CITY OF LAWRENCE

**Board of Public Works & Safety**

**November 9, 2017**

**Regular Meeting**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Board Members Mark Forcum and Tracy Ashcraft

ALSO PRESENT: Clerk Kathleen Walton and Corporation Counsel Johnson

STAFF PRESENT: Fire Chief Batalis, Deputy Police Chief Woodruff, Streets Director Lotts and Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony were present.

Member Ashcraft called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Forcum moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on October 26, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Forcum and carried 2-0.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Pursuant to advertising, Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony opened and read aloud the bids for the 2017 road resurfacing program:

 Base

 Bid

Milestone Contractors $693,000

Mid-West Paving $662,126.54

Harding Group $798,907.20

Grady Brothers Inc. $710,408

JKES Inc. DBA Smith Projects $725,655.55

Reith-Riley Construction Co., Inc. $776,000

Calumet Civil Contractors $686,200

Baumgartner Inc. $717,802

E & B Paving, Inc. $742,268

The bids will be referred to Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony and Corporation Counsel Johnson for review and recommendation for awarding.

Streets Director Lotts requested approval of Resolution No. 5, 2017, approving the disposal of surplus property. Following discussion, Mr. Forcum moved to approve Resolution No. 5, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashcraft and carried 2-0.

Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony requested approval of Resolution No. 6, 2017, approving the dedication of right of way. Following discussion, Mr. Forcum moved to approve Resolution No. 6, 2017. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashcraft and carried 2-0.

Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony requested approval of a crossing closure agreement between CSX Transportation, Inc. and the City of Lawrence, Indiana for the rail road crossing at 46th Street and Franklin Road. Following discussion, Mr. Forcum moved to approve the agreement. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashcraft and carried 2-0.

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Fire Chief Batalis requested approval to purchase a 2018 F-350 truck from Community Ford Lincoln of Bloomington for the Fire Department in the amount of $58,810.00. Following discussion, Mr. Forcum moved to approve the purchase. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashcraft and carried 2-0.

Fire Chief Batalis requested approval of a contract with Vasey Commercial, Inc. Following discussion, Mr. Forcum moved to approve the contract. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ashcraft and carried 2-0.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS: None

CITIZENS COMMENTS: Councilor Sherron Freeman addressed the Board seeking information about the construction work on the railroad crossing at Franklin Road and 46th Street. Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony responded by saying the project is intended to improve safety and efficiency at the crossing. He went on to say they will regrade and re-align to remove the ramping effect and will install a signalized intersection. Councilor Freeman was also curious about funding. Director of Public Works and Code Enforcement Anthony pointed out the $10,000 incentive funding would come from an account determined by the Controller. The project is estimated to be completed by December 31, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m., by the unanimous vote of the Board.

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Dave Freeman, Chairman Kathleen A. Walton, City Clerk