

Board of Public Works and Safety Minutes

MEETING DATE: Monday, August 4, 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: Eaglin moved to approve the July 21, 2025, minutes, seconded by Carlow. 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:

Wheel Loader Comparison – Utilities Manager, Brian Jackson: The Wastewater Department evaluated four wheel loader models for use at the Wastewater Treatment Plant and recommends purchasing the CAT 914 loader. After on-site testing, two larger models (CAT 920 and John Deere 444 G) were deemed oversized and cost-prohibitive. Between the remaining options, the CAT 914 was favored over the John Deere 344 P due to its enhanced features such as faster hydraulic cycle times, a rear-view camera, auto bucket kickout, creep speed mode, and superior warranty coverage. The total cost for the CAT 914 is \$168,500, with a net cost of \$148,500 after trading the current loader to the Street Department for \$20,000. Motion: Courtney moved to authorize the acquisition of the wheel loader recommendation and transfer through the purchase of the smaller wheel loader to the TSO, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Vine and Elm Parking Plans – Deputy Mayor, Tony Steinhardt: An important part of the Main Street project is the reorganization of parking on the side streets to the north and south of Main Street, as outlined in the parking study and the Main Street Master Plan. The project will also add striping for parking spaces and designated areas for golf cart parking. Vine Street north of Main Street will have angled parking on the east side. Vine Street north of Main Street will have parallel parking on the west side. Vine Street south of Main Street will have angled parking on the east side. Vine Street south of Main Street will have parallel parking on the west side. Elm Street north of Main Street will have angled parking on the west side. Elm Street south of Main Street will have angled parking on the east side. Elm Street south of Main Street will have angled parking on the east side. Elm Street south of Main Street will have angled parking on the east side.

Resolution 2025-38B: National Night Out – Aug. 11, 2025: A request was submitted by Shawn Scudder on behalf of the City of Madison, Madison Police Department, and Madison Fire Department to temporarily close a section of Vaughn Drive for the National Night Out event scheduled for Monday, August 11, 2025. The proposed closure would span from the west side of West Street to the east side of Poplar Street, between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. The street would be under the supervision and control of the City during that time. **Motion:** Eaglin moved to approve Resolution 2025-38B, seconded by Courtney. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Resolution 2025-39B: Farmers Evening Market Street Closing – Aug. 12, 2025: A request was submitted by Brittany Demaree on behalf of the Madison Farmers Market to close specific streets and sidewalks for their event on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The requested closures include the southbound lane of Broadway Street (from the north side of Main Street to the south side of Third Street) and the sidewalks on the north side of Main Street from Main Street to Trinity United Methodist Church and 408 Broadway Street. **Motion:** Carlow moved to approve Resolution 2025-39B and 2025-40B, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Resolution 2025-40B: Farmers Evening Market Street Closing – Sept. 9, 2025: A request was submitted by Brittany Demaree on behalf of the Madison Farmers Market to close designated parking spaces for their event on Tuesday, September 9, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The requested closures include parking spaces on the east side of Jefferson Street between Main Street and Second Street, as well as parking spaces on the south side of Main Street between Jefferson Street and the alley east of the Jefferson County Courthouse. **Motion:** Carlow moved to approve Resolution 2025-39B and 2025-40B, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Public Comment re. Resolution 2025-40B: City of Madison resident Jan Vethrus requested that the event organizers and the City ensure courthouse employees are informed about the parking space closings. The courthouse is aware of the closings and has already approved them, and a notice will be given to the employees.

Resolution 2025-41B: Broadway Reunion – Sept. 20, 2025: A request was submitted by Mike Perry on behalf of Eureka Lodge #30 for a street closure related to the Broadway School Reunion and Street Dance on Saturday, September 20, 2025. The proposed closure is for Broadway Street between Fourth and Fifth Streets from 3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. **Motion:** Courtney moved to approve Resolution 2025-41B, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Finals – 123 Central and 304 Jefferson – Historic Preservationist, Brenna Haley: 123 Central Avenue is a rehabilitation grant project that has been completed. The scope of work included removing all vinyl siding and replacing it with LP Smart Siding. The owners are requesting the full disbursement of \$7,500.00. 304 Jefferson Street is also a completed rehabilitation grant project. The work included window replacement and painting of the structure. While the painting was not part of the approved grant scope, it was completed as part of the overall project. The owners are requesting the full disbursement of \$7,500.00. Motion: Courtney moved to approve the PACE Finals, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Mayor's Comments: There are several construction projects underway across town. The Main Street restoration is set to begin this week, and the work on Clifty Drive is nearing completion. The Residences at Sunrise Crossing are also beginning to take shape, with a couple of buildings now

under construction. With August and September being busy festival months, we encourage everyone to get out and support our local events. A big thank-you to the city departments and DOC crews helping to make these festivals possible.

Public comment: Claude Rottet, 820 Fillmore Alley, voiced concern regarding the groundskeeping of the area in front of his property, in front of the river. He offered to donate \$200.00 for the maintenance of the area.

Next meeting: Monday, August 18, 2025, at 11:30 AM.

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

Attested:

Shirley Rynearson, Clerk-Treasurer

Karl Eaglin

Mayor Bob Courtney

David Carlow