

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER
DECEMBER 26, 2012**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Wednesday, December 26, 2012, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

CALL TO ORDER

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Due to the absence of Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Bernita Heim called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member David Prechtel	Present [arrived 8:02 a.m.]

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, and Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang.

Building Commissioner/Zoning Administrator Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm were absent.

Heim announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. At the call of the roll two of the three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

David Prechtel arrived

SISTER CITY GREETINGS

Mayor Seitz said the City received greetings from Pfaffenweiler, Germany Mayor Dieter Hahn.

APPOINTMENT TO PLAN COMMISSION

Mayor Seitz said Martin Loya was appointed by the Board of Public Works and Safety to serve on the Plan Commission. He recently moved out-of-town and resigned from that Board, therefore, a replacement needs to be appointed by this Board.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to appoint Dan Buck to the Plan Commission until December 31, 2015. Motion carried 3-0.

5K RUN/WALK

Stephanie Lane, representing Dubois County Special Olympics, requested permission to use certain City streets for their 3rd annual 5K run/walk on Saturday, April 6, 2013 from 7:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The route, which is the same as last year, starts at the Armory, then left on Bartley Street, left on 15th Street, right on St. Charles Street, left on Schuetter Road, left on Cobblestone Road, cross St Charles Street to use the walking path to 15th Street, left on 15th Street, right on Bartley Street, then right into the pool entrance. Lane indicated the six intersections where volunteers will be stationed. The police suggested adding more volunteers.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to approve the Dubois County Special Olympics' annual walk starting at Jaycee Park and using the same path as last year on April 6, 2013 from 7:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

HARTFORD DRIVE STORM SEWER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

City Engineer Chad Hurm said specifications for the Hartford Drive Storm Sewer Replacement project were sent to three businesses. The following quotes were opened:

\$36,765.00 Lechner's Inc
\$39,270.00 Knies Construction Inc
No quote submitted by Ruhe Drainage

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to take the quotes under advisement. Motion carried 3-0.

ROAD BOND

City Engineer Chad Hurm said there was a preconstruction meeting on the Northwood Good Samaritan project. The recommended construction route is Schuetter Road-Sunset Drive-Pleasant View. He recommended they provide a \$25,000 per mile road bond for a minimum of one mile.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the action of the city engineer department to institute a road bond for the Northwood Good Samaritan project. Motion carried 3-0.

WINTER STORM

Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle said the first winter storm started about 12:45 a.m. this morning. There was sleet, rain, then snow. He asked everyone for their cooperation during such times.

CANINE

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett said the department wants to retire the current canine at the end of this year. They want to continue the program with a new dog with Officer Bower as its handler. This dog would be used strictly as a drug dog, not a full service dog. He asked permission to solicit donations for this

dog and training costs. The cost of the dog is \$8000.00. PetSense donates the dog food. The City would be responsible for the vet bills.

A **motion** was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by David Prechtel to accept the continuation of the canine program with funding from private donations except the vet bills. Motion carried 3-0.

DOWNTOWN JASPER MASTER PLAN

Mayor Seitz said the City negotiated a price with CityVisions to develop a Downtown Jasper Master Plan. There is \$40,000 in the 2012 EDIT Fund for this project. \$5,000 for reimbursable expenses will come from the 2013 EDIT Fund.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by David Prechtel to adopt the CityVisions contract prepared by the city attorney and not-to-exceed \$5,000 for travel expenses. Motion carried 3-0.

AXIOM CONTRACT

Mayor Seitz said the City wants to extend the existing contract it has with Axiom for the train. Last year Dubois County Tourism produced a brochure that they will not be doing this year. The contract will be extended for 25,000 brochures not-to-exceed \$3000.

A **motion** was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the extension of the contract with Axiom to produce 25,000 train rack cards for a cost not-to-exceed \$3000. Motion carried 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the board, a **motion** was made by David Prechtel and seconded by Timothy Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:24 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved ____ with X without corrections or clarification this 8th day of January, 2013.

**Mayor Terry Seitz
Presiding Officer**

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer