

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA  
April 15, 2025**

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The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:00 pm April 15, 2025, with the following members present: Mayor Don Sturch, Bruce Carson, Eric McCoy Attorney Dustin Kern, Clerk Treasurer Andrea Newnum. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties.

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A motion was made by Board Member Carson, seconded by Board Member McCoy, to suspend the reading and approve the minutes of the April 1, 2025, meeting. **MOTION CARRIED1**

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**PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Payment of Claims 4/15/25	\$ 395,398.91	Motion-Carson Second McCoy
Regular Payroll 4/1/25	\$ 238,685.00	Motion- Carson Second McCoy
Regular & Monthly Payroll Chirp 4/18/25	\$ 245,535.58	Motion-Carson Second McCoy
Pension Payroll from 4/18/25	\$ 90,740.17	Motion-Carson Second McCoy

**MOTIONS CARRIED**

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

A request from the Church of the Brethren to block off ½ block of Clay Street between 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The church will be hosting a BBQ fundraiser on May 10<sup>th</sup> from 11a-3p. There will be 6 vendors, a band and a car show. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

A request from Chief Daine to accept the retirement letter from Lieutenant Patrick Bell effective May 5<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member McCoy to accept the letter.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from Chief Daine to approve the hiring of Logan Bailey as a probationary firefighter. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve. **MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from Chief Daine to appoint Nicholas Leffel to the position of training officer. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve. **MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from Chief Daine to promote Paul Donaldson from firefighter to Lieutenant. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve. **MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from Chief Daine to change the status of Tiffiny Babbs from probationary firefighter to permanent status. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve.

**MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from Jake Williams of JEER Homes to place a dumpster on the street in front of 513 E Main St. Discussion was had regarding Brian from the Street Department to verify if a dump truck will fit in the back of the house verses having a dumpster sit on Main Street.

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A request from Nancy Briner with St John's Lutheran Church to close Fremont from Main St to W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street from 4-730p on June 13th, for a drive thru fish and chicken dinner. Discussion was had. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve. **MOTION CARRIED**

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A request from VANADCO SIGNS on behalf of First Farmers Bank request lane closure on the turn lane on N Broadway and the first 100 feet of W Main on April 21 at 730am for approximately 4 hours. This is to park the equipment needed to remove the FFBT sign from the tower. Discussion was had, barricades will be placed on N Broadway starting at the alley by Flag Star and will block the parking spots on Main Street. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to approve. **MOTION CARRIED**

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Chief Fellter request approval of the following policies

- Policy 400- Patrol
- Policy 402- Crime and Disaster Scene Integrity
- Policy 404- Ride-Alongs
- Policy 405- Hazardous Material Response
- Policy 406- Hostage and Barricade Incidents

Board Member Carson requested more time to review policies. A motion was made by Mayor Sturch and seconded by Board Member Carson to table. **MOTION TABLED**

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#### Comments:

Tim Fisher stated there are 3 dumpsters on Main Street of which 2 do not have anything reflective on them, he questioned if there is an ordinance regarding this matter.

Pete Sahaidachny stated between 401 and 407 E Washington there is a cable laying on the ground he is afraid someone will trip. Mayor Sturch stated he would call his contact and have them come take a look.

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



Don Sturch, Mayor  
City of Peru, Indiana

Attest:



Andrea Newnum Clerk Treasurer  
City of Peru Indiana

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the City of Peru Board of Works meetings. The full video of the meeting is available for viewing at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NgffeJMIwTW> for as long as this media is supported.