

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

May 27, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Common Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, May 27, 2014, at 8:30 A.M. All members were present, and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Finkel moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 20, 2014, with the exception of spelling Crystal Nanny as Nanney, and Mr. Williams seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mr. Williams moved to approve the claims as presented, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Mayor DeBaun asked Shelbyville resident John Thomas to come forward to give his presentation. He talked about a seminar that was held last fall at the Benesse Center, which was sponsored by the Governor's Council on People with Disabilities. During that seminar, Mr. Thomas said it was suggested to the group that attended to meet with City officials prior to another meeting, which is scheduled for June 4, once again at the Benesse Center. He and others attended today's meeting to hear what progress has been made or done to meet some of the standards that were mentioned at the seminar. Also, what further plans the City has to meet the standards. Dann Bird, Building and Plan Commission Director, said a couple things were being investigated. One was the resolution to support more complete streets by the City Council, and the other was where Jim Garlits was appointed to the Mayor's Task Force to look into transportation and handicap issues. Mayor DeBaun said something that has been accomplished is the number of street crossings that the City has asked INDOT to mark. He has asked INDOT about street crossings that are on all of the major intersections on state roads, but not with much luck, especially at the Vine Street and E. State Road 44 intersection, where there's no cross walk or signalization. Mayor DeBaun said for the last two years he's asked and he'll keep hammering INDOT about needed crosswalks at Kroger's store and E. Michigan Road, E. State Road 44 and Michigan Road, and Progress Parkway and E. State Road 44. At the June 4 meeting, a list will be provided of ramps that have been or will be repaired this year. Betsy Stephen asked if there was a possibility of lowering street signs for people driving vehicles that are physically handicapped and having trouble seeing street signs that are too high. She said it would be especially helpful for people driving around the City's Public Square. Mayor DeBaun asked City Engineer Matt House if he would get together with Betsy after the meeting and look specifically at the items she discussed. Mayor DeBaun thanked everyone for attending today's meeting.

Mayor DeBaun said there will be a bike ride at the Public Square this Friday, May 30, called Critical Mass. He said it is a ride to generate awareness for cycling in the community, and it's sponsored by a local cycling coalition. The ride starts at 6:00 P.M., and he encourages anyone to participate.

There being no further business, Mr. Williams moved to adjourn.

Thomas D. DeBaun
Mayor

ATTEST:

Frank M. Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer

