

**BOARD OF WORKS**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2016**  
**5:00 P.M.**

Mayor Ryan Daniel – Present  
Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle – Present  
Attorney Marcia McNagny – Present  
Daniel Weigold – Present  
Walter Crowder – Present

The Columbia City Board of Works met in regular session with all members present, Mayor Daniel presiding.

**MINUTES** Mayor Daniel noted there was no finish to the topic under the discussion regarding the hiring of an additional police officer showing that the Board was all in favor.

Motion was made by Weigold to approve an overview of the September 13, 2016 meeting minutes as amended, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**ORDINANCE VIOLATION EXTENSION – DeLaCruz 514 N. WASHINGTON ST.**

Frederico DeLaCruz was present to request a 2 week extension to have his vehicle removed. He advised he had to apply for a lost title; he could not have it towed or given away without one. He stated there was also a lien on the vehicle and was waiting to hear back from the bank.

Walt Crowder felt the request was reasonable but wanted to make sure 2 weeks would be long enough. Mr. De LaCruz advised if it came down to it he could put the vehicle on a trailer and take it to his parents.

Dan Weigold was in agreement with the extension.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to extend the ordinance compliance period to Monday, October 10 at 12:00 p.m. with a report back at the Board of Works meeting on Tuesday, October 11, Weigold seconded the motion.

Mr. De LaCruz questioned if he needed to come back on October 11. Mayor Daniel suggested if the car was gone there would be no need to attend but if it was not gone then he should attend.

Upon the motion, all voted aye.

**COUPLED PRODUCTS – SPRINKLER SYSTEM LEAK** Mayor Daniel advised this had been taken care of.

**NORTHSIDE GRILL: UNSAFE BUILDING VIOLATIONS – MATT SHIPMAN** Matt Shipman explained over the summer they had been dealing with bankruptcy court on this building and were at the point where, any day, the bankruptcy court would hopefully approve the

sale of the building. He was present to make sure the Board would be in approval of them immediately starting repair work on the building.

Mayor Daniel advised the City was certainly supportive of the repair work of the building. He questioned what repair work would be done. Mr. Shipman advised the immediate things would be to fix the back wall facing the alley, get inside and start getting the first floor ready. He stated their goal was to get the building up and operational by the first of the year but certainly by spring.

The Board was supportive of the opportunity to restore the building.

**DEMOLITION – 119 N. ELM STREET** Craig Wagner, Building Inspector, was present to explain there was an issue with a fire at 119 N. Elm Street; they brought a local contractor in to bring the home down. He advised they were unsure of the owner and felt it would come down to no one claiming it. He shared it was mentioned to maybe give it to the City but there was a pile of rubble and it would eventually need to be cleaned up.

Mayor Daniel asked Mr. Wagner to get with him at a later time to discuss the property.

**MOBILITIE – FINDINGS OF FACTS** Attorney McNagny explained the Findings of Facts were a summary of the Board's reasoning for denying the request for a cell tower. She advised it would need to be approved or changed.

Attorney McNagny read aloud the recitals and Findings of Facts.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to accept the Findings of Facts as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT – VETERAN'S MARATHON** Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Veteran's Marathon street closing permit as presented for November 12, 2016, from 4 a.m. – 2 p.m., Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT – BAND ON THE RUN 5K** Motion was made by Weigold to approve the Band on the Run 5K for November 19, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. as presented, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**STREET CLOSING PERMIT – HAUNTED JAIL** Mayor Daniel shared that he asked Rosie Coyle to inform the Haunted Jail, since this happens every year, that next year if they do not get their permit to the Board prior to the start of the Haunted Jail that it will not be retroactively approved.

Motion was made by Mayor Daniel to approve the Haunted Jail street closing request from September 23 – November 6, 2016, from 6 p.m. – 12:00 a.m. as presented, Weigold seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**DISCUSSION – REQUESTS FOR CLOSINGS ON EMERGENCY BASIS** Mayor Daniel explained there were times in which businesses, building owners, etc. will come to Rosie to request sidewalks, alleys, parking spaces be shut down for a period of time. He stated he would like to have something in the record to give the Mayor the ability to approve short term requests when those things occur.

Walt Crowder understood there were those situations that pop up but would like to discuss what an emergency would consist of. He explained they could then have a guideline to go by and in the event the Mayor would not be available a proxy could fill in and we would still be consistent and fair. He advised he did not have a problem with the Mayor making the judgement call but felt they needed to define what deemed an emergency. Dan Weigold agreed.

Mayor Daniel confirmed if there were some parameters or guidelines that he could come up with the Board would be willing to entertain to approve a process. Weigold and Crowder agreed.

**UPDATE ON PROPOSALS FOR LEASE OR PURCHASE OF PROPERTY** Rosie Coyle advised only one proposal had been received that she was aware of. She explained the property was located on West Old Trail Road behind T-N-T Floral Shop.

Mayor Daniel reported Kelly Cearbaugh had reviewed the site and felt there was definitely potential there. He questioned what action the Board would like him to take. Dan Weigold felt they needed to do something and did not feel it would hurt to investigate the property. Walt Crowder agreed and was all for starting the process. Mayor Daniel advised he would have a conversation with the individuals and would probably start considering appraisers. He questioned if the proposal was for a lease or purchase. Rosie Coyle shared they would prefer to sell the property but would be open to a lease.

The Board discussed concerns on zoning and if there would be issues with EPA as well as site control.

**BILLS** Motion was made by Weigold to pay the bills as presented in the amount of \$1,357,657.53, Crowder seconded the motion, all voted aye.

**MOBILITIE – FINDING OF FACTS** Jeff Walker advised Mobilitie requested a copy of the Findings of Facts. Rosie Coyle advised it was noted on the Finding of Facts that they would receive a copy.

**DOWNTOWN PARKING – FARMERS MARKET & EVENTS** Tony Hively requested the Board revisit the Farmer's Market ordinance and parking situation due to an accident that happened this past weekend. He reviewed the current ordinance and noted Board of Works discussion from 2014 regarding parking for the Farmer's Market but the ordinance was never changed to allow for it. He advised he would like to pull in the Farmer's Market contact and maybe come up with a different course of action to deter accidents. He stated it was a safety issue he would like addressed before next year.

Mayor Daniel proposed the Ordinance Review Committee take this under consideration and work with Doug Brown from the Chamber of Commerce as well as Chris Lilly who is the Farmer's Market Master to make sure there is a revised ordinance brought before the Board prior to the start of the 2017 Farmer's Market.

**RIGHT TO LIFE PROTEST** Tony Hively notified the Board that the Right to Life group would be holding their annual silent protest on October 2, 2016 from 2 – 3 p.m. along the west side of Main Street.

**PARK DEPARTMENT - DAY OF CARING/YOUTH COUNCIL** Mark Green reported for the Day of Caring they had the Troy Center kids working at the pool as well as at Every Kids Dreamland and also had 3<sup>rd</sup> graders at Morsches Park picking up trash. He reported last week the Mayor's Youth Council painted the concrete barricades at the park. He thanked everyone for their help.

Having no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Ryan Daniel

Attest:

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Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle