

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON, INDIANA
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
December 15, 2025

A quorum of the Board of Public Works & Safety (Board) being present, the Board met for its regular meeting on Monday, December 15, 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, Anthony Lisinicchia, and Luke Runyan. Also present: Police Chief, Cory Boxell, Director of Operations, Annette Carroll; Shad Paul, Building Commissioner; Bryn Keplinger, Director of Community Development and Redevelopment; Mike Hartburg, City Attorney; and Christi McElhaney, Clerk-Treasurer.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve minutes of December 1, 2025, regular meeting, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Minutes signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sharon Metzger, **Main Street Director**, presented the **2025 report**. Questions were asked and answered. The **2026 Main Street contract was presented for approval for \$40,000**. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the 2026 contract agreement, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Agreement signed by Mayor Strick.

America Carrillo, **Lafontaine Arts Council Director (LAC)**, presented the **2025 report**. She took over as Director in April 2025. They changed to subscriptions for classes and it seems to be working better for cash flow. She is organizing a Gala on Valentines Day for a fund raiser for the LAC. The **LAC 2026 agreement was presented for approval for \$25,000**. Board Member Runyan made a motion to approve the agreement and allow the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Strick signed the agreement.

Director Carroll presented the **2026 Employment Agreements for approval**. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Board Member Runyan. Motion passed 5-0. Agreements signed.

Police Chief Boxell presented a **First Responder Drone contract with Axon for 5 years for \$40,585 per year**. After some questions and discussion, Board Member Runyan made a motion to approve the contract and to authorize the Mayor to sign, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Strick signed the contract.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:

STATUS UPDATE:

765/769 E. Washington Street, an owner representative was present. According to Building Commissioner Paul, to date, they have not taken any action to address the corrective measures listed in the Order of Enforcement. This property's back porch roof needs secured immediately before it collapses.

After much discussion, Board Member Runyan made a motion to modify the Order of Enforcement and allow a 30-day extension, motion dies for lack of second. Board Member Bonbrake made a motion to modify the Order of Enforcement to allow **30-day extension and assess a \$2,500 willful failure to comply fine**, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 4-1. Ayes: Albertson, Bonbrake, Lisinicchia and Strick. Nays: Runyan.

631 First Street, an owner representative was present. According to Building Commissioner Paul, to date, nothing has been done to address the corrective measures. The immediate fix to the property is to remove the hanging antenna from the front of the house. The owner plans to list the property to sell, and it has been winterized. Board Member Bonbrake made a motion to modify the **Order of Enforcement and allow a 30-day extension and also assess a \$2,500 willful failure to comply fine**, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

Board Member Lisinicchia moved to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Documentation signed.

ADJOURNMENT:

Board Member Lisinicchia moved to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY,
City of Huntington, Indiana

By Richard Strick, as Mayor and Member

By Danielle Albertson, as Member

By Megan Bonbrake, as Member

By Anthony Lisinicchia, as Member

By Luke Runyan, as Member

ATTEST:

By Christi McElhaney, as Clerk-Treasurer