# REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON, INDIANA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY March 17, 2025

A quorum of the Board of Public Works & Safety (Board) being present, the Board met for its regular meeting on Monday, March 17, 2025, at 3:30 p.m., in accordance with all applicable requirements, notice, and authority.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Strick opened the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting.

Board Members present: Mayor Strick, Danielle Albertson, Megan Bonbrake, and Anthony Lisinicchia. Also present: Director of Public Works and Engineering, Adam Cuttriss; Mike Hartburg, City Attorney; and Christi McElhaney, Clerk-Treasurer.

<u>PUBLIC HEARINGS</u>: Mayor Strick opened the public hearing for Resolution 2025-4: Amending Schedule of Administrative Costs. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

Mayor Strick opened the public hearing for Resolution 2025-5: Amending Schedule of Abatement Costs. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

Mayor Strick opened the public hearing for Resolution 2025-6: Amending Processing Expenses of Unsafe Property. With no one wishing to speak, Mayor Strick closed the public hearing.

<u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</u>: Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve minutes of the March 3, 2025, regular meeting, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Minutes signed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**:

Director Cuttriss recommended that the 2025 Nuisance Mowing bid be awarded to Sands Outdoor Service for \$45.00/mow. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the 2025 Nuisance Mowing bids and authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor signed contract.

Director Cuttriss recommended that the 2025/2026 Park Mowing bid be awarded to Ground Control for \$60,420/year. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the 2025 Park Mowing bids and authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor signed contract.

Director Cuttriss recommended that the 2025/2026 City Utility Mowing bid be awarded to Sands Outdoor Service for \$62,100/year. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the 2025 City Utility Mowing bids and authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor signed contract.

Director Cuttriss recommended that the 2025/2026 US 24 Right of Way Mowing bid be awarded to Ground Control for \$24,000/year. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the 2025 City Utility Mowing bids and authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 4-0. Mayor signed contract.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

City Attorney Hartburg presented **BPWS Resolution 2025-4**: **Amending Schedule of Administrative Costs.** Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-4, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Resolution signed.

City Attorney Hartburg presented **BPWS Resolution 2025-5**: **Amending Schedule of Abatement Costs**. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-5, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 4-0. Resolution signed.

City Attorney Hartburg presented **BPWS Resolution 2025-6**: **Amending Processing Expenses for Unsafe Property**. Board Member Albertson made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-6, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Resolution signed.

Director of Human Resources Rhonda Smelser presented **BPWS Resolution 2025-7**: **Amending Employee Handbook for Holiday and Vacation Policy.** Board Member Bonbrake made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-7, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 4-0. Resolution signed.

### **ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:**

Commissioner Paul updated the Board: **245 Riverside Drive.** The new owners purchased the property on February 19, 2025 and have not contacted Commissioner Paul with a timeline or a plan for completing the corrective measures for compliance as directed. Commissioner Paul recommends moving forward with demolition bid opening. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to open the bids for demolition on this property, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Paul opened bids for **demolition for 245 Riverside Drive** as follows:

Amor Excavating \$16,540.00 Zahm Excavating \$14,300.00

Board Member Bonbrake made a motion to take the bids under advisement, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Paul updated the Board: **18 Whitestine.** The owners have not contacted Commissioner Paul about the corrective measures for compliance. Commissioner Paul recommends moving forward with demolition bid opening. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to open the bids for demolition on this property, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0.

Commissioner Paul opened bids for **demolition for 18 Whitestine** as follows:

Amor Excavating \$10,645.00 Zahm Excavating \$9,100.00

Board Member Albertson made a motion to take the bids under advisement, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 4-0.

## **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Board Member Lisinicchia moved to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 4-0. Documentation signed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Board Member Lisinicchia moved to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

SATETT, City of Huntington, indiana	
By	as Mayor and
Richard Strick	Member
By	as Member
Danielle Albertson	
By	as Member
Megan Bonbrake	
By	as Member
Anthony Lisinicchia	

APPROVED BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS &

SAFETY City of Huntington Indiana

ATTEST:
\_\_\_\_\_\_as Clerk-Treasurer
Christi McElhaney

A signed copy of these approved minutes is available by request in the City Clerk-Treasurer's Office at 300 Cherry St., Huntington, IN 46750.