

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF MARCH 5, 2026**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:01 a.m. on Thursday, March 5, 2026, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – present.

Under Conflict of Interest, Mr. Long will not participate in police matters.

Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve the Minutes of the meeting of February 26, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Bid Openings, Quotes: Hammond Police Booster Pump Project. F.E. Morgan, Inc. - \$80,824 and Salyer Plumbing - \$68,000. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to consultant for review, tabulation and recommendation; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-083)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$16,425 of CIB Funding be allocated for the JF Mahoney Drive Ditch Improvements construction and corresponding Agreement with NIES Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-084)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$120,500 of CIB Funding be allocated for the realignment design of Willow Court at State Street and corresponding Agreement with First Group Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-085)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$1,985.55 of CIB Funding be allocated for the invoice from Hawk Enterprises to restore street lighting on Sibley Supplemental – Hohman to NICTD line. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-086)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of \$18,567 of CIB Funding be allocated for the replacement of benches and trash receptacles on Hohman Avenue to be installed by Public Works. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-087)

Correspondence received requesting the approval of \$126,083.51 of 4th District Gaming Funding to be allocated for the decorative lighting project on Lawndale from Hohman to State Line with Hawk Enterprise. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-088)

Correspondence received from NIES Engineering recommending the bids for the 2026 Road Maintenance Program be awarded to Site Services, Inc. who was the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-089)

Correspondence received from Milestone requesting to make traffic alterations with the Phase 3 of the Hohman Ave. project: flip traffic from the west side of Hohman to the east side, close the west approach of Clinton St., and maintain one lane of traffic for each direction on the east side of Hohman to take effect on/after March 9 and is anticipated to last until the middle of May. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-090)

Correspondence received from Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Home Plate Pub. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-091)

Correspondence received from Controller's Office requesting the approval of the Proposal for Lab Services in support of the Hammond Fire Department physicals. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-092)

Correspondence received from the Hammond Optimist Youth Sports requesting the approval to hold a parade on Friday, May 1, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. with parade route and approval from the Hammond Police Department. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-093)

Under New Business, Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement with Hammond Department of Redevelopment to transfer property located at 4147 Hohman Ave. and 4149 Hohman Ave. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-094)

Certificate of Self Insurance received from the Controller submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-095)

Right of Way Permits (6) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-096)

Request for Late Business License hearing submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for March 12, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-097)

Notice of Violation Hearing for property located at 6732 Forestdale Ave. Inspector Pajdzik states an inspection was done and there was work on the property to make a kitchen in the basement. Owner was cited and agreed to remove the kitchen. Mr. Pajdzik is requesting to approve the order to remove kitchen. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-098)

Hearing – Late Business License for Lori Ann’s Preschool. Owner Tinisha Wilcox appeared. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fees; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-099)

Under Old Business, Status – 2104 Sherman - Mr. Smith states the 1st extension has expired. Mr. Polak states he is happy with the progress being made on the inside. Mr. Fentress appears via Zoom and states he should have completed in a month. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on May 7, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Late Rental Registration Hearings, 4924 S. Elm, 4425 Elm, and 6258 Van Buren Ave. – Owner appears and forgot to pay. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fees for all three properties; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-100)

1323 Stanton Ave. Mr. Lewter states no show, no action. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Smith Sersic; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-100)

1244 Indiana St. Owner Ms. Veronica Barriga appears with translator. She bought the house last year and didn’t know it needed to be registered then. Mr. Lewter requests she remove the homestead. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee and remove the homestead; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-100)

Under Open to the Public, Mr. Filipe Hernandez, owner of 1137 Indiana states Jordan told him this was on the demo list and the law department told them it was not. Mr. Smith states work has been done without permits, sign issue on Calumet has not been resolved and will move forward with the demo action. Mr. Hernandez states he will complete the renovation within 1 ½ -2 months. Mr. Smith is okay with this and would like to set for status. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on April 2, 2026; 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 9:26 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:



Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:



Linda Norville, Board Secretary