



MINUTES of September 14, 2020 Regular Meeting
Board of Public Works & Safety and Stormwater Board

Held 2:00 p.m. Goshen Police & Court Building, 111 East Jefferson Street, Goshen, Indiana

Present: Chair Jeremy Stutsman, Member Mike Landis, Member Mary Nichols

Minutes of Sept. 8 were presented.

Nichols/Landis moved to approve minutes of Sept. 8, 2020 as presented. Passed 3-0.

Nichols/Landis moved to remove Item #5 (Sidewalk Closure at 215 S. Main St. Sept. 18, 25) and approve agenda as amended. Passed 3-0.

College Ave. Median Light Pole Banner Replacement

Brian Yoder Schlabach, representing Goshen College, presented remotely (Zoom) per the letter in the meeting packet.

Nichols/Landis moved to approve the replacement of the banners on the six light poles on College Ave. Passed 3-0.

Downtown Vault Elimination Agreement Form and Downtown Vault Repair and Maintenance Agreement Form

City Attorney Bodie Stegelmann explained that the City has been working with property owners to eliminate vaults under sidewalks downtown for a number of years. Twenty-six vaults remain. City has started process of hiring a structural engineer to evaluate them. Part of the process will involve agreements with property owners and City, whether owners keep or eliminate vaults.

Nichols/Landis moved to approve the Downtown Vault Elimination Agreement Form and Downtown Vault Repair and Maintenance Agreement Form. Passed 3-0.

GFD Service Agreement with Public Safety Medical for Staff Physicals

Fire Chief Dan Sink presented the packet memo.

Landis asked whether this is the same group used in the past. Sink said yes, three-year contract is up and this is a renewal for three more years.



Nichols/Landis moved to approve the contract with Public Safety Medical for physicals for Fire Department staff. Passed 3-0.

Leaf Storage Agreement with Ozinga Ready-Mix Concrete

Paralegal Carla Newcomer presented the packet memo.

Nichols/Landis moved to authorize the Mayor to execute the Leaf Storage Agreement with Ozinga Ready Mix Concrete, Inc. Passed 3-0.

Indiana Ave. Bridge Inspection Closure Sept. 29

Director of Public Works Dustin Sailor presented the packet memo.

Nichols/Landis moved to all Elkhart County Highway to close Indiana Avenue at the Elkhart River on or about Sept. 29, 2020 to allow for the Indiana Ave. bridge inspection. Passed 3-0.

Indiana Ave. Lane Restriction Sept. 15 – Oct. 2, (JN: 2019-2037)

Sailor presented per the packet memo.

Nichols/Landis moved to approve narrowed lanes on Indiana Avenue and High Street from US33/Pike Street to Wilkinson Street, Sept. 15 – Oct. 2, 2020. Passed 3-0.

Kentfield Dr. Closure Sept. 14-18 (JN: 2020-0002)

Sailor presented per the packet memo.

Nichols/Landis moved to approve the Kentfield Dr. road closure Sept. 14-18. Passed 3-0.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Sailor advised the Board that last week during a plant shutdown for a pipe bypass related to the major wastewater treatment plant improvements, two of the primary valves in the clarifiers were broken. Workers were able to open one valve but not the other, which means plant is not able to run at full capacity. Sailor said emergency work is underway and Board will be requested in future to ratify current work. Landis asked how long it would take to complete work. Sailor said they are working hard but do not know. Said attempt made today to replace gears in valves, but they were

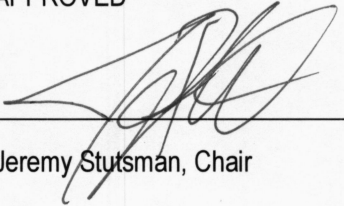


destroyed. A company from Ohio is coming tomorrow to put a line stop the valve to pull off the sewage to avoid backfilling the trench. They are having trouble finding a valve. Mayor asked whether it is the fault of the company or if these were old valves. Sailor said valves date to 1992. City recently purchased new equipment to turn valves hydraulically, which was tested with good results last week. A breaker bar, not the new equipment, was used this time and the valves were snapped.

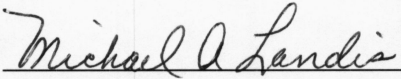
Stutsman/Landis moved to approve civil city and utility claims and to adjourn. Passed 3-0.

Adjournment at 2:12 p.m.

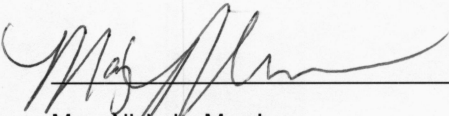
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Jeremy Stutsman, Chair

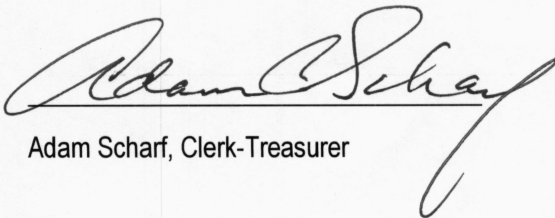


Michael Landis, Member



Mary Nichols, Member

ATTEST



Adam Scharf, Clerk-Treasurer