

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON, INDIANA
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
January 5, 2026

A quorum of the Board of Public Works & Safety (Board) being present, the Board met for its regular meeting on Monday, January 5, 2026, 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 15, 2025, regular meeting, seconded by Board Member Runyan. Motion passed 5-0. Minutes signed. Board Member Albertson made a motion to approve the minutes of January 5, 2026, executive session, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. Motion passed 5-0. Minutes signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police Chief Boxell recommended hiring, Ignatius First as a new police officer for City of Huntington. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0.

The 2026 TRECS contract was presented to the Board for approval. This is a mechanism that the State of Indiana created for units of government so those units can collect on judgments by setting off state tax return amounts. The City has been successful using this system for the past several years. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to approve the contract, seconded by Board Member Albertson. Motion passed 5-0. Mayor Strick signed the contract.

Director Carroll presented the **2026 Teamsters Union Contract amendments for approval.** Board Member Albertson made a motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. Motion passed 5-0. Agreement signed.

ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT:

STATUS UPDATE:

Commissioner Paul presented an update on **1327 E. Market Street**. There is a new owner as of December 18, 2025. Commissioner Paul has not yet heard from the new owner. No action has been taken to address the corrective measures listed in the Order of Enforcement. Board Member

Runyan made a motion to modify the Order of Enforcement and allow a 30-day extension, motion died for lack of second. Board Member Lisinicchia made a motion to affirm the Order of Enforcement with the deadline of December 28, 2025 and to seek demolition bids to be opened at the January 20, 2026 meeting, seconded by Board Member Bonbrake. 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 Bonbrake moved to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Lisinicchia. 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 Luke Runyan, as Member

By Anthony Lisinicchia, as Member

ATTEST:

Christi McElhaney, as Clerk-Treasurer