

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY – August 19, 2019**

A quorum of the Board of Public Works & Safety (Board) being present, the Board met Monday, August 19, 2019, at 3:30 p.m., in Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, Huntington City Building, in accordance with all applicable requirements, notice, and authority.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Fetters opened the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting.

Board Members present: Mayor Fetters, Dwight Brautigam, Charles Chapman, Kathy Elmore, and Anthony Lisinicchia. Also present: Director of Public Works and Engineering Services, Anthony Goodnight; Building Commissioner, Shad Paul; Director of Community Development and Redevelopment, Bryn Keplinger; Attorney, Adrian Halverstadt; City Attorney, Mike Hartburg; and Clerk-Treasurer, Christi McElhaney.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Board Member Brautigam moved to approve minutes of the August 5, 2019 regular meeting, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Minutes signed.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Fetters opened the public hearing for Salamonie Glen Street Lighting Petition. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

OLD BUSINESS:

Director Goodnight presented **BOW Resolution 2019-4: Confirmatory Resolution for Salamonie Glen Street Lighting**. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-4, seconded by Board Member Elmore. Motion passed 5-0. Resolution signed.

Director Goodnight presented an **agreement with Duke Energy for lighting at Salamonie Glen addition. The initial cost is \$11,018.19 and the monthly bill will be \$17.57**. Board Member Elmore made a motion to approve the agreement and allow the Mayor to sign on the City's behalf, seconded by Board Member Chapman. Motion passed 5-0. Agreement signed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Special Event Application for HARTA Zombie Dash was presented for October 12, 2019 to take place at Yoeman Park. Board Member Brautigam made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Board Member Elmore. Motion passed 5-0.

UNSAFE BUILDING/ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Mayor Fetters opened the public hearing for **201 W. State Street**. Commissioner Paul recommends upholding the Order of Enforcement to seal the property. The owner, William

Scheer, is deceased, no heirs have claimed the property, and no estate has been opened. With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

Mayor Fetters opened the **public hearing for 514 Lindley Street**. The owners, David and Patricia Gamble, are deceased, no family has claimed the property, and no estate has been opened. There are eight unsafe violations, ten minimum housing violations and fourteen corrective measures on the house, seven on the garage and two for the pool. With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

Mayor Fetters opened the public hearing for **538 Lindley Street**. The owners, David and Patricia Gamble are deceased, no family has claimed the property, and no estate has been opened. The detached garage has eight unsafe violations and six corrective measures of compliance. With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

Mayor Fetters opened the public hearing for **627 Court Street**. The owner is Alan VanMeter. The neighbor, Carl Pearson, spoke to the Board regarding his concerns with the property. There are twelve unsafe violations, seventeen minimum housing violations and sixteen corrective measures on the house and two on the shed. The house was deemed unfit for human habitation. With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

Mayor Fetters opened the public hearing for **433 Condit Street**. The new owner, Edgar Ayala, is requesting more time to complete the corrective measures. There are eleven unsafe violations, twelve minimum housing violations and fourteen corrective measures. With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Fetters closed the public hearing.

ENFORCEMENT ORDERS:

Attorney Halverstadt **presented BOW Resolution 2019-5**, a Resolution showing that the Department of Community Development and Redevelopment performed its due diligence in attempting to provide notice and to anyone that may have interest in the property at 201 W. State Street before it is ordered to be sealed for safety reasons. Board Member Chapman made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-5, seconded by Board Member Brautigam. Motion passed 5-0. Resolution signed. Board Member Elmore made a **motion to affirm the Order of Enforcement** to seal the building to the public at **201 W. State Street**, seconded by Board Member Brautigam. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Member Brautigam made a motion to **affirm the Order of Enforcement on 514 Lindley Street** with a deadline of September 12, 2019, then seek demolition, seconded by Board Member Chapman. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to **affirm the Order of Enforcement on 538 Lindley Street** with a deadline of September 12, 2019, then seek demolition, seconded by Board Member Elmore. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Member Chapman made a motion to **affirm the Order of Enforcement on 627 Court Street with a deadline of September 5, 2019**, seconded by Board Member Elmore. Motion passed 5-0.

Board Member Brautigam made a motion to **modify the Order of Enforcement on 433 Condit Street and allow a 60-day extension to October 27, 2019** for the new owner to complete the work, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0.

UPDATE:

Commissioner Paul **updated the Board on 220 S Jefferson Street**. The owners have repaired and replaced the windows and roof. There is a new window that needs replaced again this week and some remaining guttering needs finished. Commissioner Paul recommends releasing the Order of Enforcement at this time. Board Member Brautigam made a motion to **release the Order of Enforcement**, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Owner's representative, Jennie Smith, **requested that the \$5,000 fine be dismissed**. The owner would like to use that money to install security lighting to help deter criminal activity. Board Member Chapman made a **motion to approve the dismissal of the fine**, seconded by Board Member Brautigam. Motion passed 5-0. Clerk-Treasurer will void the invoice for the fine.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Board Member Brautigam moved to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Documentation signed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Board Member Elmore moved to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Chapman. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

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APPROVED
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
City of Huntington, Indiana

By  as Mayor and
Brooks Fetters Member


By  as Member
Dwight Brautigam

By  as Member
Charles Chapman

By  as Member
Kathy Elmore

By  as Member
Anthony Lisinicchia

ATTEST:

 as Clerk-Treasurer
Christi A. McElhaney