

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

November 21, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Wednesday, November 21, 2018, at 2:31 P.M. All members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on November 7, 2018, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the claims as presented, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Under old business, Police Chief Mark Weidner looked at a complaint filed about trucks using Meridian St. to get to the Cabinet Barn, formerly the old VTI building. Meridian St. is very narrow, and cars park on both sides of the street. When stopped by a truck driver going on Meridian St., the driver said there were “No Truck” signs posted, and ST. Rd. 9 was under construction. That no longer is the case, so the driver was told to start using McKinley St., off of Harrison St., and he would tell other drivers to use McKinley St. in the future. Chief Weidner recommended “NO TRUCK” signs be posted so they don’t travel south of the west dock on Hoover St. to McKay Rd.; so they don’t travel north of McKinley St. on Meridian St.; so they don’t travel on Jefferson Ave.; and so they don’t turn onto Meridian St. from Colescott St. Mr. Finkel moved to approve the requests, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Chief Weidner had a letter of resignation request from Officer Micheal Best, who is leaving on December 12, and joining with IMPD. Mr. Williams moved to accept the letter of resignation with regrets, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Plan Commission Director Bryant Niehoff said the property at 815 Morris Avenue has been cleaned up, so he asked that the owners be absolved from having to appear before the Board. Mr. Finkel moved to terminate any further action, but he wanted the owner to be notified that the Board doesn’t want it happening again. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Maynard Jones, 821 State St., came forward because he had not cleaned up his property to the satisfaction of the City. Mr. Jones said he has moved some items, but he can’t lift more than thirteen pounds, and some items are much heavier than that. He said he plans on taking some things to Pettit’s Junk Yard, and he’s taking some things to his basement. Mayor DeBaun said he’d like to give Mr. Jones an additional thirty days to clean his property. Mr. Williams moved to have the property cleaned up within thirty days, or the City will clean it up and charge it to Mr. Jones’s taxes. Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote. Mr. Finkel asked that an update be given after two weeks.

Under new business, Mayor DeBaun said he had a request for an order to appear on the property at 407 Eberhart Drive, which is owned by Mary Brown and Emma Williams. Mr. Finkel moved to have an order to appear issued, and he wanted to have someone check the refrigerator in the back, so that the door is either removed, or it’s securely chained. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mr. Niehoff requested the acceptance of dedication of public improvements and maintenance bond for the Twin Lakes Commercial Block “A”; the location for the new Shelton Animal Hospital. Mr. Niehoff said a sanitary sewer main and a drainage utility easement has been installed on the east end of the property, has been properly inspected, a video has been done, and it was supplied to the Water Resource Recovery Facility. Mr. Finkel moved to accept everything as presented, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mr. Niehoff said the local Postmaster notified him and the City Attorney that the former drop off box was at the current Marsh facility, but since it’s being redeveloped for the Shelbyville Central School system, they wanted to move it to an underserved area on the east end of the City. The area chosen was to place it on the median at Frank Street. Mr. Finkel moved to allow the US

Postal Service to put a drop off box in the City's right of way on Frank Street, pending exact location with the Plan Commission, the City Engineer, and the Street Commissioner. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

On a new dog bite case, Mayor DeBaun noted that no one from the family of the dog bite was present, but they did send an email stating what happened Friday night, November 16, when attending the Holiday Parade downtown. Their young daughter was bitten when she went up to pet the dogs, and one grabbed her scarf, pulling on it as a game of tug of war. The family wanted the dog returned to its owners. Danielle Eberhart, 2744 E. Michigan Rd., came forward saying she agreed with what was read by the Mayor. Mayor DeBaun said he visited the dog at the Animal Shelter, saying it was very timid, and it shied away from him. Danielle said she was walking six Great Danes with her when she was at the Christmas Parade, and she's walked the dogs in downtown Indianapolis as well, never encountering any problems. Mr. Finkel said he visited the dog as well, saying he saw no reason the dog couldn't be released back to Danielle. Mr. Williams moved to release the dog, pending the payment of impoundment fees, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote. Mayor DeBaun cautioned Danielle on bringing so many dogs in the future to an event as big as the Holiday Parade was.

There being no further business, Mr. Williams moved to adjourn.

ATTEST:


Frank Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer



Tom DeBaun
Mayor

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