

BOARD OF WORKS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2011
TIME: 5:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Gary Herbert, Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Jamie Cain and Steve Simmonds.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken with all present.

Minutes were approved, motion by Rodney King and seconded by Jamie Cain. Ayes Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Jamie Cain, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Gary Murray City Engineer gave an update on Broadway Street and Lincoln Street Projects.

There will be a ribbon cutting for Lincoln Street on September 14th at 9:30 A.M. at First Street and Lincoln at the Hospital.

Bids were opened for the street resurfacing. Bids were received and opened from Dave O'Mara of North Vernon, Indiana; Milestones of Columbus, Indiana and Paul H. Rohe Co. of Aurora, Indiana.

Street Superintendent Mark Klosterkemper stated he would take the bids and put them into his spreadsheet and be able to bring the results back before the end of the Board of Works meeting.

Motion by Rodney King and seconded by Jamie Cain to table until later in the meeting when Mark can put these in a spreadsheet and bring them back for the Board to award. Ayes Linda Oldham, Steve Simmonds, Jamie Cain, Rodney King and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Tom Weartz of Sterling Insurance Group came before the Board and asked to be made broker agent of record for the City's health, dental, vision, life and TPA insurance. He is requesting all necessary information needed to quote and claims. He is asking for all information by October meeting.

Pepper Cooper of Maverick Insurance was present and handed out packets with information about Maverick Insurance. He is the current agent of record for the City's Health and Life Insurance. He asked to be able to do a survey of the employees about their insurance coverage and service.

Mayor Herbert stated that Pepper Cooper could do the survey by mail. He stated that two other insurance agents were going to bring in a quote and that he was going to have an outside consultant review all quotes.

Pepper Cooper stated that he would have all the necessary information put together for quotes from all the insurance companies. He stated at least two years of claims is needed and three would be better to know exactly how the claims have run. Pepper stated he would have all the information by the October meeting.

The Clerk-Treasurer stated that Tom Weartz had sent her deputy a list of information he was requesting and that right now we do not have the time, with budget and the new DLGF Gateway program plus the other daily work, to try and get all the information put together. The budget process and DLGF Gateway takes priority.

Pepper Cooper stated to send him the list and he will see to it that the information is taken care of for all the companies. He stated that he will get the information to the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer and the Mayor can distribute the information.

Laura Welborn came before the Board requesting street closings for the Fall Festival. The committee is requesting closing of North Broadway for the parade on Saturday, September 24th. The parade will come up Broadway to Washington Street and turn right at the MainSource Bank and end there. The Fall Festival request the North and East side of the square be closed, being Washington and Franklin Streets and the inside parking area of the South Side of the square. The West side of the square which is Broadway Street would remain open.

Motion by Rodney King and seconded by Linda Oldham to approve the request for street closing. Ayes Jamie Cain, Steve Simmonds, Linda Oldham, Rodney King and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Marc Coplon EDC Director came before the Board requesting office space in City Hall. They have to be out of the MainSource Bank by the end of the year. They would be willing to renovate the room and pay a portion of the utilities based on the square footage of the room. They are a 501-C6.

City Attorney Tim Coriden questioned if the EDC is government and qualifies. There would be a problem if rent is charged and it needs to be checked out if is not for rent but a portion of the utilities.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Rodney King to approve if it is permitted by Indiana Code that the EDC can obtain office space in City Hall and pay a portion of the utilities based upon the square footage of the room. Ayes Linda Oldham, Steve Simmonds, Rodney King, Jamie Cain and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Mayor Herbert stated the Housing Authority is requesting office space in City Hall. They are a non-profit organization.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Rodney King to approve the request of the Housing Authority. Ayes Jamie Cain, Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Jeff Smith Wastewater Superintendent brought a Grant of Easement to be passed and signed by the Board. This is for Duke Energy to relocate electric lines so an Administration Building can be built at 225 East Thompson Street. The cost per Duke Energy would be \$31,204.98.

After discussion it was determined that the Board has never approved the relocation of an Administration Building to the 225 East Thompson Street. The City Attorney stated the Board can approve the Easement for electric line relocation pending the Board approves the Administration Building relocation at a later date.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve the Easement for relocation of electric lines to Duke Energy pending the relocation of the Administration Building being approved and passed by the Board of Works at a later date. Ayes Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Steve Simmonds, Jamie Cain and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Stacey Chasteen Police Chief came before the Board requesting approval to hire a new officer after the interviews that were held.

Mayor Herbert stated he would like to hold off until the 2012 budget cuts are made and 2012 budget is approved.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Linda Oldham to approve applicant #5 depending on the 2012 budget.

Steve Simmonds withdrew his motion after discussion.

Motion by Steve Simmonds and seconded by Jamie Cain applicant #5 has passed the interview stage and is eligible for employment until the next application process begins for 2012. Ayes Jamie Cain, Linda Oldham, Steve Simmonds and Gary Herbert. Rodney King abstained because he was not at the interview session. Nays none. So passed.

Motion by Rodney King and seconded by Jamie Cain to approve the sewer adjustment for STI in the amount of \$6,231.39. Ayes Linda Oldham, Steve Simmonds, Jamie Cain, Rodney King and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve based upon legal counsel approval the Janssen & Spaans Engineering agreement for bridge #188 replacement on Vandalia Road over Muddy Fork Sand Creek. Ayes Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Steve Simmonds, Jamie Cain and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Mark Klosterkemper Street Superintendent brought quotes for a new truck purchase. They are having a lot of problems with the 1997 Dodge pickup.

Quotes were from:

1. Don Meyer Ford \$35,142.26
2. Uebelhor & Sons \$35,423.
3. Acra Automotive \$38,264.
4. Tom Sibbett Chevrolet \$34,832.46

Mark stated Mr. Storm from Uebelhor & Sons of Jasper, Indiana came into his office on September 6th before closing and brought in a revised price, 2012 pricing \$34,398.

Motion by Rodney King to purchase from Sibbett Chevrolet due to, and then Rodney withdrew his motion.

After discussion and concerns, Motion made by Jamie Cain and seconded by Steve Simmonds to approve purchase from Tom Sibbett due to service being locally versus having to go out of town. Ayes Linda Oldham, Rodney King, Steve Simmonds, Jamie Cain and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Mark Klosterkemper came back with a spreadsheet of all the bids for the street resurfacing.

1. Dave O'Mara of North Vernon, In. \$228,905.42, project 2 \$124,028.91 and project 3 \$105,884.98.
2. Milestone of Columbus, In. \$244,689, project 2 \$148,604.54 and project 3 \$158,291.64.
3. Paul H. Rohe of Aurora, In. \$229,321.49, project 2 \$132,560.24 and project 3 \$125,769.19.

Motion by Jamie Cain and seconded by Rodney King to award the street resurfacing to the lowest bidder Dave O'Mara. Ayes Linda Oldham, Steve Simmonds, Rodney King, Jamie Cain and Gary Herbert. Nays none. So passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____

ATTEST: _____ Clerk-Treasurer

