

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA,**

**March 5, 2024**

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The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:00 March 5, 2024, with the following members present: Mayor Don Sturch, Board member Jim Walker, Clerk-Treasurer Kurt Krauskopf, City Attorney Dustin Kern. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties.

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A motion was made by Board Member Walker, seconded by Board Member Sturch to approve the minutes from the February 20, 2024, meeting.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Payment of Claims Corrected	\$ 316,838.76	Motion-Walker Second Sturch
Regular Payroll:	\$	Motion-
Crossing Guard/City Council Pay	\$	Motion-
Fire/Police Pension	\$	Motion-

**MOTION CARRIED**

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- **OLD BUSINESS:** Request by Circus City Festival for street closures during the festival from July 13<sup>th</sup> through July 20<sup>th</sup>. The areas are the same as in previous years. Motion was made by Board member Walker, seconded by Board member Sturch, to remove this request from the table. Motion Carried. The city has received a hold harmless agreement from the circus. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by board member Sturch, to approve the request. Motion carried.
- Request by Circus City Festival for street closures and police assistance to conduct the annual circus parade on Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. The route is the same as in previous years. Motion was made by Board member Walker, seconded by Board member Sturch, to remove this request from the table. Motion Carried. The city has received clarification from INDOT about the requirements for closing State Road 19 for a period of time on July 20<sup>th</sup>. They are fine with the closure with certain recommendations. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch, to approve the request. Motion carried.
- Request by Diane Skillen to close the River Walk and 1<sup>st</sup> shelter for the annual Miami County Helping Hands Walk for Hunger on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 2 pm. Motion was made by Board member Walker, seconded by Board member Sturch, to remove this request from the table. Motion Carried. Helping Hands is willing to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement with the city for the use of the public

walkway. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch, to approve the request. Motion Carried.

- Request from Vicki Draper to close a few parking places in the second block of North Broadway on the East side on Mother's Day May 12<sup>th</sup> to allow Legend's to stage carriage rides. Motion was made by Board member Walker, seconded by Board member Sturch, to remove this request from the table. Motion Carried. Vicki Draper modified her request for the route of the carriage rides. The route will be East Sixth Street, turning South on Wabash Street, turning West on East Fifth Street, and then turning North on North Broadway. They would like the last two parking places on North Broadway before Sixth Street, and the first two parking spaces on East Sixth Street blocked off. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch to approve the request. Motion carried.



**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A request was heard from Carrie Young/Kelsey Jones representing Relay for Life of Miami County to use the Riverwalk on May 18<sup>th</sup> for their annual event. This includes the walk, luminaries, and vendor/team tents. They would like to hold this event from 3pm until 9pm. They also requested the city provide some tables and trash cans for the annual event. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch to approve the request. Motion Carried.



- A request was heard from Marlene Michelson and Patrick Redman representing Miami County Artisan Gallery to block off area around the courthouse for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Peru Visual Arts Festival on May 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am until midnight. This would include Fifth Street from Wabash to Miami, and Broadway from Main to 5<sup>th</sup> Street. There was confusion about what areas they were requesting, so a motion was made by Board Member Sturch, seconded by Board Member Walker, to table the motion until March 19<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.



- A request was heard from Jenni Rhodes and Alison Hulseby representing the Miami County YMCA to conduct their annual Firecracker 5k on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. The route is the same as in previous years and would begin at the Fire Department and proceed through Maconaquah Park and return to the Fire Department on South Broadway. Times would be between 7:45 am and 9:30 am. None of the department heads had any issues with the request. Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch, to approve the request. Motion carried.

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- Material Bids were received from Gaunt and Son and E&B paving for paving materials. Clerk Krauskopf opened the bids and read them. It was moved by Board Member Sturch, seconded by Board Member Walker, to take the bids under advisement. Motion carried.

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With nothing further, Board Member Walker moved, seconded by Board Member Sturch to adjourn.

**MOTION CARRIED**

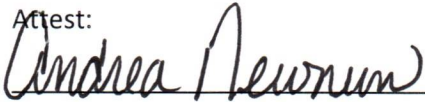


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Don Sturch, Mayor

City of Peru, Indiana

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Andrea Newnum Clerk Treasurer

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