Joint Board of Public Works & Common Council Special Meeting Minutes July 22, 2013

The special joint meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety and the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Board of Works members Stephen Barnett and Bob Swinehamer answered roll call.

Council President Stephen Barnett and Council members Kenneth Austin, Robert Henderson, and Richard Wertz answered roll call. City Engineer Travis Underhill, Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen were also present. Council members Joseph Abban, Joseph Ault, and Stephen Hougland were absent.

New Business

Proposed 2013 Paving Program – Mayor McGuinness opened the discussion by stating that it is well known that several streets in the city are in need of significant repairs. He said that the Council's additional appropriation of \$800,000 for roads will help to tackle the needed repairs. He explained that in preparation for this meeting City Engineer Travis Underhill developed two city wide road repair and maintenance scenarios.

The City Engineer reviewed the Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating study (PASER) prepared by Schneider Corporation engineers, rating the condition of every city street. He explained that in this report roads are rated from one (1) to ten (10) with one being the lowest and worst condition rating and a rating of ten (10) being the best or the highest. Mr. Underhill stated that streets rated in the 1-3 range will require the most work. Those roads rated 4-6 are starting to fail, and the remaining roads rated 7-10 are in fairly good shape but that some may have visible cracking.

A discussion was held concerning the funds available to pay for the proposed road work. The MVH – Street Department budget includes \$200,000 for road repairs. Also the Council authorized an additional appropriation of \$800,000 from the MVH Fund last spring specifically for road maintenance and repairs. Also the 2013 LRS budget has \$91,800 designated for road work. The Clerk Treasurer stated that there are unappropriated funds available in both MVH and LRS.

The City Engineer provided the members with an estimate for both scenarios. Scenario A – total project estimate was \$1,099,532. Scenario B – project estimate was \$1,099,091. Both estimates are subject to change based on the final specifications and ultimately the bids received.

Mr. Underhill estimates that crack sealing all city streets will cost \$210,000 to \$215,000. He also estimated that reconstruction, milling, patching, and overlay could cost \$721,818 to \$889,200. He pointed out that Earlywood Drive, Maple Lane, Jackson Street, Lover's Lane (North), Creekwood Lane, Bryant Court, Younce Street, and William Avenue appear on both maps of roads to be paved.

They discussed the Scenario A - which included the engineers estimate for work including: (traditional) Crack Seal for \$210,323.00, Mill, Patch and Overlay in the estimated amount of \$770,492, Mill and Overlay at \$85,767 and Recycle and Reconstruction for \$32,950. The total of work proposed in Scenario A came to \$1,099,532.

The following is a list of the roadways that were identified as roads to be included in the proposed fall paving project:

Scenario A – Roads to be paved:

- William Avenue
- Earlywood Drive
- Branigin Creek Blvd.
- Cumberland Drive
- · Creekwood Lane
- North Shore Drive
- Younce Street
- Bryant Court
- Maple Lane
- N. Jackson St.
- S. Jackson St.
- Park Avenue
- Lover's Lane (North)
- Bartram Parkway

"Scenario B" proposes using crack seal and an asphalt conditioner called "Rejuvenate" as a pavement preservative. Mr. Underhill stated that in his opinion the combination of crack seal and "Rejuvenate" will be an effective way to preserve the roads graded six (6) to ten (10). A discussion was held. He reported that Hendricks and Johnson County plan to use the same product. He also said that the town of Avon has used the product on thirty year old streets with great results. Mr. Underhill stated that this product has been available for about 10 years. He said that the product softens and seals the blacktop to prevent cracks. In this scenario the engineer proposed reducing the amount of Mill, Patch, and Overlay and added the HMA Seal Preservative (Rejuvenate).

Scenario B – Roads to be paved:

- William Avenue
- Earlywood Drive
- Cumberland Drive
- Creekwood Lane
- North Shore Drive
- Bryant Court
- Maple Lane
- N. Jackson St.
- S. Jackson St.
- Park Avenue
- Lovers Lane (north)

Mayor McGuinness stated that due to actions taken by the Indiana Legislature both LRS & MVH revenues will increase this year and in 2014. He also said that he will propose that the City follow Scenario B. He stated that he wants to proceed with the HMA Seal program.

A discussion was held including several members of the public. This discussion resulted in a proposal from the Council President to use Scenario A - Mill, Patch, and Overlay in the amount

of \$770,492 and the balance of the work outlined in Scenario B including the HMA Seal Preservative in the amount of \$162,924. The Mayor estimated that it may be necessary to appropriate an additional \$80,000 from Local Road and Street to fund the alternate work proposed. Everyone present spoke in favor of this approach. It was referred to as Scenario B Plus.

Councilor Wertz asked if Hurricane Road will be considered a separate project. Mayor McGuinness and Mr. Underhill confirmed that it is being looked at as a separate project but that they are moving forward on that project too. A resident asked if anything was going to be done with Yandes Street. Mr. Underhill stated that since it was a brick street paving it would result in new drainage issues. A discussion was held.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Works a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer

Enrolled: 08/01/13

Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

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