

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 2026

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, June 11, 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 May 21, 2026, May 28, 2026 and June 4, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Matters From Other Department Heads/Their Representatives, Mr. Button would like to say the city did an amazing job with the storm that pass through and was very impressed.

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Jeffery Long, Chief of Police requesting the approval of Officer Michael Gallardo to be promoted to the rank of 1st Class Patrolman effective June 26, 2026; an officer to be placed on paid Administrative Leave as of May 26, 2026; Officers Chris Elkins and Alex Mendieta shall receive SWAT Team Specialty Pay effective May 27, 2026; and a disciplinary action. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. 2-0-1 abstained. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-312)

Correspondence received from Dean Button advising of the request from INDOT for the southbound Indianapolis to eastbound I80/94 ramp closure starting midnight June 22, 2026 through noon on July 2, 2026. Mr. Button states this is for information purposes. No action. (Ins. No. 26-313)

Correspondence received from Rieth-Riley requesting full closures for the southern approach to 165th for both Colorado Ave. and Illinois Ave. beginning Monday, June 15, 2026 and reopen by the end of day Friday, June 19, 2026 for repairs on sewer structures at both intersections. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-314)

Correspondence received from NIES Engineering recommending that the Hammond Sportsplex Grinder Project be awarded to the lowest, responsive and responsible quoter, Salyer Plumbing, in the amount of \$122,500. Mr. Button states the CIB Funding will be approved on Monday. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-315)

Correspondence received from NIES Engineering requesting the approval for Change Order #1 for the JF Mahoney Ditch Improvement Project. Mr. Button states this is for no extra cost. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-316)

Correspondence received from the City of Whiting requesting street closures for their Annual 4th of July Parade from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM in addition to no parking signs be placed

along the parade route including Indianapolis Blvd. from 5 Points to Atchison Ave. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-317)

Correspondence received from Brian Miller, Director of Safety, Purdue University Northwest advising of their outdoor movie nights from 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM on June 3, 2026, June 17, 2026, July 16, 2026, August 5th, 2026 and August 12, 2026. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-318)

Correspondence received from Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Top Tier Meeting Place, Game Time III Bar, Portside Pub and Spirros Country Lounge. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-319)

Under New Business, Funding Allocations submitted for approval: \$80,00 from 3rd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Harrison Pond Project – Liner Installation; \$80,000 from the 3rd District Gaming fund for the Harrison Pond Project - Liner Installation #2; \$60,000 from 6th District Gaming Fund to be allocated to the Park Gaming Fund FOTL; and \$2,373.25 of the 3rd District Gaming Fund to be allocated for the Black History Month Breakfast. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-320)

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. 26-321)

Disposal Authorizations received from the Police Department submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. 2-0-1 abstained. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-322)

Notice of Violation hearing for property located at 6926 Alexander Ave. Mr. Pajdzik states an inspection was completed and a basement bedroom was found with no permits, ceiling heights and requested to be removed. Owner has a contractor ready to remove. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-323)

Late Business License hearing for House of Beauty N Designs. Mr. Martin appears and states she was not open, had to do some remodeling and is ready now to open. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-324)

Special Events – Pat Mac Ride for June 26, 2026 with police approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-325)

Special Events – Graduation Party – Katrina Guardiola, 6750 Schneider Ave. June 27, 2026 from 1:30 PM until 11:00 PM. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve until 10:00 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-326)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to approve; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-327)

Under Old Business, Status 1728 Stanton. Mr. Smith states this is a three unit. Mr. Polak states that they are working on the interior the final deadline is August 1, 2026. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to set for status on August 6, 2026; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried.

Under Rental Registration Hearings, 638 114th. Owner states this was an oversight. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

616-18 Locust St. Owner does not appear. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to impose the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

4522 Oak Ave. Owner present. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

838 Truman St. - Owner owns the last three and they are single units. Owner states he moved in the 694 Walnut property. Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

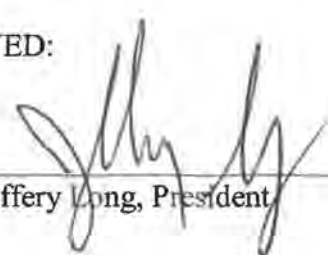
837 Eaton St. - Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

938 Becker St. - Motion by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; seconded by Mr. Kalina. AYES ALL. Motion carried. (Ins. No. 26-328)

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 9:23 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville, Board Secretary