

March 20, 2023

The Board of Public Works & Safety met on Monday, March 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Marion City Council Chambers. Present were Cindy Cunningham, Brian Flynn, Linda Wilk, and secretary to the board.

Motion to approve March 6, 2023 minutes-Brian Flynn; seconded Cindy Cunningham. Motion carried.

Street Department- Bid Decision

Linda Wilk: Good morning.

James Loftis: Good morning. Um well after the last time I talked to you guys we had special park board meeting the 13th and voted unanimously to give the bid to Miracle Playground for the \$307,320. And hopefully that is starting the first part of May. Um talking with the installers and it is supposed to weather permitting take about 2 months from start to finish. So...

Linda Wilk: So here you would be bringing us, was there just one bid?

James Loftis: Yeah, I just had the one bid.

Linda Wilk: Okay. And tell me again what was, how much was the bid for?

James Loftis: uh \$307,320.

Linda Wilk: Okay. Because we technically also approve this so we will need to make a motion to approve it in order for you to move forward.

James Loftis: Yes, Ma'am.

Linda Wilk: Okay. So are there any questions about the bid?

Cindy Cunningham: Will they be able to use the playground while this is going on?

James Loftis: Uh, no. While they are tearing that out it is going to have to be shut down. Um Like we said hopefully with the weather, (inaudible) weather it will go faster. Around here, what we seen Saturday it could go south. I hope not but yeah for the time once they are doing that it will have to be shut down. That is why I was hoping to get it early, early in the year that way we could just get it open.

Cindy Cunningham: And what is the name of the company again?

James Loftis: Uh Miracle Recreation Equipment Company.

Linda Wilk: And where are they from?

James Loftis: Uh they are actually out of Missouri. Our representative is John Day um, I think he mainly works in the Indianapolis area or something like that. And he is the only one that came up when we had a uh for everyone to come up and do measurements and stuff he is the only one that came up.

Linda Wilk: Any other questions? If not I will ask for a motion to approve.

Motion to approve the bid for \$307, 320 to Miracle Recreation Company- Cindy Cunningham; seconded Brian Flynn. Motion carried.

Building Department- Demolitions

Linda Wilk: Good morning.

Jerry Foustnight: Good morning, good morning, good morning. Um Whitney Gilbert, she is kind of the person that does most of the work, the paperwork on this so uh a lot of times I can't be here so she is going to be presenting today on behalf of the building department.

Whitney Gilbert: Um the first one 324 E 15th Street um that's um there was a vehicle that went through it, on part of the building. Um we sent the notice out and as far as I know we did not get any contact about our notice. I know they are having some issues with code enforcement and some vehicles. Um but no communication was made about out ten day notice about the vehicle going through. Um I think they did put up a piece of ...

Jerry Foustnight: Metal

Whitney Gilbert: Yeah it looks like a piece of metal just honestly kind of like it is laying across the opening uh so they did do that much but there is no communication made um in regards to a long term plan on how to fix it. There should be some pictures. I think two different dates should be in the pictures. It is owned, um it is owned by an LLC um but again nobody has made contact so I don't know who the person to contact would be for that.

Linda Wilk: Are there any question about this proposed demolition?

Brian Flynn: How many structures are on this property that are in question?

Whitney Gilbert: Um there are a couple different parcels um but this particular parcel I believe it's, it's this building. There is a back portion and a front portion it looks like to me. Um but there are a couple of different buildings um but when we pulled the title work and looked at the information we just pulled it for the one parcel where this building is located. It is the larger parcel of the, of the parcel that he owns or this company owns. Um but it is on the back portion of that main building there on the big parcel.

Brian Flynn: Are we talking about taking down the brick structure as well?

Jerry Foustnight: No,

Brian Flynn: Okay, just the

Jerry Foustnight: It would be the pole barn like a lien to that they have in place.

Brian Flynn: Okay.

Jerry Foustnight: And this was the damaged was caused um I received a call from the police department concerning this. This was where an automobile had driven through, through this structure and um uh that uh as you can see in the pictures all they had done was they put uh uh caution tape around there and uh so we tried to move forward with this. And then on one of the pictures back in there you will see where they just took a piece of metal and laid across it and um uh that still does not secure or or take the danger away from the structure itself.

Linda Wilk: Any other questions? This is a public hearing. Is there anyone from the public that is here to speak about this property? Not seeing anyone. With that is there a motion?

Motion to approve the demolition of 324 E. 15th Street, the lien to structure that is damaged-

Brian Flynn; seconded Cindy Cunningham. Motion passed.

314 E. 8th St.

Whitney Gilbert: Um this one we had sent out the notice um it looks like it is a duplex, like a large residential duplex. Um so we did send out the ten day notice like we normally do. I believe that was received. It was signed for and received. Um we also ordered title work like we do um, sent out the notice for this meeting. Um that was also signed for and received. Um but as far as I know no communication. We didn't receive, and our ten day notice we ask for a reply in writing um sometimes they will call instead and then they are advised to go ahead and provide something in writing. So there was nothing provided in writing. Um so that is kind of where we are with it. I know that we boarded it up before um coed enforcement may even have issues with the trash violations out there. I know sometimes when we have it on our list they will, their

process takes a lot longer sometimes when it gets into the court system than ours so um but yeah in regards to communication there was none that I am aware of.

Linda Wilk: Any questions about this property? And again I don't see anyone from the public so I am going to say that this is a public hearing if there would be someone here. Okay then I will ask for a motion for this property.

Motion to approve the demolition at 314 E. 8th St- Cindy Cunningham; seconded Brian Flynn.
Motion carried.

Jerry Foustnight: Thank you very much. We appreciate that.

Linda Wilk: Thank you. The next item is public comment. If there is anyone here that would like to make a comment we just ask that you come up to the front where the mic is, state your name, and address and you have three minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

PAYMENT OF THE BILLS- March 20, 2023

Motion to approve the payment of the bills voucher 23390, 50898-51055, 23-53988, 23-53998, 39-53988 in the total amount of \$398,347.27 Brian Flynn; seconded Cindy Cunningham. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn- Cindy Cunningham; seconded Brian Flynn.

Meeting adjourned.

Linda Wilk- President
Board of Public Works & Safety

ATTEST:

Aisha Richard- Secretary
Board of Public Works & Safety