

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

September 3, 2019

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 Tuesday, September 3, 2019, at 8:29 A.M. All members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on August 27, 2019, and Mayor DeBaun 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, City Attorney Jenny Meltzer set up a phone connection with Mike Soper to talk about the property located at 111 E. Hendricks St. Jeff Wallenius was present to talk, and he was representing E & J Reynolds, the property owners of the building. Plan Commission Director Adam Rude came forward to talk about the property at 111 E. Hendricks St. Adam noted that there were all kinds of problems at the location, and an order to demolish the unsafe building was issued on July 19, giving 60 days to have it demolished. Asked by Mayor DeBaun what the intent of the owners was, Mr. Wallenius said he had a couple of interested parties who want to buy the property, fix it up, and make it a livable situation for the tenants. Mayor DeBaun told the two men that they have until September 19 to get this resolved, and if Mr. Wallenius comes to the Board before then with a solution, the Board would take it into consideration. Mr. Williams was concerned that the building was used as a multi-family unit instead of a single family unit, and the buyers need to be made aware that they have to conform to having a single family unit living there. This will be continued where Mr. Wallenius must get with City Attorney Meltzer on questions and issues before coming back to the Board by or on September 17.


For property located at 548 W. Hendricks St., Mayor DeBaun noted that the tenants were present, but not the owner. Mr. Rude said the trash, debris, grass, and weeds have not been cleaned up, so he asked the Board to have it abated, and charge the costs to the taxes. One of the tenants, Christie Brokering, came forward saying some of it has been cleaned up as of this morning, and the grass would be cut this Thursday. Mayor DeBaun asked if Fire Chief Tony Logan could hook the family up with Sandra Hall to see if the family can get some help, and he said he would. Mr. Finkel moved to continue this for one week to see if it is cleaned up, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

On property located at 747 Colescott St., no one appeared from the Sigman family. Mr. Rude said there was overgrown grass and weeds that sit along two alleys that haven't shown any improvement. Since no one appeared, Mr. Finkel moved to remediate the problem, and assess the charges to the property taxes. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice.

Under new business, Whitney Thomas came forward on behalf of the PTO at Coulston Elementary School. She would like to have a Trunk or Treat event on the Circle on Saturday, October 5, from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. Whitney said it would be a free event and everyone is welcome to attend. At first, she said she would like to use the entire Circle, but after realizing how many cars are on the Circle now for Pudder's Restaurant, it was decided to have the event on the interior of the west side only. Mr. Williams moved to approve the request, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Adam Rude said he had a contract agreement with Commonwealth Engineers, Inc. for a blight clearance project. The plan is to assist the City with a grant program to demolish the old Dean's Market at the corner of 709 Miller Avenue. Mr. Williams said this was a pet peeve of his to tear the building down, so he moved to approve the request, and Mr. Finkel gladly seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

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


Tom DeBaun
Mayor

ATTEST:


Frank Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer

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