

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2026

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety convened at 9:02 a.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2026, in the Council Chambers of Hammond City Hall. A roll call was taken: Mr. Long – present; Ms. Greenwell – present; Mr. Kalina – absent.

Due to the absence of Mr. Kalina, normal rules of procedure are suspended.

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

Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve the Minutes of the meeting of June 11, 2026; concurred by Mr. Long.

Under Bid Openings: Quotes for Disposal of Salvage Building Materials. Grimmer Construction - \$56,000; Dyer Construction - \$10,700. Mr. Button states this is for building material that has been stored at the Sanitary District for at least 16 years. Mr. Button recommends the quote to Dyer Construction as the low, responsive quoter. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-329)

Under Matters from Department Heads or their Representatives, Mr. Smith advises that he has a Memorandum of Understanding that he wants to inform the Board that he will sign on behalf of the city that relates to an issue of public safety between the Chicago Police Department and Hammond Police Department and ask the Board next week to ratify it. No action. (Ins. No. 26-340)

Mr. Button recommends the approval of the CIB Funding Allocation for the Sportsplex Grinder Project for \$122,500. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-341)

Mr. Button recommends the approval of the CIB Funding Allocation for the resurfacing of 179th Street between Cline Avenue and the Little Calumet River Bridge in the amount of \$300,000 which will be split ways with Highland and the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-342)

Funding Allocation for the 2026 Sidewalk Program in the amount of \$300,000 submitted for approval. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-243)

Under Correspondence, correspondence received from Dean Button recommending the Board declare an emergency on the Hammond Police Headquarters for roof repairs due to two tower roofs leaking which require corrective action. Mr. Smith states this is an emergency based

on a report from the police department and Mr. Button and appears to create a substantial issue to that part of the building which needs to be figured out as soon as possible. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-344)

Correspondence received from the Controller's Office requesting the approval of the renewal of amusement device license for Anchor Inn and American Legion Post 232. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-345)

Correspondence received from Ron Novak requesting the approval of the Proposed Licensing Agreement with EnviroForensics, LLC granting access to city property located at 837 Hoffman Street to test the soil and groundwater. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-346)

Correspondence received from Jim Taillon requesting \$5,000.00 of 4th District Gaming Fund to be allocated to Park Gaming Fund 2449 submitted for approval. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-347)

Under New Business, Agreement to Rehabilitate Property Located at 6646 Nevada Avenue submitted for approval. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve and set for status on September 24, 2026; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-348)

Findings and Order for 1648-52, 1654-58 & 1670 175th Street submitted for approval. Mr. Smith states this is Gavit High School and is set for demolition and has received correspondence from the attorney for the School City, Mr. Harris who has requested a continuance to July 9, 2026. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to set for status for July 9, 2026; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-349)

Notice of Violation hearing for property located at 1511 174th Pl. Mr. Pajdzik states the property was inspected and contained a non-conforming basement bedroom, owners have hired a contractor to remove the bedroom, inspection passed on June 2, 2026 and request to affirm the order. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-350)

Special Events – Family Reunion, Janda Taylor, 939 Field St. June 26, 2026 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Request to close Tapper Street from Merrill to Field Street. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-351)

Special Events – Street Closure, Otis Armstrong, 5252 Hohman Ave., June 25, 2026 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM. Request to close Muenich Court from Hohman to HAST. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve pending there is no interruption with summer school; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-352)

Special Events – Birthday Party, Christopher Gamez, 3611 165th St., June 28, 2026 from 12:00 noon to 6:00 PM. Request to close Martha St. from Indianapolis Blvd. to the alley behind the Old Glory Tavern. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-353)

Special Events – Block Party, Yasmin Garcia-Hernandez, 6139 Garfield St., July 4, 2026 from 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Request to close the 6100 block of Garfield. Signatures attached. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-354)

Right of Way Permits (3) received from Engineering submitted for approval. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-355)

Garage Sale Permits submitted for approval. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to approve; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-356)

Mr. Smith states there was a fire disciplinary hearing set for today but by agreement it has been reset for June 25, 2026. Chief and attorney for firefighter has been informed.

Old Business, Rehearing on Late Rental Registration – 7107 Alexander Ave. Ms. Coney states she receive the notice in the mail. Mr. Lewter states the original hearing was set for June 4th. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-357)

Rehearing on Late Rental Registration – 3335 175th Place. Mr. Sutton appears and states his property is vacant. Mr. Lewter states he can pay the \$5 today and come in when he gets a tenant to complete the paperwork. If not occupied by October 1st, he is required to pay the \$300 vacant property registration fee. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-358)

Rehearing on Late Business License – Rich's Roofing. Ms. Doss appears and states they have paid a contractor's license fee for 26 years, has never been late and did not know about this license and asking late fee to be waived. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to waive the late fees; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-359)

Under Late Rental Registration Hearings. 6743 Missouri Ave. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long. (Ins. No. 26-360)

6433 Ohio Ave. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

6374 Maryland Ave. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3805 173rd Pl. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3642 173rd St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3324 175th St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3320 175th St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3316 175th St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

3303 Kenwood Ave. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

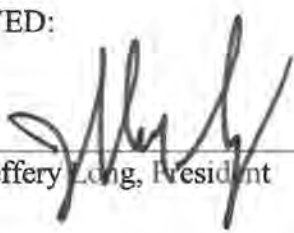
3249 163rd St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

1324 170th St. Recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to assess the late fee; concurred by Mr. Long.

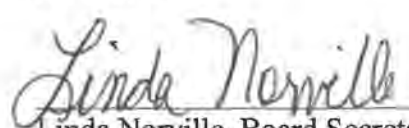
There being no further business to come before the Board, recommendation by Ms. Greenwell to adjourn; concurred by Mr. Long. The regularly scheduled meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

APPROVED:

BY:


Jeffery Long, President

ATTEST:


Linda Norville, Board Secretary