

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
MEETING MINUTES
November 15, 2011**

Scott Furgeson: And now call to order the Board of Public Works & Safety for uh November 15th. Before us, we have the minutes of the November 1st meeting.

Steve Howard: I move we accept the minutes.

Furgeson: I'll second. Is there any discussion? Anyone in the public wish to speak to the minutes?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0. We now have the claims before us this week.

Howard: I move we approve the claims.

Furgeson: Motion and I'll second. Is there any discussion?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak to the claims?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0. Old Business before the Public Works & Safety?

Tom DeBaun: Under Old Business, we have uh 106 E. Taylor Street that's a property owned owned by George Brown. Mr. Brown appeared at the pre-meeting this morning. We had discussion with him. He indicated that the property is being sold to an adjoining property owner and the recommendation was that this matter be continued for 60 days so that would be my request.

Howard: Make a motion that we give him 60 days before he comes back before the board.

Furgeson: And I'll second. Is there any discussion?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0. Thank you, Tom.

DeBaun: Thank you.

Furgeson: Further Old Business?

DeBaun: The other item that we have this morning, which I'm not sure why we're here this morning on this is the staff of Knight's Inn are here. I don't know why they wish to address the board, but they do, so I'll turn it over to them.

Furgeson: Okay, thank you.

(?): Well Board, I'm here because uh I was given an eviction notice uh on November 1st for the former Knight's Inn, Cavalier Resort for the basis of the roof leaks. But uh (?) and before November 1st, we had paid a man for the roof who had done....(inaudible)....to start fresh on the (?). And as per the agreement with him, we had negotiated a \$5,000 per month.... (inaudible)....

Furgeson: Hold on, I'm gonna stop you just for a second. You know quite frankly, we've been giving you I don't know how much time(inaudible)....our your problem that you're having with your roofer is none of our concern. Uh that's a personal issue and that that's that's up to you. We've we've ordered you to get the roof fixed and all we care is if it's gonna get fixed or if it's not gonna get fixed. So....

(?): It is gonna get fixed (?).

Furgeson: Well, it needs to be fixed you know within the 30 days or you're done, you under, you understand that, correct?

(?): Yes.

Furgeson: This is the (?) time that we've extended it I think, so I unless you're gonna tell me the roof's gonna be fixed in the next 10 days, I mean it doesn't matter.

(?): Yes, it will be fixed in less than 10. And now the I'm here to (?) reason 'cause I have joined hands with a investor in Chicago who's gonna assist me and that should (?)....

Furgeson: I mean I mean we really don't need to hear that it's gonna be fixed. When it gets fixed, come back and you know we'll revisit the situation.

(?): Well, Mr. Furgeson, we are doing business in Knight's Inn and with the business cash flow, we are paying our utility bill as per the order given last uh last time was that we should not take any business. We have 70 rooms which are....

Furgeson: Well those orders stand....the orders stand as is. If you don't make the repairs, it's not gonna be removed. Have you made the repairs to get it fixed yet?

(?): Yes, we have moved forward. We have....

Furgeson: So the repair is done?

(?): We have done the rooms....(inaudible)...

Furgeson: Are the repairs done?

(?): Uh not the 16 rooms we(inaudible)...

Furgeson: Okay then and that's all we care about.

(?): But at the same time....

Furgeson: Well that's all I care about. Mr. Howard can speak for himself, but he don't....
(inaudible)....

Howard: But but also on this roof is the issue to the entire place isn't it?

(?): Well it has been totally cleaned. If the board would like to visit or Mr. DeBaun just come in this morning. If you would like to come with me and we do a walk-through and if he feels any concern, then we can address within the (?). And as for as those 16 rooms, those are locked and those have got (?) because we scraped the gravel(?) on the top, but there's no reason for not to do business in 70 rooms and in the uh bar area and the kitchen area which has got a brand new roof last (?). We have roof.....

Howard: Well I'm sure if Mr. DeBaun inspects it and comes back next week and tells us everything's done, then we'll (?).

Furgeson: Until things until things are done, nothing's gonna happen. Nothing's gonna change.

(?): Mr. Furgeson, we have move forward. We've been good intent. Even the....

Furgeson: Mr. (?).....you know you don't have good intentions. We've been we've you know you've been jerking us around for a couple....Tom, when did we start with the roof?

DeBaun: We've been working on this for a couple of years.

Furgeson: Yeah, I mean a couple of years we've been you know we've been dealing with you and then you know we've we've gotten serious over the last you know six months and we've given you deadline after deadline after deadline and we extended and we extended and we extended and you did not get anything done.

(?): Uh Mr. Furgeson, I have not been jerking (?). I've been investing in this place for two year. My investor, Mr. (?) four years back, I was a broker. Invested \$400,000 in this building.....(inaudible)we mortgaged \$100,000. I took in on September 2009. I wasn't aware about the court violation 'cause it was(inaudible)....I got myself in....(inaudible)....the building code violation, I fixed them all last year. You were here at the same board meeting when the city announced it closed and it was a surprise to me. I've invested my time, energy, money, manpower and (inaudible)....in Indianapolis in this hotel which has been negative (?). For two years it has just been pouring money. I've never jerked anybody around. I stand by my word. I pay Mr. Mark Stevenson....(inaudible)....gone after him for not starting the work, but I paid him in good intent. Why? Because I said, Mark, even if you were lagging behind on payment that (?) could be kept for you. If you don't want to start work, we'll start with uh....(inaudible)....So we moving in all good intents, a total investment from my exclusive equity in two years has been \$200,000 in this Knight's Inn. Near \$100, 115 counting remodel which is \$22,000 in the new roof on the old building. If you ask me as a businessman, I'm continuously investing, not that I'm gonna make (?) money off of it, but I'm investing for the simple reason that I stand by my work. These people employees of mine, they've been asked to move out of that. They're gonna lose their jobs and they're gonna lose what's their their place of staying because they are dependent on the spaces. We wish and we request the board to consider that our good intended. I have invested my time, money, energy and I'm still moving forward in spite of the foreclosure and in spite of all the other measures include (?) remodel. I should at least be allowed to do business. With those proceeds 100% goes into this. Mr. DeBaun, I met them on 31st I (?) and I told him I (?) 2 restaurant in 3 weeks time.....(inaudible)....to pour money from those restaurants into Knight's Inn. I don't have any other sources but the business which I can bring money in. If I don't have the other hotel (?) other two little restaurant and these spaces....(inaudible)....less than \$6000 each and I can still....(inaudible)....from those two to improve the roofing. I have done nothing but good to the city the county.(inaudible)....they expect businesses to come into the city and develop.....(inaudible)....attitude from the mayor and the new mayor (inaudible)....move on. I.....(inaudible)....spend my time, money, energy if I can get a promise from everybody today that you are with me and in all (?) you moving forward together.

Furgeson: You have a list of things to complete and that were not completed that were (?). Does that that's(inaudible)....we've said for the last three months.

(?): We've been moving forward step by step completing all the.....(inaudible)...

Furgeson: Well there has been no moving forward in the last six weeks.

(?): Mr. Mr. uh

Furgeson:(inaudible)....been promised.....he has had to come to us because you have told him that things are gonna get taken care of and you tell us that things are gonna get done and things aren't getting done.

(?): No Mr. Mr. Furgeson, things have been done.

Furgeson: Is the roof fixed?

(?): We finish....

Furgeson: Is the roof finished?

(?): We have started working on the roof.

Furgeson: Is the roof finished?

(?): Not yet.

Furgeson: Okay. That's all we need to know.

Howard: Until Mr. DeBaun(inaudible)....done as we have asked....(inaudible)....

(?): But my (?) says that we should at least be allowed to do business in those 70 rooms 'til we finish the roof up. In less than 10 days, we will finish the roof up.

Furgeson: The (?) order stands as is for now.....(inaudible)....

(?): Does that mean we can do business in the rest of the 70 rooms?

Furgeson: The order stands as it was uh issued in the beginning. There is no there is no new business to happen.

(?): We will(inaudible)....and we will try and accomplish as much work we can.... (inaudible)...

Furgeson:(inaudible)....from the beginning. It didn't work.

(?): Inaudible comment.

Furgeson: Okay, thank you.

(?): Thank you.

Furgeson: Further Old Business?

No audible reply.

Furgeson: New Business?

DeBaun: First under New Business, we have the road closures for the holiday parade. I had sent out an email last week about that. Um we would like to close the circle at midnight tonight to allow the west half uh to be closed so we can deliver the houses and the ramp tomorrow. And then we'll reopen it once the house is in place. We'll then then again close it tomorrow night, uh 16th and the 17th to allow uh decoration and setup. Uh on the day of the parade, from 6:00 to 10:00, we'll need to close the uh close Harrison Street from Mechanic to Broadway and then we'll close Washington Street uh from Noble to Tompkins at the same times. We'll need no parking on Tompkins Street from Mechanic to the river that day as well. And then uh we will through the police department, uh manage traffic.

Howard: I'll make a motion to accept Mr. DeBaun's request for all the road closings.

Furgeson: And I'll second. Is there any discussion?

No reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak?

No reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0.

DeBaun: Next item of New Business, the property located at 215 N. Noble Street, there's some property presented to us by the police department as being vacant and open. We need an order to secure the property and declare it as unfit for human habitation.

Howard: I make a motion we issue an order for 215 N. Noble Street that it's be secured and unfit for human (?).

Furgeson: We have a motion and a second and I'll second it, sorry. Any discussion?

No reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak?

No reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0.

DeBaun: Finally, we have a property located at 609 W. Franklin. This is a property that was previously owned by Bryce Caffey who has passed away. It was purchased by a gentleman named Dennis Stone in Phoenix, Arizona at a tax sale. We've tried to notify Mr. Stone on three separate occasions. He has not uh claimed his certified letter. I request today is that we issue a 30 day demolition order for 609 W. Franklin Street.

Howard: I move to issue a 30 day demolition order for 609 W. Franklin Street.

Furgeson: And I'll second it. Is there any discussion?

No reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak?

No reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". Motion carries 2-0.

DeBaun: Thank you.

Furgeson: Thank you. Any further further business? Mr. Peters?

Shane Peters: I'd like to request the board's permission to advertise for the material and maintenance bids and the due date on that will be(inaudible)....

Furgeson: Okay.

Howard: I make a motion motion to let Mr. Peters advertise for the materials(inaudible).... Street department....(inaudible)....

Furgeson: And I'll second it. Discussion?

No reply.

Furgeson: Anyone in the public wish to speak?

No reply.

Furgeson: Hearing none, all in favor say "Aye". That motion carries 2-0. Thank you. Further business? One other item, uh Mr. Chief Bill Elliott will be leaving us uh going on vacation until the end of the year. Uh I don't I don't know that he's gonna be reappointed chief, but he says he doesn't wanna be reappointed chief and I don't know what the Tom is gonna do anyway, but uh we made a plaque for the City of Shelbyville in appreciation of outstanding service recognizing Bill Elliott, Police Chief, December 17, 2007 to December 31, 2011. And uh I would say that uh Chief Elliott's done an outstanding job. I don't think that uh the police department uh uh could be as bad a shape as it was when we took it over uh 8 years ago. It uh had several issues and problems uh including the chief being indicted for theft and uh I think we've brought the police department a long way and we appreciate all the service that he does and uh everything that's happened. So Chief.....

Applause.

Bill Elliott: Mr. Mayor, it's been an honor to serve uh as police chief of the Shelbyville police department and I want to personally thank you for that opportunity.

Furgeson: It didn't turn out too bad for a Democrat, did it?

Laughter.

Furgeson: Okay motion to adjourn? (?) hold on.

Howard: I make a motion we adjourn.

Furgeson: Second. All in favor?

Meeting adjourned.