

The Board of Public Works and Safety of Plymouth, Indiana, met in Regular Session on August 22, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Building, 124 N. Michigan St., Plymouth, IN.

Mayor Senter presided for Board Members Delp, Fonseca, Grobe and Houin. City Attorney Surrisi and Clerk-Treasurer Xaver were also present.

Board Members Houin and Delp moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the last regular session of the Board of Public Works and Safety on August 8, 2016, as presented since they have been reviewed and found to be correct. The motion carried.

Utility Superintendent Davidson provided an update on projects for the Water and Wastewater Departments:

- The Goshen Trail contract has been signed and the project is set to begin September 7<sup>th</sup>.
- The houses at 805 and 809 W Harrison Street have been demolished, however there is some remaining site work to be completed. Davidson has spoken with the contractor regarding this work.
- The contract with Kokosing has been executed for the Wastewater Treatment Renovation Project and work has begun.

Fire Chief Miller requested the board's permission to apply for an IPEP grant for safety equipment. If awarded the grant, Indiana Public Employers' Plan, the city's workers compensation insurer, would reimburse up to 80% of the cost of equipment. This would be part of the 2017 budget, however the grant application is due by October 31, 2016.

Board Members Grobe and Houin moved and seconded to allow Chief Miller to proceed with the IPEP grant application. The motion carried.

Chief Miller also told the board how difficult it is to turn emergency vehicles north on Plum Street off of West Jefferson Street. He noted that his emergency vehicles must divert and take a longer route due to the congested traffic in this area. Miller suggested enforcing no parking zones but requested that each board member look at the location and discuss solutions with the surrounding business owners. Board Member Delp discussed the narrowness of the road and suggested yellow lines be painted to at least help with the traffic.

Miller also notified the board that there will be a dedication ceremony at the Fire Training Tower on the Marshall County Jail property on October 8<sup>th</sup>.

Clerk-Treasurer Xaver introduced Dennis Wiggins who presented the following request:

Plymouth Glass Company 109 W Washington St. Painting buildings and would like to set scaffolding in alley to paint. Painter needs approximately 10 days for scraping and painting.  
S/ Dennis Wiggins, owner of Plymouth Glass Company, 30632 CR 40, Wakarusa, IN 46573,  
574-780-2764

Delp said he stopped and measured 16 feet between the building and curb. The contractor would like to sit approximately 1 foot out from the wall with 5-feet of scaffolding. Delp said with roughly 9 or 10 feet of space, cars should still be able to maneuver through the alleyway. Wiggins said the contractor

hoped to finish the project by August 28<sup>th</sup>. Delp suggested putting up cones to help protect the scaffolding.

Board Members Grobe and Fonseca moved and seconded to approve the request in addition to adding Street Department barrels for added protection. The motion carried.

Board Members Fonseca and Houin moved and seconded to allow the payroll for August 31, 2016, and the claims for August 22, 2016, as entered in Claim Register #2016. The motion carried.

In other business, Board Member Delp provided an update on the Lincoln Park brick pillars. He stated that there are six pillars and four of them are leaning significantly. He obtained a quote from J&J Masonry for labor and material to fix the damaged pillars. The cost is approximately \$3,800. A second quote was obtained from A&M Homes Services to level the pillars back out. The cost is approximately \$1,700 per pillar. A&M Homes Services did note that sections of sidewalk will need to be removed, which the company will do, but they will not replace the sidewalk. Delp estimates the total cost of the project should the board move forward with this option is around \$16,000 to \$20,000. He also noted that there is a risk in the project. While trying to level the pillars, the old foundation could give way and result in higher project costs. Once the pillars are level, A&M does warranty their work for 25 years.

The other option is to remove the pillars and install lights instead of pillars. Delp estimates that the cost to install new foundation could run approximately \$3,000 per light.

Ken Lukenbill suggested funding from Lincoln Highway Historical project. Delp said he had not thought about taking that route. Only four of the six lights are on Lincoln Highway so he is unsure if that organization would help fund the whole project.

Board Members Houin and Grobe moved and seconded to move forward with repairing the current pillars and allow Street Superintendent Marquardt to work Clerk-Treasurer Xaver to find funding for the project. The motion carried.

City Engineer Rick Gaul notified the board that funding for the 50/50 Community Crossings Project is still unknown. There should be an answer by the end of the month, but Gaul wanted the board to know that the list of projects that they received earlier in the year will be followed as previously outlined.

There being no further business to discuss, Members Delp and Grobe moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was declared adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

S/Jeanine M. Xaver  
Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED:

S/Mark Senter  
Mayor

The following requests were forwarded to the proper committee to act:

8/15/16 – The tree in the front yard needs some branches cut. I'm not sure if this tree belongs to me or the city. There is another tree that needs to be cut because it is causing damage to my property. S/ Zenon Ortiz, 233 E Lake Ave, Plymouth. 574-540-9821

8/17/16 – The removal of 2 'at risk' maple trees in front of 323 Conger St. was sincerely appreciated. I now want to submit in writing a request to have 2 or more trees planted along Conger St. to replace those cut. S/ Dan Shuppert, 11766 11<sup>th</sup> Rd, Plymouth. 574-220-7863

8/22/16 – Cut down and remove the tree in front of our home at 520 N Michigan St. Our neighbor Bill Creech has a request in for his and his 2 will be moved at the first of September. S/ Jill Berger, owner, 520 N. Michigan St, Plymouth. 574-279-1729