

## Board of Public Works and Safety Minutes

MEETING DATE: March 20, 2023, at 11:30 AM MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The Board of Public Works and Safety, City of Madison, Indiana, met at 11:30 AM in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

Calling of roll and notice of absentees: Eaglin, Courtney, and Carlow (3-0).

Approval of Minutes: Eaglin moved to approve the March 6, 2023, minutes, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Claims: Carlow moved to approve the claims as submitted, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Adjustments: None.

Unfinished business: Fire Department Changes to SOPs tabled from 1/3, 1/17, 2/6, 2/21, and 3/6.

Fire Department changes to SOPs: Motion: Courtney moved to refer the SOPs back to the Steering Committee for further evaluation and review, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Order to Demolish/Remove Multiple Unsafe Structures on Moody Park Ln: The hearing was reconvened from the March 6, 2023, BPW meeting. Landon Ralston, city's Building Inspector, was brought in front of the board to confirm his Order and Notice of Violation relative to unsafe structures located at 401 Moody Park Ln, 407 Moody Park Ln, 408 Moody Park Ln, 413 Moody Park Ln, 414 Moody Park Ln, 419 Moody Park Ln, and 420 Moody Park Ln. Five of the seven of those properties are occupied. Landon informed the board that Mr. Cunningham, owner of these properties, did pick up a demo permit for 408 Moody Park Ln on March 15, 2023, and it was approved. After meeting with his legal counsel, Jim Cunningham addressed the board and presented them with a few points regarding his opposition to the Order and Notice of Violation relative to unsafe structures located at Moody Park Ln.

Public Comment: Mike Greco, 1107 E Street, made a public comment to the board regarding a few of Mr. Cunningham's points. He mentioned Royer has taken the steps necessary for being in the floodplain, the occupants who are receiving reduced or no rental fee to do work on their mobile homes are unskilled and unlicensed laborers, and that if HUD were involved, it would be a lot easier as they would most likely shut down the whole park all together rather than requesting demolition of a few of the mobile homes. Mike mentioned he has empathy for the occupants, but Mr. and Mrs. Cunningham willingly and knowingly put these people in this position. Mike requests that the board follow the guidelines and the rules in place.

Gordon Van Vleck, an occupant of Moody Park Ln mobile homes, addressed one of the comments made by Mike Greco. He explains that he has been in construction since 1976 and is well equipped and knowledgeable of repairs that he is making on his mobile home.

Mike Greco returned to correct a statement he made above on occupants being unskilled to perform the renovations to their homes. He wanted to make the correction that he meant a licensed contractor or someone that is legally permitted to do the work.

Jim Cunningham reapproached the board to comment that a lot of the work is observed and directed by him. Jim wanted to point out that he has an associate degree in construction from Ivy Tech, and 4-year carpenter's apprenticeship through the Carpenter's Union, an active welding certification, and has been doing maintenance work on mobile homes and residential structures for years on and off, and for about 4-5 years was at Lowe's where he was considered the electrical and plumbing professional.

Courtney moved to amend the order as described by counsel, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Courtney moved to accept the order of the City of Madison Board of Public Works and Safety, today, March 20, 2023, with regard to the properties abovementioned, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

## New business:

Water Project SRF Disbursement Requests #15: The SRF disbursement request #15 is in the amount of \$6,900.00.

Motion: Carlow moved to approve the SRF Disbursement Requests #15, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Contract with Zambelli Fireworks: The city's Communications Assistant, Kealey White, presented the board with a contract between the city and Zambelli Fireworks for \$30,000.00. The contract is regarding the fireworks show the city puts on every year for the Fourth of July. The contract has not changed from previous years' contracts.

**Motion**: Eaglin moved to accept the contract between the city and Zambelli Fireworks, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Grant Agreement between City and IN DNR re. Next Level Trails: The city's Economic Development Director, Tony Steinhardt, introduced the department's new Associate Economic Development Director, Emily McKinney, to the board to discuss this topic since it is her project she will be leading from here on out. The grant agreement's total budget is in the amount of \$2,700,000.00, and \$2,160,000.00 is coming from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources. Emily is requesting that the Board of Public Works accept the grant agreement and the city's match of \$440,000.00 from READI dollars. The Regional Development Authority approved READI dollars on Friday, March 17, 2023. \$100,000.00 is coming from the county commissioners.

**Motion**: Eaglin moved to approve the grant agreement between the city and IN DNR, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

RESOLUTION NO. 9B-2023: STREET CLOSURE FOR TUMC: Reverend Doug Walker, on behalf of the Trinity United Methodist Church, requests a street closing mentioned in Resolution No. 9B-2023, in connection with their Worship in the Park to be held on every Sunday from April 1, 2023, through November 1, 2023, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.

**Motion**: Eaglin moved to approve the TUMC Street Closure Request, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

## RESOLUTION NO. 10B-2023: STREET CLOSURE FOR MADISON RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT

**COMMITTEE**: Josh Kunze, on behalf of the Madison Riverfront Development Committee, requests a street closing mentioned in Resolution No. 10B-2023, in connection with its Wine Stein & Barrel Event, to be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023, from 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

**Motion**: Courtney moved to approve the Madison Riverfront Development Committee Street Closure Request, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

RESOLUTION NO. 11B-2023: STREET CLOSURE FOR MOLLY DATTILO 5K RUN/WALK: Paul Kelly, on behalf of the Molly Dattilo 5K Run/Walk Committee, requests a street closing mentioned in Resolution No. 11B-2023, in connection with the annual 5K Run/Walk to be held on Saturday, May 13, 2023, from 6:00 am to 11:00 am.

Motion: Eaglin moved to approve the Molly Dattilo 5K Run/Walk Street Closure Request, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Extension: 411 Dowell St: Brian Marshall is requesting a PACE extension for 411 Dowell St. The extension request is for two months. The project was awarded the amount of \$25,000.00 and he received \$12,500.00. The grant type is for a dilapidated structure. The new deadline would be May 21, 2023.

Motion: Courtney moved to approve the PACE Extension, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Final: 215 Ferry St. Marcus Gray completed a \$7,500.00 grant on 215 Ferry St. Work included tuckpointing, additional masonry works, as well as, structural work on the staircase.

Motion: Eaglin moved to approve the PACE Final, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Applications: Steward and Kimberly Hizey's work at 768 W Third St includes windows and installing new siding. Their PACE grant was awarded \$7,500.00. Red Bicycle Hall's work at 125 E Main St included windows and gutters. Their PACE grant was awarded \$7,500.00. Madison Unlimited LLC's work at 526 Walnut St will include a full remodel. Their PACE grant was awarded \$25,000.00. Covert Grove Property LLC's work at 302 West St included tuckpointing, roofing, and structural interior work. Their PACE grant was awarded \$25,000.00. Also, by the same owner, 304 West Street, work includes interior structural components and masonry tuckpointing. The PACE grant was in the amount of \$25,000.00. Bob Corum and Link Ludington's work at 601 Mulberry St includes selective demolition, exterior wall repairs, doors, windows, side porch construction, and masonry work. Their PACE grant was awarded \$25,000.00. Madison Christian Health and Development Services' work at 705 Walnut St includes cleanout, removal of fire damage, and foundation repair. Their PACE grant was awarded \$25,000.00. Motion: Courtney moved to approve the PACE Applications, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Mayor's comments: Mayor Courtney reemphasized that clean, safe, and decent housing is critically important to a vibrant neighborhood, and the city will continue to work with property owners and code enforcement officials to get an outcome that has long been missing in the community. Mayor Courtney also took the time to congratulate Fire Company #4 for a fantastic 150<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration on Saturday, March 18, 2023. Courtney encouraged everyone to check out the Firefighter Museum on North Walnut Street.

Public comment: John Wallace, the city's Chief of Police, addressed the board to update the public on a situation that happened over the weekend regarding vandalism. The vandalism took place on Vaughn

Drive under the bridge. The perpetrators came forward themselves, and in agreement with the Madison Police Department, instead of charges, will spend part of their spring breaks cleaning up their vandalism.

Next meeting: Monday, April 3, 2023, at 11:30 AM

Adjourn: Eaglin moved to adjourn, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).



Kathleen M. Rampy, Clerk-Treasurer

Mayor Bob Courtney

David Carlow

Karl Eaglin