

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 13, 2025

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:04 a.m. on Thursday, November 13, 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 November 6, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters from Other Department Heads, Mr. Smith presents a rehab Agreement for 434 Vine St. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve providing signature from owner; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-699)

911 Bauer – Emergency Order previous approved. Mr. Smith advises there is debris on the property and we are acting under the Emergency Unsafe Building Act, Mr. Rossi will be provided notice and the city will proceed to obtain quotes. This is set for next week and Mr. Rossi will be notified. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to acknowledge order and set for November 20, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-700)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from William Short, Chief of Police recommending the approval for the Petition for Retirement of Sergeant Gabriel Gutierrez who has served the citizens of Hammond for more than 22 years effective January 16, 2026; Dillon Lessard be promoted to the rank of Corporal effective November 15, 2025; and Officer David Zamora is no longer performing the duties of Field Training Officer and therefore will relinquish his FTO Specialty Pay as of October 30, 2025. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-701)

Correspondence received from Bernard Grisolia, Fire Chief requesting the following promotions and reassignments: EMT Brandon Dills to be reassigned to the rank of Private effective November 12, 2025; EMT Sebastian Diaz to be reassigned to the rank of Private effective November 10, 2025; Private Craig Johnson to be promoted to the rank of EMT effective November 10, 2025 and Probationary Julian Rutherford to be promoted to the rank of EMT effective December 5, 2025. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-702)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of the Agreement for professional services with Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc. for the US 41 Screen Wall Design and Coordination submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-703)

Correspondence received from Dunnet Bay requesting approval to restrict traffic on Kennedy Avenue to one lane only controlled by a traffic signal to complete bridge work between

Gibson Transfer Road and Michigan Street beginning November 17, 2025 for approximately two weeks. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25- 704)

Correspondence received from F.H. Paschen requesting approval for road closure on November 17-19, 2025 at 165th Street at South Shore Grade Crossing from 9PM – 5AM. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-705)

Under New Business, Disposal Authorizations received from the Hammond Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-706)

Right of Way Permits (5) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 25-707)

Under Old Business, Status – 6826-28 Kennedy Ave. Mr. Smith states the owners were here last week and requests to set over 2 weeks. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on December 4, 2025; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.


Status – 944 Murray – Mr. Smith states the rehab expires today. Mr. Polak states permits were pulled, in inspection has been called and property needs to be secured. Mr. Smith states they will proceed. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for November 20, 2025 with an order to appear; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Status – 1152 Roosevelt - Mr. Smith presents photos and the rehab has expired. Mr. Polak requests an order to rescind. No Action.

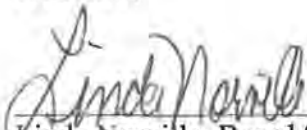
There being no further business to come before the Board, motion by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; seconded by Mr. Kalina. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville, Board Secretary