

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2025

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, September 4, 2025, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – present.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve the Minutes of the meeting of August 28, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Bid Openings, Downtown Train Station:

Gariup Construction Co.	\$13,787,500.00
Pangere Corporation	\$13,768,368.00

Mr. Button requests this be referred to consultant. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to refer to Engineering for bid tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 25-4195

Under Matters from Other Department Heads, Mr. Button advises that Milestone will restrict traffic on 165th from Columbia to Euclid Ave. for milling and resurfacing beginning September 16, 2025, weather permitting. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-541)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$60,000 of CIB Funding be allocated for ongoing general engineering services and the Professional Agreement Services for NIES Engineering of Hammond. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-542)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$12,230 of CIB Funding be allocated for the Pavement Corings on 165th Street and Michigan Street and Agreement for Professional Services with Advanced Engineering Services of Hammond. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-543)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$12,500 of CIB Funding be allocated for the 4800 Block of Linden Alley French Drain and approval for the recommendation by NIES Engineering to award the project to Salyer Plumbing. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-544)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$65,900 of CIB Funding be allocated for the 400 Block of Fayette Street Curb Installation and approval for the recommendation by NIES Engineering to award the project to H3 Concrete. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-545)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$42,430 of CIB Funding be allocated for the Sports Plex parking and Landscaping Improvements and approval for the recommendation by NIES Engineering to award the project to H3 Concrete. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-546)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$26,296.77 of CIB Funding be allocated to restore service to the Street Lighting on Sibley, Hohman to NICTD Line and approval for the recommendation by NIES Engineering to award the project to Hawk Enterprises. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-547)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$18,500 of CIB Funding to be allocated for the Guard Rail on Howard Ave. and Ridge Street. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-548)

Correspondence received from Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Hacienda San Jose. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-549)

Correspondence received from Tamara Bunch, 1106 Drackert St. requesting the approval to close the corner of Drackert and Howard to the alley of Drackert to hold a block party on September 6, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-550)

Correspondence received from Kellie Taillon, Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce requesting consideration to waive the processing fee for the general business license. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to deny; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-551)

Correspondence received from Linda Harper, 12 Webb St., requesting to move the handicap sign away from the driveway and paint the curbs on either side of her driveway yellow due to vehicles parking too closely and not being able to safely pull in and out of driveway. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-552)

Under New Business, Agreement to Purchase Real Estate at property located at 5550 Walter Ave. submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-553)

First Extension of Agreement to Rehabilitate property located at 4934 Ash Ave. submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states this is set for status on November 20, 2025. Motion by

Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-554)

Funding Allocation Request Form requesting \$400 of the 3rd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Forestry Education Lunch for Kids - Lorax Event submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-555)

Right of Way Permits (11) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-556)

Disposal Authorizations received from Hammond Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-557)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-558)

Under Old Business, Demolition Hearing – 642 Spruce St. – No one present. Mr. Smith requests a continuance. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to September 18, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-559)

Station Exemption hearing – Nice & Easy, 4508 Calumet Ave. Mr. Smith states FUSUS is working except one camera. Mr. Novak states there have been many improvements, no ADA space near the bathroom and one window near the chip display. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve contingent upon the camera being faced the right way; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-560)

Amusement Device Late Fee – K&P Laundromat, Inc. Mr. Karl Keeter, owner present and states he did not realize the owner of the business is responsible. He thought the owner of the amusement device handles this. Ms. Serrano recommends only ½ the late fees be waived. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive ½ the fees owed; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-561)

Status – 1037 Ames – Mr. Smith states the rehab expired September 5th and would like some updated photos. Mr. Lewter states all the roughs have passed and should be done within 45 days. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on November 6, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 7339 California – Mr. Smith states the rehab expired and would like to have the homestead removed. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for October 2, 2025 for the status on the homestead; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

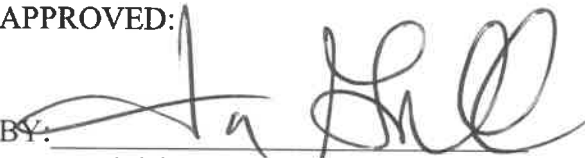
Status - 6126 Harrison – Contractor appears and states he needs 30 days to finish. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status for October 2, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status - 5217 Hohman – Contractor appears. Owners do not appear. Contractor states he has signed a contract and will apply for the permit today. He needs to order a large lift so he will probably start Monday or Tuesday and should be done within 3 weeks. Mr. Smith recommends a status next week and an order to appear. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on September 11, 2025 and an Order to Appear; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Meeting Open to the Public, Owner of 2104 Sherman appears. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on October 23, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: 
Tinisha Greenwell, Vice President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville, Board Secretary