

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY MEETING MINUTES

COUNCIL CHAMBER

Thursday, May 15, 2025

4:00 P.M.

Board Members Present: Todd Titus, Mayor Pro Tem John Burnsworth **Also Present:** Clerk-Treasurer Melanie Penn, City Attorney Doug Lehman

Department Heads Present: Police Chief Jason Mooney, Fire Chief Andy Oswalt, Park Superintendent Adam Hall, Justin Adams for Street Superintendent Scott Richardson, Building Commissioner Jeff Knee. Wastewater Superintendent Bob Gray was absent.

MINUTES

Titus motioned to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2025 meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CITY CLAIMS & SEWAGE CLAIMS

Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth motioned to approve the City claims and Sewage claims. Titus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Special Event Application Founders Festival/Cruise-in/Parade. A member of the committee was present to answer questions and noted that the parade route has been changed from last year. Titus motioned to approve the application. Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2. Special Event Application Honeywell Plaza Music Series. Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth motioned to approve the application. Titus seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 3. Special Event Application First Fridays Street Festivals in June, July, and August. Shane Waters, Executive Director of Downtown Wabash, was present to answer questions. He explained they want to close not only Miami Street between Market and Canal but also Canal from Miami Street to Wabash Street for safety reasons as well as offering merchants more space. Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth motioned to approve the application. Titus seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 4. Bid Opening for Street Department truck. Two bids were received from local dealers: Shepherd's Chevrolet and Wabash Valley Chrysler. There was discussion over the

difference between the bids regarding the type of truck priced. Attorney Lehman recommended the Board take the bids under advisement and ask the Street Department to bring back a recommendation at the next meeting of the Board of Works. Titus made that motion; Mayor Pro Tem Burnsworth seconded. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no questions from the audience.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

There were no reports from department heads.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board of Works meeting will be held on Thursday, June 5 at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 pm

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Wabash Board of Works meeting. Due to technical difficulties, a video recording of this meeting could not be created.

Mayor Scott A. Long	Member
Todd Titus	Member
Jim Reynolds	Member