

Board of Works and Safety

April 7, 2008

10:00 A.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all in attendance.

Prayer was given by Harold Frame.

Mayor Small opened the Board of Works and Safety meeting

Director England moved to approve all city and utility claims dated 3/31/08 to 4/7/08.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Business:

Cory Whitsell, Hannum, Wagle and Cline Engineering appeared before the Board giving an update on the construction of the Aquatic Pool and bathhouse.

Mr. Whitsell announced that there were change orders that needed to be taken care of.

1. Change order on item #3, Division B, the pool, an auxiliary drain for the pool, add on, \$2,900.00
2. Change order for Division B, change in the tile color for around the pool in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Mr. Whitsell said that the total change order that they were bringing forward to the Board of Works, for approval is \$5,088.00.

Director England made the motion to approve the change orders.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Director England made the motion to approve payment on the engineering application on Division B, the Pool, application #4 in the amount of \$36,296.00.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Director England made the motion to approve payment on the engineering application on Division B, the Pool, application #5 in the amount of \$126,299.00.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Director England moved to approve a FLMA leave for Connie Davidson, Street Department Clerk, who will have surgery. The leave will be from April 2, 2008 to May 14, 2008.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Tanya Cooper, treasurer for the local chapter for the National Association for the Education of Young Children appeared before the Board requesting that the organization be allowed to place a banner across Main Street during the week of 4/19/2008 to 4/26/2008 which will be known as THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD.

She said there would be many activities during the week and asked that the Fire Department be allowed to hang the banner. She also requested help from the Park employees and Geo to help place Purple ribbons along Broad and Main Streets.

Director England moved to approve the request.

Attorney Copenhaver: second

Mayor Small: aye

Aye vote: 3-0

Mayor Small asked that Assistant Superintendent of the Water Department, Melvin Watson and Inventory Clerk, Tim York to step forward.

Mayor Small read two letters of gratitude from the GEO GROUP, INC. for providing help with clamps to repair a main break on Saturday, January 26, 2008. The letters said that no local suppliers had the clamps that were needed to fix the break. The letters stated that both men went above and beyond for the facility. All that they did was truly appreciated.

The letters were signed by Jeff Wrigley, Superintendent of the GEO GROUP, INC., New Castle Correctional Facility and Charles S. Hamby, the Physical Plant Director of the Facility.

Mayor Small congratulated and applause was given by those in attendance to Mr. Watson and Mr. York.

Susie Thompson, Director of the Visitor’s Bureau, asked if a banner could be placed over Main Street for the Saddle Club, which will be for the Indiana State Rodeo on June 20th to the 22nd, at Memorial Park.

Ms. Thompson was advised to see what the schedule was for hanging the banner. If the dates were taken by another organization, the banner could be placed on the fencing at the Water Plant.

Department Heads:

The Water Pollution Control Department Superintendent, Randy Hamilton, commented on what a good job the Courier Times did on a couple of stories. One being about a sewer overflow that happens often and about removal of some abandoned homes. Good stories.

Street Commissioner Cross said that the Street Department was now going to the summer hours as of April 14, 2008. The hours will be from 6:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.. He said the employees at the street department are still cleaning up from the ice storm. He asked that residents be patient. He said there were approximately 300 to 400 miles for the pick up to take place.

Director England commented on what a great job the street department is doing with trying to keep up with filling pot holes and picking up tree limbs besides collecting trash. There was discussion about the potholes and how they were filled but due to the weather, the freeze and thaw, permanent patch could not be done until the weather gets nicer.

Mayor Small commented that he has now been in office 100 days. He commented and thanked every department and Superintendent of that department for a job well done.

Director England: moved for adjournment.
Attorney Copenhaver: second

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Presiding Officer of the Board of
Works and Safety

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Janice L. Lavarney, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by me this 7th day of April, 2008.
Jim Small, Mayor

