**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA**

**May 21st, 2019**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana met in regular session at 5:00pm May 21st, 2019 with the following members present: Mayor Gabriel Greer, Board Member Steve Anderson, Board Member Kristin Funk, City Clerk Treasurer Tanisha Soldi and City Attorney Dustin Kern. Also present were department heads and other interested parties.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to accept the minutes of regular meeting on May 8th, 2019

**MOTION CARRIED**

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A motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to pay claims submitted on May 8th, 2019 in the amount of $162,092.74

**MOTION CARRIED**

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A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to pay claims submitted on May 21st, 2019 in the amount of $16,901.88

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:**

None at this time.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

Clerk-Treasurer Tish Soldi opens the bids for the sale of the following city owned properties:

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| 16 Shields Ave | $1848.00- Rhonda Ousley |  |  |
| 64 N Water | $2000.00 -Kevin Martin | $2010.00 – James Baker | $200.00 - Mark Siblisk |
| 69 N Wayne | $1250.00- Clifford Lane | $1200.00 – Michael Willis |  |
| 86 E Franklin |  |  |  |
| 89 E Warren | $4065.60 – Grace Pointe Church |  |  |
| 120 N Wayne |  |  |  |
| 177 E Canal | $1860.00 – Jerry Howard |  |  |
| 212 E 3rd |  |  |  |
| 214 Euclid |  |  |  |
| 218 E 6th | $1601.00- Loretta Chandler & Chrystal Armstrong |  |  |
| 219 E Main |  |  |  |
| 276 W 2nd |  |  |  |
| 301 W 2nd |  |  |  |
| 352 E 5th | $2133.00- Cecil Bowman |  |  |
| 372 Jackson | $1641.00- Jimmy Herron |  |  |
| 382 E 6th | $2400.00 Joshua Mishler & Abigail Scott |  |  |
| 408 Monroe |  |  |  |
| 468 E Canal | $2500.00 Jeffery Correll |  |  |
| 520 E 5th |  |  |  |
| 622 w 2nd |  |  |  |
| Van Buren  | $50.00 Brad Clemons |  |  |
| E 2nd Canal Corner | $915.00- Kegan Kern |  |  |

After questions from members of the public regarding the properties with multiple bids, City Attorney, Dustin Kern let everyone know the procedure for the City receiving multiple bids. He stated that in the case multiple bids were received, another bid letter from the City would be sent to those bidders giving then an opportunity to submit another, highest and best, bid. Mr. Kern stated if there was a tie bid at that point, the final decision would be made by the city after reviewing the proposed uses for the properties.

A motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to award the bids for the properties that only received one bid.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Jessica Elrod of 33 E. Franklin St with a request to cut down a presumed dead tree in the tree lawn.

A motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to approve the tree removal at the discretion of the Street Department.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Mike Siblisk of Peru Glass & Screen Inc with a road closure request on Canal Street from Hood Street to Cass Street for their 2nd annual customer appreciation & cruise in event on Saturday, July 27th from 7AM to 3PM.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to approve the request.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Monica Shuppert of 20 Adams Avenue with a request for a “SLOW BLIND CHILD AT PLAY” sign in front of their home.

At the recommendation of Traffic Department Supervisor, Todd Wolfe, a motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to DENY the request.

**MOTION DENIED**

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John & Julie Schwartz of 518 W. 5th Street with a request to block off the 500 block of West 5th Street for their 31st annual neighborhood block party on Sunday, June 30th from 12:30PM to 3PM.

Todd Wolfe from the Traffic Department stated he would be changing the protocol for daytime events from using the type 3 barricades to the small, wooden ones.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to approve the request.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Mark Siblisk of 257 E. 6th Street with a request to cut down 2 trees in the tree lawn in front of 257 & 259 E. 6th Street.

A motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to approve the tree removal at 257 E. 6th Street but NOT the tree at 259 E. 6th Street at the discretion of the Street Department.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Peru Fire Chief Erick Hawk with a rank change request for firefighter Shawn Breitweiser to be promoted from probationary firefighter to permanent status.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to approve the request.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**LATE ADDITIONS:**

A motion was made by Board Member Funk, seconded by Board Member Anderson to add a road closure request from Smitty McMusselman’s and a police escort request from Jeremy Julian.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Smitty McMusselman’s with a request to block of Riverside drive from July 19th to early morning on July 22nd for their annual Circus City Days tent party.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to approve the request.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Jeremy Julian with a request for a police escort on Thursday, June 6th, 2019 from 10-10:30AM from the intersection of W. Lover’s Lane and Mexico Road to 2601 Meadowview Drive for a health fair.

A motion was made by Board Member Anderson, seconded by Board Member Funk to approve the request at the discretion of the Police Chief.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Mayor Greer spoke about the possibility of forming a Tree Board for the City of Peru which would handle all the tree removal requests and other matters pertaining to trees in the City. Mayor Greer stated he would look into the process and costs of having such a committee and report back to the Board.

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With nothing further to come before this board, Board Member Anderson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Funk.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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Gabriel Greer, Mayor

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Tanisha Soldi, City Clerk Treasurer