

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA
August 5, 2025**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Peru, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:00 pm August 5, 2025, with the following members present: Mayor Don Sturch, Eric McCoy, Bruce Carson, Attorney Dustin Kern, Clerk Treasurer Andrea Newnum. Also in attendance were department heads and other interested parties.

A motion was made by Board Member Carson, seconded by Board Member McCoy, to suspend the reading and approve the minutes of the July 15, 2025, meeting. **MOTION CARRIED**

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS

Payment of Claims 8/5/25	\$ 1,242,825.44	Motion-Carson Second McCoy
Regular & Monthly Payroll 7/25/25	\$ 261,159.30	Motion-Carson Second McCoy
Pension Payroll 7/25/25	\$ 90,885.85	Motion-Carson Second McCoy

MOTIONS CARRIED

OLD BUSINESS: None


NEW BUSINESS: Request from Chief Feller to change rank of Sergeant Lee Mitchell from Sergeant to Patrolman. Sergeant Mitchell is requesting the move while seeking a position as future detective. Moved by Mayor Sturch, seconded by Board Member Carson. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Request from Alan Myers, Church of the Brethren, for street closure of Clay Street between East 5th Street and 6th Street on August 30th from 12pm – 4pm. Mr. Myers states that he will be hosting a family event where he will have a variety of large vehicles for children to see up close. Mayor Sturch questioned if any neighbors will be inconvenienced by this closure. Mr. Myers stated there is one driveway and he was waiting till the board approved his request prior to talking to the neighbor. Mr. Myers stated that if the neighbor is not in support, then he will come up with another plan. Moved by Mayor Sturch, contingent on the proof of the neighbor being in support, seconded by Board Member Carson. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Request from Gib Keller of the Knights of Columbus to hand out tootsie rolls at Main Street and Miami to vehicles at stop light for special ed teachers and special Olympics. August 16th 8am-4pm. Mr. Keller stated that they will park a vehicle behind them in the turn lane for protection while handing out the tootsie rolls and collecting the donations. Moved by Mayor Sturch, seconded by Board Member Carson **MOTION CARRIED**

Comments: Pete Sahaidachny questioned if an ordinance needed to be written as he witnessed a gentleman riding an office chair up and down Harrison Ave. Attorney Kern stated that it did not warrant an ordinance at this time.

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