BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MINUTES OF APRIL 30, 2026

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:03 a.m. on Thursday, April 30, 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 April 23, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Bid Openings: Demolition of 600, 626 177th St.

JM Industrial Services	$291,800
Actin Contracting, LLC	$893,500
Underground Excavating Solutions	$266,800
C. Lee Construction Services	$376,800
KLF Enterprises	$182,800

Mr. Smith requests this be referred to Inspections for review, tabulation and recommendation. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve the request; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. Res. No. 26-4208

Matters from Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Button advises that Jason Lenson is here from Purdue and they have a right of way request that will be submitted next week for Purdue for parking lane closure/restrictions to connect sewer at Woodmar/173rd. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve contingent upon having paperwork next week; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Mr. Button states the Board approve closure on Summer Street at Willis scheduled to start Monday the advance notification has been posted, just wanted to give you an update on Summer Street closure that was approved last week.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button recommending that the quote for the re-roofing of the Dan Rabin Plaza be awarded to Korellis Roofing in the amount of $65,208.00. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-204)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of the Right-of-Entry Agreement with the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District for the Monon Corridor Pedestrian Tunnel project submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-205)

Correspondence received from Dean Button requesting the approval of the 2026 Road Maintenance Program Agreement with Site Services submitted for approval. Mr. Button advises that funding will follow next week. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-206)

Correspondence received by Dean Button requesting the approval of the 165th St. Improvement Project from Kennedy Ave. to Grand Ave. Agreement with Rieth Riley Construction submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-207)

Correspondence received from Larson Danielson requesting to temporarily close the trail between Douglas St. and Fayette St. from May 11, 2026 until July 1, 2027. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-208)

Correspondence received from Jim Taillon requesting $11,000.00 of 1st District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Hermit's Park improvements submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-209)

Correspondence received from Jim Taillon requesting $310,000.00 of 3rd District Gaming Fund be allocated for Harrison Park Pond Project submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-210)

Correspondence received from Engineering requesting $277,000.00 be allocated for 6th District Resurfacing submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-211)

Correspondence received from Ron Novak requesting the approval of the Proposed Licensing Agreement with SES Environmental granting access to city property adjacent to 7305 Kennedy Avenue to determine the extent of contamination from a suspected petroleum release from the GoLo Gas Station at that location. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-212)

Correspondence received from Bernard Grisiola, Fire Chief requesting the approval of the renewal contract with Malinowski Consulting Group for the Preparation of Medicaid Ambulance Cost Reports 2025-2026-2027. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-213)

Correspondence received from New Zion Temple Church requesting to block off Tapper Street from the corner of Merrill Street to the corner of Morris Street on June 13, 2026 from 10AM – 6PM for their outside community event. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-214)

Correspondence received from New Zion Temple Church requesting to block off Tapper Street from the corner of Merrill St.to the corner of Morris St. on September 17, 2026 through September 20, 2026 from 10AM – 8:00PM each day for their conference event. Mr. Smith states this may be considered a special event which the city is working on the form and process and concerns regarding emergency vehicles. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to defer the decision until further information; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-215)

Correspondence received from the Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Hacienda San Jose and Just 1 More. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-216)

Correspondence received from Jeffery Long, Chief of Police requesting the termination of Probationary Officer Briana Davis effective close of business April 27, 2026. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. 2-1-0 abstained. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-217)

Correspondence received from Daniel Marcus requesting permission to park film crew trucks on the North East side of Fayette St. from Oakley to the trail, North side of Russell St. from Oakley to the trail, and West side of Oakley. Filming will take place at 489 Fayette St. starting May 12, 2026 through May 14, 2026 from 5:00AM to 8:00 PM. Mr. Marcus appears via Zoom. Mr. Smith has concerns with it affecting the trail. Mr. Button states this will not be affected. Mr. Long states they are asking permission to park the trucks. Mr. Marcus states there will be a motorhome, 10 ton truck will need to park close to the location, 4-5 box truck, and private vehicles, 7 trucks and rest are personal vehicles. He is wondering who would own the triangle piece of property next to the brewery. Mr. Smith states that is owned by 18th Street Brewery and reach out to them. Film location is not utilizing public property only the side walk around the building, maybe staging of equipment on the sidewalk, want to keep it passable. This would only be for one day, not sure which day as of now. Mr. Long advises if he does need a police officer present, he would have to hire one. Mr. Smith has no objection of they are not blocking streets and if there is an intent to film outside of the sidewalk, will need to know in advance. Mr. Marcus understands, which will do a walkthrough on the 7th of May. Mr. Smith would like to know if they could move it up and report on the 7th, that would benefit the city. Mr. Long will meet with the walkthrough so he knows before it is approved. Mr. Smith suggests to approve contingent upon the report after the walkthrough and adjust accordingly. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve contingent upon a walkthrough; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-218)

Correspondence received from Joel Prado, 7006 Birch Ave. requesting a No Parking or a No Parking from Here to Corner sign on the 170th Street side of the residence. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to forward to Engineering; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-219)

Correspondence received from Anne Taylor, requesting the approval of the Resolution Authorizing The City of Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety, To Enter Into An Intergovernmental Agreement With The Hammond Redevelopment Commission To Transfer Real Estate located at 96 Gostlin St., 134 Gostlin St., 242 Gostlin, 4518 Sheffield Ave. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-220)

Under Matters from Board Members, Ms. Greenwell presents a Funding Allocation requesting \$30,000 of the 2nd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Columbia Park Bathroom Upgrades. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-221)

Under New Business, Late Business License hearing – Unique Paving Seal Coating. Owner present. Motion by Mr. Kalina to waive the late fee; seconded by Ms. Greenwell. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-222)

Late Business License hearing – Steel City Trends. Owner Present. Motion by Mr. Kalina to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Long. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-223)

Right of Way Permits (2) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-224)

Garage Sale permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-225)

Notice of Violation for property located at 6936 Magoun Ave. Mr. Pajdzik advises an inspection was performed and found an illegal basement bedroom and request it be removed and all the demo work be performed by a license contractor. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-226)

Under Old Business, Status 4934 Ash. Mr. Polak presents updated photos, a final inspection was completed of the roof and exterior, they are finishing up dray wall and requests 60-day status. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on June 25, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 7113-15 Hohman Ave., 1462 Summer St., 1135 Lyons St., 538 Lewis St., and 926 Field St. Property Manager appears and states she was newly appointed to this position. Ms. Greenwell states that Hohman had a late fee waived in 2024. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee for 7113-15 Hohman and waive the others; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-227)

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 9:44 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY: ______________________

Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:

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Linda Norville, Board Secretary