

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER  
JULY 24, 2018**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, July 24, 2018, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Due to the absence of Mayor Seitz, Timothy Bell served as presiding officer. Bell called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Absent
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member Nancy Eckerle	Present

Also present were Police Chief Nathan Schmitt, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm. Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising and City Attorney Renee Kabrick were absent.

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Bell invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.** The board members examined the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 10, 2018. Thereafter, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 2-0.

**WATER LEAK AT SOLID WASTE BUILDING**

Carla Streigel-Winner, director of the Dubois County Solid Waste Management District, said there is a water leak in the line to the building the County rents from the City for the solid waste operation. This building is located at the former landfill site at 1103 S 350 W. Winner said the County is responsible for repairing the leak but needed to notify the City and seek permission to proceed with the repair.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve Dubois County Solid Waste Management District fixing the water leak at their office. Motion carried 2-0.

**FLECK ACRES**

Ethan Hopf with Brosmer Land Surveying presented a plat for a two-lot subdivision known as Fleck Acres. Marcella Fleck Estate owns 1.05 acres located on the north side of Hemlock Drive, east of Meridian Road and wants to develop this property. Hopf asked the board to approve the plat that dedicates a 30 ft right-of-way and a 20 ft public utility and drainage easement.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the Fleck Acres two-lot subdivision and approve the dedication of the 30 ft right-of-way and 20 ft public utility and drainage easement. Motion carried 2-0.

**ALGONQUIN VALLEY THIRD ADDITION**

Ethan Hopf with Brosmer Land Surveying said he was representing William and Raquel Barkley, Chris and Susan Berg, and S and C Holdings LLC.

Hopf said his clients own Lots, 3, 4, 5, and 6 in Algonquin Valley Second Addition. This property is located along Division Road between Omega Drive and Skyview Drive. Hopf then said his clients want to change these four lots to a three-lot subdivision known as Algonquin Valley Third Addition. He is seeking permission to widen the public utility easement from 12 feet to 23.3 feet.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the plat for Algonquin Valley Third Addition and widen the easement from 12 feet to 23.3 feet. Motion carried 2-0.

#### **INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY**

Nancy Eckerle, representing the Dubois County Substance Abuse Council, asked permission to use the Dave Buehler Plaza and gazebo area on Thursday, August 30, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. for a candlelight vigil in observance of International Overdose Awareness Day. The event will be held from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the use of the Dave Buehler Plaza area for the International Overdose Awareness Day candlelight vigil on August 30, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Motion carried 2-0.

#### **REPORTS**

Timothy Bell acknowledged receipt of the code enforcement report and the fire department fuel and maintenance report.

#### **HIGH WEED COMPLAINTS**

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang reported to the board the names of property owners and the locations that have been cited under 5.12.040 weed removal/notice. The names and locations are as follows:

Owner: Nicholas Hemann  
Location: 2413 Sunset

Owner: Jasper Lumber Co Inc  
Location: Pleasant View Drive

Owner: Lois Suydam  
Location: 2558 Birk Drive

Owner: Carrie Schmitt  
Location: 1442 Briarcliff Pkwy

Owner: Greg Rickelman  
Location: 322 E 5<sup>th</sup> Street

#### **50/50 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

At the June 26, 2018 meeting, the board accepted Ray Howard, 1436 Leopold Street, into the 50/50 sidewalk replacement program. The total cost of the project was \$1825.00 and the property owner's share was \$912.50.

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the project cost was revised because Howard owns one-half of the driveway. The revised project cost is \$2795.00 and the property owner's share is \$1397.50.

Hurm then asked the board to accept Rex and Barbara Gibson, 417 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, into the 50/50 sidewalk replacement program. He said the total cost of the project is \$1277.50 and the property owner's share is \$638.75.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the 50/50 sidewalk replacement projects at the Howard and Gibson residences. Motion carried 2-0.

**QUOTES FOR ONE-TON TRUCKS**

At the July 10, 2018 meeting, quotes for two one-ton trucks with steel dump bed and hoist less trade ins were taken under advisement.

Assistant Street Commissioner Scott Eckerle recommended accepting the low quote that was submitted by Sternberg Chrysler for a net price of \$68,900.00.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the purchase of two 2018 RAM 3500 one-ton trucks with steel dump beds from Sternberg Chrysler for \$68,900.00. Motion carried 2-0.

**STREET CLOSURES**

Assistant Street Commissioner Scott Eckerle said the street department plans to repair some storm sewers along W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street before the walking path near the Parklands of Jasper is installed. He asked permission to close W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street at four locations from Emily Street to St. Charles Street at various times next week. The street will reopen each day at 4:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to close 15<sup>th</sup> Street at four different locations for storm sewer replacement work in the next week. Motion carried 2-0.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 2-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_ with X without corrections or clarification this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2018.

*Timothy Bell*  
**Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer**

Attest: *Juanita S. Boehm*  
**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**