

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

March 18, 2025

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:00 pm March 18, 2025, with the following members present: Mayor Don Sturch, Bruce Carson, Attorney Dustin Kern, Clerk Treasurer Andrea Newnum (absent) Deputy Clerk Kelly Stillings. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties. Absent , Erick McCoy

A motion was made by Board Member Carson, seconded by Mayor Struch, to suspend the reading and approve the minutes of the March 4, 2025, meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Payment of Claims 3/18/25	\$386,479.44	Motion-Carson Second Sturch
Regular & Monthly Payroll 3/7/25	\$236,757.07	Motion-Carson Second Sturch

MOTIONS CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS:

Request by Sandy Chittum on May 17th from 4pm to 11pm for the Taste of Miami County to close from after Farmers Market to 11 pm, street closure at Main and Court, North Broadway and East 5th and Court Street and East 5th. The stage will be taken down on May 18th. Todd from Traffic stated the reason for the stage to be situated on 5th Street is due to the sale of alcohol and the County not wanting alcohol being sold on their property. Food vendors will be mostly on Court Street. Chief Daine and Chief Feller stated if the stage is placed allowing if needed access to public safety equipment to get down 5th if needed. Taste of Miami County held a meeting and worked out the stage placement and removal issues. Motion made by Mayor Sturch, seconded by Board Member Carson to approve request. **MOTION CARRIED**

Request by Kaitlyn from Building Department to award the bid for demolition of 253 Chili, was issued by the Board of Building Appeals on 12/19/23 to Black Lawncare & Construction \$12,400. A motion was made by Board Member Carson to award the bid as presented; Mayor Sturch seconded. **MOTION CARRIED**

Awarding of bids for Street, Road & Alley Material along with Deisel, Gas and Oil.

Gaunt & Sons

20,000 gallons of Tack Coat \$4.25/gallon

Hot Mix Base Type B \$87.75/ ton

Hot Mix Intermediate Type B \$87.75/ton

Hot Mix Surface \$91.30/ ton

Motion was made by Mayor Struch to award Gaunt & Sons Street, Road and Alley material bid, seconded by Board Member Carson. **Motion Carried.**

Keystone Cooperative

Contract Price

25,000 gallons on road premium diesel \$2.435/gallon

6,000 gallons on road premium diesel \$2.488/gallon

8,000 gallons 87 octane gasoline \$2.319/gallon

2,500 gallons 87 octane gasoline \$2.369/gallon

Cash Price

25,000 gallons on road premium diesel \$2.3859/gallon

6,000 gallons on road premium diesel \$2.4389/gallon

8,000 gallons 87 octane gasoline \$1.9399/gallon

2,500 gallons 87 octane gasoline \$1.9899/gallon

275 gallons diesel exhaust fluid \$1.99/gallon

JM Reynolds

3,000 gallons heavy duty 15w40 oil \$12.91/gallon

3,000 gallons standard transmission fluid \$16.43/gallon

3,000 gallons premium tractor hydraulic fluid \$11.00/gallon

120 lb keg High Temperature Grease 10,000 lbs. \$5.41/pound

120lb keg 80w90 gear oil \$4.30/pound

A motion was made by Board Member Carson and seconded by Mayor Sturch to award bids as listed above.

Motion Carried

Anthony Hamm of Abate of Indiana Region 3 is requesting south bound on Wayne Street to turn left or right you cannot see due to a tree and cars being parked in the driveway. He is requesting a 4-way stop be placed there. With no representation for this request Mayor Sturch made a motion to table request, Seconded by Board Member Carson. **MOTION TABLED**

NEW BUSINESS:

A request from Circus City Festival is to prepare for the 65th Annual Circus City Festival. Circus week this year is from July 11-July 19th. They are requesting closure of the listed streets from Sunday July 14th at 6am to Sunday July 21st at 6am.

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| Broadway from Main to Seventh St | Fifth Street from Broadway to Bank parking log |
| Fifth Street from Broadway to Wabash St | Court Street from Main to 5 th Street |
| Sixth Street from Moose Alley to Gabriel's | |

A motion was made by Mayor Sturch to approve the request for street closures, seconded by Board Member Carson. **Motion Carried.**

Request by Chief Feller to approve the following Peru Police Department Policies:

- o Policy 329: Death Investigation
- o Policy 330: Citizen's Arrest
- o Policy 334: Service Animals
- o Policy 336: Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation
- o Policy 337: Off-Duty Law Enforcement Actions
- o Policy 338: Community Relations
- o Policy 339: Identity Theft

A motion was made by Mayor Sturch to approve policies as written, seconded by Board Member Carson.

MOTION CARRIED

Request by Chief Daine to accept the letter of resignation for Matthew Sturch for his position as training officer. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch to accept the letter, seconded by Board Member Carson. **MOTION CARRIED**

Request by Joey Donathan for the Little League Parade on May 3^d at 10 am to walk down Canal to West City Park. Joey stated that it would be on the north side of Canal from Miami Street to the YMCA. Discussion was had Chief Feller suggested to walk on the Riverwalk would be the safest. Chief Daine agreed. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch to amend the request and allow the participants to parade down the Riverwalk, seconded by Board Member Carson. **MOTION CARRIED**

Request by George Morris for the 5th Annual East 5th Street Block Party on Mother's Day on Saturday May 10th. Request East 5th Street be blocked from Benton to Godfroy from noon till 1am. Mr. Morris stated that the center of the street will be left open for safety vehicles if needed. The party should be over by midnight and allow cleanup till 1am. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch to approve the request, Board Member Carson.

MOTION CARRIED

Open sealed bid for the Splash Pad, just one bid was received from RL Turner for \$1,633,000. With no other bids being received a motion was made to take the bid under advisement and approve at a later meeting by Board Member Carson and seconded by Mayor Sturch.

Communications:

Mr. Sahaidachny asked if there is a plan to do anything with the mound of dirt behind Paul Richards, Mayor Sturch stated he is not aware of any plan currently.

Adjourn: With nothing further, Mayor Sturch made a motion to adjourn seconded by Board Member Carson.



Don Sturch, Mayor
City of Peru, Indiana

Attest:



Andrea Newnum Clerk Treasurer
City of Peru Indiana