

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
VALPARAISO, INDIANA
July 10, 2020**

The Board of Public Works & Safety of Valparaiso, Indiana met July 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in City Hall. Present were Mayor Murphy, Holly Howe and Steve Poulos. Mayor Murphy called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Holly Howe moved that the minutes of the June 26, 2020 meeting be approved, seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Steve Poulos moved that the claims be approved for payment subject to appropriation balances, seconded by Holly Howe and so approved.

Site Work Applications – Hoosier Cable for Comcast

Mike Jabo requested approval of two Site Work Applications by Hoosier Cable for Comcast. One is for Glendale Blvd east of Roosevelt Road to east of Yorktowne Terrace. The second is at 500 N and 150 W. Both have been reviewed and approval is recommended.

Steve Poulos moved to approve both Site Work Applications by Hoosier Cable for Comcast. Seconded by Holly Howe and so approved.

Unsafe Building Status – 1425 Glendale Blvd

Attorney Estrada reported work on this project is slow but moving. Their attorney will be at the next Board of Works meeting with a status report.

Unsafe Building Status – 301 Morthland

Attorney Estrada reported the building has been demolished at the owner's expense. Seeding needs to be done. He requested this be on the Agenda for the next Board of Works meeting.

Unsafe Building Status – 756 Franklin

Attorney Estrada reported Vicki Thrasher anticipates starting the demolition of this building on Monday, July 13, 2020.

Unsafe Building Status – 1756 Harrison Blvd

Attorney Estrada reported work has been done on this house. The property owner has gotten a permit to do the roof repair. He anticipates asking to have the Order to Demolish dismissed at the next Board of Works meeting.

Retainer Agreement with Korein Tillery LLC and Hoover Hull Turner LLP

Mike Jessen discussed the Retainer Agreement with Korein Tillery and Hoover Hull Turner. This is about seeking cable franchise fee payments from nontraditional media content providers. Attorney Lyp has reviewed the document and recommends the Board of Works authorize Mayor Murphy to sign the Agreement.

Holly Howe moved to authorize Mayor Murphy to sign the Retainer Agreement with Korein Tillery and Hoover Hull Turner. Seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Citizen Requests

- Request approval for a block party for the Banta neighborhood with street closure on Sunday July 12, 2020 from 4-7.

Holly Howe moved to approve the street closure. Seconded by Steve Poulos and so approved.

Demolition/Code Enforcement Status Sheet

Mike Jessen presented a Demolition Status Sheet prepared by Attorney Lyp. Holly Howe asked about the Fireworks business along Highway 30. This matter is scheduled for a court hearing in early August. The City will be asking for an injunction to prevent the owner from selling fireworks in Valparaiso in 2020. The City will also seek reimbursement of its costs/attorney fees.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.