BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting July 17, 2012

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, July17, 2012 at 8:29 A.M. All members were present and Mayor DeBaun presided.

Mr. Finkel moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, July 10, 2012, 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.

Under old business, City Attorney Trent Meltzer said Ed Ranochak bought a piece of old railroad property, between Hendricks and Noble Street, from the City in 2004, and he verified that was correct. Trent recommended that the Board quit-claim any interest the City has in the property to Ed Ranochak, so the interest in the title can be cleared up. Mr. Finkel moved to approve the request, and Mr. Williams seconded. Mr. Williams asked to have Trent check to make sure all property taxes have been paid in surrounding properties of that location. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mayor DeBaun asked Tamara Caudill, who lives at 315 Second St., to come forward to talk about her two dogs who killed a neighbors dog recently. She said she had recently purchased a female pit bull, which she was walking, and her six year old son was walking their American bull, which they had owned for a longer period. When their neighbor walked their small dog outside, he didn't think anything was wrong because the American bull never had any tendency to attack their small dog. However, when the female pit bull saw the small dog, she dragged Tamara across the yard, and killed the small dog. After the incident, the Animal Shelter was called; the pit bull was picked up and euthanized. The second dog was released back to Tamara, after spending time at the Shelter. Mayor DeBaun asked Mitchell Ramey and his mother to come forward to give their version of what happened. Mitchell agreed with Tamara's version, but he felt that if she keeps the American bull, she should find a place that's bigger with her own yard, because he doesn't want it to happen again. He said there are a lot of dogs and children in the place where they live, and he doesn't want another incident. Mayor DeBaun asked Keith Barrett, the Animal Shelter Coordinator, to come forward to answer questions. He said, in his opinion, the dog wasn't aggressive with other dogs when it was at the Shelter, and he felt it could be an adoptable dog for someone wanting the dog. Mayor DeBaun asked Mrs. Caudill to come forward again. Mayor DeBaun issued some orders for her to do. The first was to not let her son walk the dog because he's too young, and not able to contain the dog. The second thing was that because there are other dogs and children in the apartment complex, the dog should be muzzled when it's walked outside. The Mayor warned Tamara that if there was another incident, the Board would have no choice but to take appropriate action to euthanize the dog. Mr. Finkel moved to not let anyone other than Tamara or an adult walk the dog, and to have it muzzled any time it's outside the apartment. Mr. Williams seconded. Tamara agreed to the motions. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Under new business, Ed Myers, from Energy Systems Group, a wholly owned subsidiary of Vectren Corporation, said they work with municipalities in the area of energy and operational savings. He said they work with various Departments and look at their buildings trying to save and reduce energy costs. The company would be required to guarantee the savings that they identify as part of the project. To do it for the City, they would ask what the current costs are, compare it with the square footage of the building, and then look at a benchmark to see if there's potential to save money. They would need a letter of authorization, giving them approval to work with staff, do interviews, collect data, walk the facility, and determine if there are energy and operational savings. Mr. Finkel asked what the cost would be for these services? Mr. Myers said there would be no cost for the feasibility study, and there wouldn't be any cost until there's a contract. He said they are working with the County in trying to find savings for them, and advertising has gone out to see who can do the work. Before doing anything, Mr. Williams said he'd like to see how the County's report comes out, and how satisfied they are with it. Mayor DeBaun said he'd take this under advisement, he'll contact the County Commissioners to see if

he can get a copy of their information to review, give it to the Board, then get in touch with him in the next two or three weeks. Mr. Myers said he'd look forward to working with the City.

Dann Bird, Building and Plan Commission Director, asked the Board's permission to have a hearing within 30 days, and secure the property at 750 Fourth St. Mr. Williams moved to approve the request, and Mr. Finkel seconded. The motion was carried on a 3-0 voice vote.

Mayor DeBaun wanted to thank Brad Fix and Jennifer Jones for sending their employees to help move display cases from the Indianapolis Museum of Art. He said the City has been working for the past month to secure some cases to display a lot of the artifacts that the City has received from our Sister City, to show at the local Grover Museum in another couple of months.

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

Thomas D. DeBaun
Mayor

ATTEST:

Frank M. Zerr
Clerk-Treasurer