorney Bauman said they're not going to be moving them. I think they already have.

City Engineer Buck said well, they're in the process. The project does extend north of that, up to Riley Lane, and they'll be doing that work then after they finish this area down by the school.

Mayor Mills said it's looking great.

City Engineer Buck said they're making good progress.

Mayor Mills said they are making good progress.

City Engineer Buck said despite the heat.

Mayor Mills said and they got their pictures on the front of the paper this morning because of the heat.

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Contract: T.J. Gall & Associates – Sagamore Parkway West Lighting and Banner Project – Development

Director of Development Andrew said I'd like to ask the Board to enter into an agreement with T.J. Gall & Associates, for the Sagamore West Improvements Project. This contract is in the amount of \$59,520. This will be to supervise the activities that are going to be taking place on Sagamore Parkway West.

Mayor Mills said Mr. Gall is here, if you have any questions. Tom [Mr. Gall], do you want to just give us a brief overview of what you're going to be doing for us.

Mr. Gall said sure. This is the work involved in the lighting and the lighting project, banners, that's bid and is now under construction, as well as completing through the design and bidding phase of the median planting project, working with Joe's [Parks Superintendent Payne's] office, the Parks Department, and hoping to continue to make progress on the gateway signage issues. As you know, those are almost complete redesigns, based on INDOT's latest set of comments. We do have the hope that one of the gateway signs might be able to proceed on private property at some point in the relatively near future. That work's probably even as far away as late '07, maybe '08. I hope it's not that far away, but we hope to have the planning work done by spring, and the banner poles, lights with banners on them up and burning this fall.

Mayor Mills said we're excited to have it move forward, those visible parts of the light and banner project, finally. Thank you.

Mr. Satterly said I move we approve the proposal for project coordination services on the 2006 Sagamore West Improvement Projects located along Sagamore West in West Lafayette, in the amount not to exceed \$59,520. Motion was seconded by Ms. Broyles, and the vote was AYE.

Claims

Mayor Mills moved to approve the claim as submitted in one docket in the following amount:

Accounts Payable \$342,650.29

Motion was seconded by Mr. Satterly, and the vote was AYE.

Minutes

Mr. Satterly said I move we approve the minutes of the July 11, 2006, Board of Works meeting. Motion was seconded by Ms. Broyles, and the vote was AYE.

Adjournment

There being no further business at this time, Ms. Broyles moved for adjournment. Motion was seconded by Mr. Satterly, and the vote was AYE.