

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MUNCIE, INDIANA**

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8. Request for Flex Space from Jennifer Hill 207-209 S. Walnut St. – Vera Mae’s Bistro
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10. Special Projects Department, bid approval for new playground equipment at Jack’s Park
11. Interlocal Agreement – State Road 32 Bridge
12. Adjournment

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CITY OF MUNCIE, STATE OF INDIANA
APRIL 19, 2023 MINUTES**

1. **Board of Public Works and safety, City of Muncie, State of Indiana, met in City Hall Auditorium, at 9:00 A.M.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call Members Present:** Ted Baker – Lola Mauer – Linda Gregory
4. **Approval of the Minutes for April 12, 2023:** President Ted Baker entertained a motion to approve. Lola Mauer moved to approve minutes from the April 12, 2023 meeting as printed. Linda Gregory provided a second. Motion passed by voice vote.
5. **Register of Claims:** Craig Wright, City Controller, commented there is a few claims I would like to bring to your attention.
 - ✓ Page 2 \$74,525.11 Delaware County Treasurer BOW property taxes
 - ✓ Page 7 \$61,704 Techline Sports Lighting ARP Gainbridge Field lighting
 - ✓ Page 7 \$42,450 Muncie Arts & Culture ARP local/state gov grants
 - ✓ Page 12 \$23,830 Asbestos Abatement & Mold Remediation CDBG 954 N Jefferson claim #1
 - ✓ Page 12 \$25,000 Home Savers of Delaware County CD 2022 HORP front funding
 - ✓ EFTS \$35,399.76 UMR
 - ✓ Claims run #2 Indiana American Water and Comcast \$547.87 total

President Baker asked for questions or comments. Linda Gregory refers to the payment for lighting at Gainbridge Field. She is curious of how many payments there have been and if more is coming, asking if they are reimbursement payments as well. Craig Wright informs there is only one more payment (about \$30,000) until that is cleared. Linda Gregory asks the rough total. Craig Wright believes it is about \$300,000. President Baker entertained a motion. Linda Gregory made a motion to approve register of claims **252 Records** for a total amount of **\$248,750.94** as presented. Lola Mauer provided the second. Motion passed by voice vote.

6. **Noise Exemption Authorization Application – North Central Industries Consumer Fireworks Performance Demonstration (5/6/23):** Richard Shields, President of North Central Industries, states this is an annual event held every year for their customers. He always puts together a flyer for the neighbors as well as going over to Whitley and informing them when this is taking place. Probably 500 to 1000 people will attend. There is no rain date so if they are unlucky and it rains, the event will not take place. Linda Gregory asks any noise complaints occur regarding this event. Mr. Shields states they do not but he is sure some calls come in. There is a police officer there every year that is considered security who calls dispatch to remind them of the event. Linda Gregory moved to approve the noise exemption. Lola Mauer provided a second. Questions called. Motion passed by voice vote.

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- 7. Noise Exemption Authorization Application – BSU Student Center Programs (4/28/23):** Ben Parker explains they are putting on a nice end-of-year celebration for students at Ball State. There will be fun activities on the lawn. President Baker asks the location. Mr. Parker informs it will be on the University Green outside of Ball State. Lola Mauer confirms in front of the Miller College. Mr. Parker answers yes, right by the library. Linda Gregory confirms this being an AM or PM event. Mr. Parker replies PM. Questions called. Lola Mauer moved to approve the noise exemption application. Linda Gregory provided a second. Motion passed by voice vote.
- 8. Request for Flex Space from Jennifer Hill 207-209 S. Walnut St. – Vera Mae’s Bistro:** Jennifer Hill expresses Vera Mae’s Bistro is looking to get their patio open as soon as possible, as early as this weekend. After the meeting, she will go up to the Building Commissioner’s office to pay the fees owed. She is not too familiar with the process and states this is the first year they’ve done it. President Baker assures this is something they do every year, just now being under ownership. Ms. Hill agrees and lets it be known they are not making any changes to the space and everything is still the same so new materials as far as the space goes. Linda Gregory moved to approve the request for flex space. Lola Mauer provided the second. Questions called. Motion passed by voice vote.
- 9. Street Closure Application – Game Changers R.C. Car Show (5/6/23):** James Nichols, Game Changers Riding Club, states they are trying to close 8th and Hoyt Streets for a car/bike show. The event will be to raise money to go towards helping people in the community. Last year, they raised enough money to provide assistance to funerals for the loved ones of eight families, Thanksgiving dinner for ten families and helped twelve families with Christmas. Linda Gregory confirms a copy with Police and Fire approval signatures have been provided. Recording Secretary confirms there are two documents, one has proper signatures while the other one does not. Questions called. Linda Gregory moved to approve the application for street closure. Lola Mauer provided a second. Motion passed by voice vote.
- 10. Special Projects Department, bid approval for new playground equipment at Jack’s Park:** Dustin Clark explains they are working with the Neighborhood Association and Gretchen Cheeseman to update the playground equipment inside Jack’s Park. It is horrifically outdated and they are trying to add some ADA compliant equipment for the kids and start adding phased improvements to that park. Going through the Community Development Program system, four requests were sent out and two were received back. He formally requests to move forward with one of the two, the CRG quote for \$28,343.30. The documents he has with him this morning are the bid package and quotes from each vendor. The second quote that came in was for \$45,774 from Snider Recreation Inc. President Baker asks if the CRG quote falls in line with what the department is looking for. Dustin Clark answers it does, they were hoping to get ADA compliant swings, a traditional merry-go-round and some climbing structures and ended up locking in an additional climbing structure than anticipated. Lola Mauer moved to approve the request. Referring to a discrepancy in dollar amounts, Dustin Clark explains the difference from one being roughly \$30,000 to the other \$45,000 is matching the equipment from different distributors and that the bid from Snider comes in at a significantly higher amount even though it is roughly the same dimensions. Questions called. Motion passed by voice vote.
- 11. Interlocal Agreement – State Road 32 Bridge:** Adam Leach, City Engineer, states this is an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Muncie and County of Delaware for relinquishment of a bridge. There is a current agreement between the state and city linking State Road 32 to the city. Part of that will be that the state will perform all its planned maintenance which includes two sets of roundabouts at Madison and Hackley and repaving the entirety that has not been paved starting at Tillotson ending at the bypass, respectively. The Muncie Sanitary District needs SR 32 to raise the levy there at Low Bobs Tobacco. INDOT does not want a road that is part of the levy system but the only way for the levy system to really work is for it to be part of the road. That is what started all this. Part of that is the SR 32 Bridge. In the state of Indiana, cities cannot take bridges directly from the state. So, this Interlocal Agreement allows the county to take the bridge. The county is handing over the bridge to the city as part of that. The city will take care of the maintenance and with it being brand new, it is going to be a while before any maintenance is needed. President Baker asks if the state offers any composition for future road maintenance for SR 32. Adam Leach answers \$3.3 million. President Baker confirms

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that would be after the states does everything they promised. Adam Leach answers yes, they will provide payment to the city first followed by all their projects. Linda Gregory confirms the location of this bridge, which is out by the wire mill. President Baker explains it is basically the bridge that takes you in to downtown area coming in from the east. It is nice since its recent rebuilt. Linda Gregory moved to approve the Interlocal agreement. Lola Mauer provided a second.

Rick Yencer attended a hearing in January on this project and doesn't quite remember. He confirms with the City Engineer that there are plans for a roundabout at Hackley and Main St. (also SR 32). Adam Leach answers yes. Mr. Yencer, again, states he doesn't remember that and that it doesn't sound like a good idea. Adam Leach explains that is a different project scheduled for 2027 by the state. Yencer now understands the state is going to do that after they repave and complete other improvements up and down SR 32. Adam Leach states that is correct. Mr. Yencer still doesn't think that is a good idea because roundabouts tend to slow traffic, even though some neighbors in that area want is slowed. He thinks the state needs to be more forthcoming on exactly what they are going to do. How much it is going to cost locally to maintain that road, besides the \$3.3 million planned to go towards repaving and renewing between this area and Kilgore, where they repaved last year. President Baker states the proposal at hand is the bridge, an Interlocal Agreement allowing the City Street Department to take control of the bridge. Questions called. Motion passed by voice vote.

12. **Adjournment:** There being no further business President Baker adjourned meeting at 9:16 a.m.

We will meet next Wednesday, April 26, 2023

Board of Public Works and Safety

Ted Baker, President

Lola Mauer

Lola Mauer, Vice-President

Linda Gregory

Linda Gregory, Secretary

Lacey Jones

Lacey Jones, Recording Secretary