

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2015

#1 CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mike Puhr called the meeting of the Public Works Committee to order at 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call was answered by Chairman Mike Puhr, Vice Chairman Jon Cooper, Aldermen Lloyd Randle, Sherry Pickering, and Rick Strebing. Aldermen Mike O'Kane and Rickey Williams, Jr. were absent. A quorum was present. Chairman Puhr stated Alderman O'Kane's absence is excused as he recently underwent a surgical procedure. Alderman Williams arrived at 6:04 p.m.

Others in attendance included Mayor Scott Eisenhauer, Alderman Tom Stone, City Clerk Lisa Monson, City Comptroller Gayle Lewis, DATS Director Jaclyn Marganski, Engineering & Urban Services Director David Schnelle, Public Transportation Director Lisa Beith, Public Works Director Doug Ahrens, Streets & Sewers Superintendent Ray Garcia, 2 audience members, and 2 news media.

#2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Puhr presented Minutes of the regular meeting of July 14, 2015. Alderman Strebing moved for approval as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#3 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Puhr presented the agenda. There being no changes, Alderman Randle moved for approval as presented, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. On the voice vote, all ayes, no nays; the motion so ordered.

#4 AUDIENCE COMMENTS - None

#5 CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS - None

[Alderman Williams arrived at 6:04 p.m. during presentation of the next item and took his seat at the dais.]

#6 PAYROLL

Chairman Puhr presented Payroll for August 7, 2015 of \$536,390.59. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Randle, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#7 VOUCHERS PAYABLE

Chairman Puhr presented the Schedule of Vouchers Payable for regular run of August 11, 2015, of \$565,933.16. Vice Chairman Cooper moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. There being no questions, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#8 DANVILLE AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (DATS) – Jaclyn Marganski, Director

#8-A) Items of Information

- Director Marganski reported MPO submitted a grant application to the National Park Service on August 1 for a technical assistance grant with no monetary match required and if awarded the

grant will help with the plan creation of the connection between the City and the Kickapoo Rail Trail.

- A Request for Proposal has been drafted for the Greater Downtown Danville Parking and Mobility Study, as a part of the recent EPA Sustainable Infill Development Workshop with the proposals being due Friday, August 14, 2015. Director Marganski stated the study will be a Consultant led study.
- The MPO is publishing a Wayfinding and Signage Study request for proposal which was a recommendation from the East Main Street Corridor Plan. This study along with the Greater Downtown Danville Parking and Mobility Study are pending federal and state funding as the MPO federal funding flows through the State.
- Director Marganski reported staff will be reaching out to the public through neighborhood and landlord groups for the Housing Task Force throughout the month of August with presentations coming to Council Committees in September and Council approval in October.
- Chairman Puhr asked when the Riverfront Survey ends and Director Marganski responded there has not been an established cutoff date, but 750 responses have been received so far. Director Marganski stated she would like to reach out to the minority population as the response received from minorities has been low. Alderman Williams suggested reaching out to folks during the upcoming football games.

#9 ENGINEERING & URBAN SERVICES – David Schnelle, Director

#9-A) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution awarding Bid Number 540 to Open Road Paving Company, LLC for the 2015 Overlay Program in the amount of \$839,971.84 to be paid from the Infrastructure Development and Improvement Program and Motor Fuel Tax Fund, Section #14-00350-00-RS. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O’Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#9-B) Chairman Puhr presented an amended resolution awarding Bid Number 541 to Schomburg and Schomburg Construction for the Contract for Sewer Repairs in the amount of \$38,199.74 to be paid from Streets Division-Maintenance of Storm Sewers. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Director Schnelle stated during the June 7 storm event it was determined there was an inlet on Griffin Street near the CSX tracks that was connected to the sanitary sewer system which needed to be disconnected and at the same time it was discovered a portion of the National Street storm sewer culvert top slab serving a sidewalk failed so there was a need to competitively advertise for bids. There being no questions or further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O’Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#9-C) Chairman Puhr presented an ordinance approving Purchase of Property at 1101 E. Main Street from Jon D. Mourer in the amount of \$5,000.00 to come from the CDBG Budget-Community Projects funding for the East Main Street Project. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Director Schnelle passed around a diagram showing a concept sketch drawing designed by Steve Lane, Superintendent of Parks and Public Property of what could be placed at this location. The sketch included a possible enhanced bus shelter with a center island including a curved knee wall that will resemble Cannon School as the idea is to tie into Cannon Elementary School as the property is located across from the school near Main and Porter Streets. The idea behind this would be to procure the property, then have Engineering start

coming up with a final design that is reflective of the neighborhood. Alderman Randle questioned the size of the bus shelter and Director Schnelle stated the final size will be determined when Engineering comes up with the final design. Alderman Williams would like for the property to be as low maintenance as possible. Director Schnelle stated Superintendent Lane is focusing on types of plantings that require low maintenance. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#9-D) Items of Information

#9-D-1) H & L Landfill Update – Nothing new to report.

#9-D-2) NPDES Stormwater Management Update – The kickoff meeting with the consultant will take place on August 17 at the Meadowlawn Neighborhood Group meeting which will be an opportunity to start gathering information and input from the public. Staff is in the process of starting a Stormwater Management website which will also be a way for the public to input information.

#9-D-3) Project Updates

Bowman Avenue Project – The project is nearly completed as the contractor has 12 working days left to complete the job.

South Griffin Street Project – The project is proceeding on schedule as staff has driven piles for both abutments with abutment caps being poured this week.

#10 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – Lisa Beith, Director

#10-A) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution extending and amending Agreement for Transit Services with CRIS Rural Mass Transit District. Alderman Williams moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Director Beith stated the agreement started last year which included two one year extensions at three percent increases built into the agreement. There being no questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Randle, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#10-B-1) The Monthly Recap for July 2015, included Ridership Reports, Monthly Revenue Record, and Ridership History. The June fixed route ridership totaled 54,149. The June total ADA ridership was 816 rides with the July ADA ridership report to be given next month. The total revenue for the month of July was \$31,029.20 which includes Farebox and Subscription revenue at \$19,433.95; Ticket Sales at \$10,732.75, and Advertising at \$862.50.

#10-B) Items of Information

Public Transportation is awaiting more news about the State's portion of the funding for the transfer facility. Director Beith reported the two 35' Gillig buses have been funded as well as funding for four super medium duty buses. Mayor Eisenhauer stated he and Director Beith have met with State Senator Bennett and State Representative Hayes so the two of them can meet with their Springfield contacts to possibly take the Transfer Zone Project off hold.

#11 PUBLIC WORKS – Doug Ahrens, Director

#11-A) Chairman Puhr presented an amended resolution awarding Bid Number 544 to Midwest Construction Services of St. John, Indiana for Asbestos Abatement at 7 McVey, 222 & 230 W. Main Streets in the amount of \$42,500.00. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Director Ahrens stated staff was able to pursue some references in regards to the lowest bidder on the project and both the consultant and the

City are comfortable in making a recommendation for the award of the lowest bid. The estimate was \$60,000.00 and the payment will be partially out of the riverfront funds with the asbestos abatement for 7 McVey likely be coming out of CDBG dollars. There being no questions or further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#11-B) Chairman Puhr presented an amended resolution awarding Bid Number 545 to Owens Excavating and Trucking, LLC for Demolition of 7 McVey Street in the amount of \$29,485.00, 519 Commercial Street in the amount of \$25,125.00, 1001 E. Main Street in the amount of \$17,221.00, 1210 N. Walnut Street in the amount of \$18,975.00, and 110 N. Logan Avenue in the amount of \$18,970.00, to come from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Blight Removal funding. Alderman Strebing moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Williams. Director Ahrens stated he has confirmed with the low bidder that they are comfortable with their prices and the scope of work and requirements associated with it. Director Ahrens anticipates that 7 McVey, 519 Commercial, 1001 E. Main and 110 N Logan will be taken out of CDBG funding and 1210 N. Walnut will likely be taken from blight removal funding as it is part of an estate so there is a possibility of being reimbursed for those dollars. Discussion took place regarding the procedure for trying to pursue the property owners so the City can be reimbursed for demolition costs. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Williams, Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#11-C) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution authorizing Payment for Emergency Sanitary Sewer Repairs on North Vermilion Street at Lake Shore Entrance to Cross Construction in the amount of \$27,093.79, with funds to come from Sanitary Sewer-Maintenance of Sanitary Sewers Fund. Alderman Randle moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Alderman Strebing. Director Ahrens stated the amount for the full cost of repairs is closer to \$75,000.00 when including payments made to other vendors. There being no questions or further discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Cooper, Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#11-D) Chairman Puhr presented a resolution authorizing Purchase of Two New Cabs and Chassis for Plow Trucks to National Auto Fleet Group in the amount of \$201,550.00, through the National Joint Powers Purchasing Alliance Contract #102811 and waiving public notice and formal bid process. Alderman Williams moved to dispense with the reading and asked for approval, seconded by Vice Chairman Cooper. Mayor Eisenhower stated there is a correction in the fourth paragraph of the resolution as the Capital Program Fund should be Capital Improvement Fund. Director Ahrens stated these two units are replacing a 1991 and a 2001 as both have cracked or rusted frames. Alderman Pickering asked what the related equipment included and Director Ahrens stated the plow package, dump body and spreader will be on a separate bid and the other related equipment is the connection points to service the other equipment that will come. Vice Chairman Cooper asked if the two trucks will be trashed and Director Ahrens stated "yes" as they were in the city auction. There being no further questions or discussion, the roll call vote being:

Ayes: Aldermen Randle, Pickering, Strebing, Williams, Cooper, Puhr

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman O'Kane

Motion carried 6 to 0 with 1 absent.

#11-E) Items of Information

- Director Ahrens reported the municipal pool has been busy this summer with increased admissions and pool parties. There have been as many as 450 to 500 swimmers on some days. The pool will close for the season on Friday, August 14, 2015.
- Staff is trying to get wrapped up on the final items relating to storm damage and hope to be done within the next two weeks.

#12 CLOSED SESSION – None

#13 COMMITTEE MEMBERS' COMMENTS

- Alderman Williams stated Project Success is enrolling children after school programs.
- Director Ahrens stated the Vermilion County Tax Auction book is out and the City has identified 20 properties have structures and would like to have ordinances to approve acquisition of those properties after a closed session discussion at the August 18 Council meeting. It was the consensus from the Committee to go ahead and take the items directly to Council.
- Mayor Eisenhower announced the sound system installation will be completed next week and asked that Aldermen arrive between 5:30pm and 5:45pm at the August 18 Council meeting to allow time to adjust the volume on each individual microphone.

#14 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items on the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m. by acclamation after a motion by Alderman Randle and a second by Alderman Williams.



Lisa K. Monson, City Clerk

Approved: 09/08/15

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