

**PUBLIC BOARD OF WORK & SAFETY MEETING
AT CARNEGIE GOVERNMENT CENTER
143 E WALNUT STREET, NORTH VERNON
MAY 17, 2019 @ 1:00 PM**

Clerk Treasurer Gerkin opened the meeting with roll call:

Board Member: Mike Ochs
Jerry Lamb
Trent Wisner

Attorney: Larry Greathouse

Clerk Treasurer: R. Shawn Gerkin

Asst. Clk. Treasurer: Rita L. Elmore (absent)

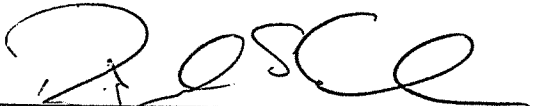
Guest present: Josh Shaw, Brad Bender, Bryce Mayer, Lewie Allen, Tim Hunt, and Paul Lincks.

Jerry made the motion to accept the minutes of the May 2, 2019 Board of Public Works & Safety meeting and the motion was seconded by Trent. Motion carried 3-0.

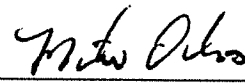
Representatives from HWC, the design firm on the city's Buckeye Street project, and FPBH, the inspection team on the project, were present to give the board an update on the progress of the construction of the project. During preliminary design, it was agreed that Duke Energy would hold the electrical poles on the south side of the street during construction if the work stayed at least six feet away from the poles. Now Duke is saying they want the work to remain at least ten feet away from their poles during construction, which is creating the need to redesign a portion of the project. Milestone, the contractors on the project, have pulled off of the job. The redesign causes multiple problems, including a delay in the project, additional costs, and the need to move the storm drain closer to the middle of the street, which will create the need to close the entire street during construction instead of keeping one lane open.

Many options and alternatives were discussed. Jerry made the motion to proceed with the design change to avoid the Duke poles and approve the full closure of Buckeye Street if necessary, without committing to an increase in construction costs. The motion was seconded by Trent. Following further discussion, the motion was carried 3-0.

Trent made the motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by the mayor. Motion to adjourn carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:43 PM.



R. Shawn Gerkin, Clerk Treasurer



Mike Ochs, Mayor