



MADISON *Indiana*

Board of Public Works and Safety Minutes

MEETING DATE: Monday, July 21, 2025, at 11:30 AM

MEETING PLACE: City Hall- Council Chambers

The Board of Public Works and Safety, City of Madison, Indiana, met at 11:30 AM in the Council Chamber, City Hall.

Calling of roll and notice of absentees: Eaglin, Courtney, and Carlow were present (3-0).

Approval of Minutes: An amendment was made to the July 7, 2025, meeting minutes to include that, during the discussion on Resolution 2025-36B, Madison resident Jan Vehtrus urged the Board to work with the event organizer to ensure adequate access to the Crystal Beach entrance. **Motion:** Courtney moved to amend the July 7, 2025, minutes, with the information above, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0). **Motion:** Eaglin moved to approve the July 7, 2025, minutes, with the amendment, seconded by Courtney. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Claims—General/Payroll: Carlow moved to approve the general and payroll claims as submitted, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Adjustments: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New business: Lease Agreement between City of Madison and City of Madison Utilities – Mindy McGee, Director of Finance: The proposed lease agreement, dated July 21, 2025, is between the City of Madison (Lessor) and City of Madison Utilities (Lessee). It outlines that the Utilities department will lease office space at 101 W. Main Street (City Hall) for \$1,000 per month, beginning in August 2025. The lease is ongoing until canceled by either party. Additionally, the Utilities department will make a one-time payment of \$40,000 for unpaid rent covering 2022, 2023, 2024, and the first seven months of 2025. The agreement states the premises are in good condition, and the Utilities department agrees to maintain the space throughout the lease. The City of Madison retains the right to inspect the property at reasonable times. This lease is currently being presented and has not yet been approved. **Motion:** Carlow moved to approve the Lease Agreement between the City of Madison and City of Madison Utilities, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Applications – 111 E Fourth, 414 E Third, 920 Cross Ave, 221 E Main, 1725 Allen – Historic Preservationist, Brenna Haley: 111 E Fourth Street is being submitted as a Dangerous Structures Grant. The owners are planning to demolish the entire structure and then rebuild on the same footprint. 414 E Third is being submitted as a Rehabilitation Grant. Work would include painting the exterior, stabilizing the sidewall, and tuckpointing. 920 Cross Ave is a hilltop project for a Curb Appeal Grant. Work would include replacing the chimney caps, new shutters, lead paint remediation for the windows, and new porch lights. 221 E Main is being submitted as a Dilapidated Structures Grant. Work would include painting the whole structure, repairing the gutters, foundation repair, refinishing the front door, rewiring the inside, and putting in two new windows. 1725 Allen did not pass at the PACE Committee. It scored too low, but Brenna is recommending that the board approve the PACE Application for a Dilapidated Structures Grant. Work would include window replacement, siding replacement, a new porch, rewiring, and structural roof replacement. **Motion:** Courtney moved to approve the PACE Applications, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Finals – 917 W First – Historic Preservationist, Brenna Haley: This final was a Rehabilitation Grant. The owners are requesting the full disbursement of \$7,500.00. Work included the removal of the vinyl siding with LP Smart siding, new gutters, and work around the windows. **Motion:** Eaglin moved to approve the PACE Final, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

TSO Improvements Update – Director of Streets, Facilities, & Solid Waste, Chris Hale: Work has officially begun at the TSO. Contractors have completed all concrete pours possible before the scheduled shutdown in the second week of September, which will last for one week. The exterior recycle wall—previously made of wood—has now been replaced with a poured concrete wall. Work has also begun on the piers that will support the roof over the recycling area, which is being added to help keep water out of the materials. In addition, installation is underway for a new trench drain system that will properly divert water away from the building. The Street Department recently received the first invoice for the project, which will be brought to the Board soon for review and approval. As for work on Clifty Drive, the crew currently has lanes coned off, and they are starting the milling and paving process. They are also finishing up some sidewalk work down by the gas station on the corner of Michigan Road. Work on Wilson Avenue is on track to be open before school starts again.

City of Madison Police Department Update – Chief of Police, Shawn Scudder: The department has completed its internal review of the Lexipol policies and is planning to implement the new policies by January 2026. Currently, four officers are attending the police academy; they are in week 11 of training with five weeks remaining. Graduation is scheduled for August 22, 2025, after which they will begin an additional 8–10 weeks of field training with the department. Recently, two officers resigned—one accepted a position with Dearborn County, and the other became the School Resource Officer for Madison Consolidated Schools. The department will begin the process of filling these vacancies.

Mayor's Comments: A City Council meeting is scheduled for tomorrow evening. The agenda includes a financial overview presented by the city's advisors from Reedy Financial, focusing on the impact of the most recent legislative session. These changes will directly affect the 2026 budget, including a significant revision to the road funding formula that will influence the amount of funding the City is eligible to receive. Additionally, the Council will introduce the first reading of a proposed ordinance to adopt a wheel tax—\$25.00 for passenger vehicles and \$40.00 for larger, heavier vehicles. The HVAC system is being replaced for the upstairs and council chamber areas of City Hall.


Public comment: Bryan Shaw, the City of Madison Building Inspector, spoke with CenterPoint, and they will be testing all their infrastructure from the hilltop areas to the downtown areas, for any leaks. Bryan just wanted to inform the board that there may be more activity than normal, which could include emergency excavations.


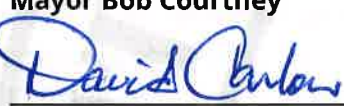
Next meeting: Monday, August 4, 2025, at 11:30 AM.

Adjourn: Eaglin moved to adjourn, seconded by Courtney. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Attested:


Shirley Rynearson, Clerk-Treasurer


Karl Eaglin


Mayor Bob Courtney

David Carlow

