



MADISON *Indiana*

Board of Public Works and Safety Minutes

MEETING DATE: Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 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 February 2, 2026, 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). The general claims totaled \$760,322.30. The payroll claims totaled \$247,902.67.

Adjustments: None.

Unfinished Business: None.

New business:

Lease Agreement for Fire Apparatus: Assistant Fire Chief Brandon Ehlers presented information to the Board outlining the need to purchase a new fire apparatus for the department. The full presentation is available for review on the City of Madison's YouTube channel. The Board was asked to consider approval of the purchase of a 2008 Pierce 75-foot quint apparatus in the amount of \$400,000.00 and to authorize Fire Chief DeVries to execute the agreement. Approval is contingent upon the Council approving the form of the lease agreement that will finance the vehicle. **Motion:** Eaglin moved to give the Council a favorable recommendation and approval regarding the lease agreement for the fire apparatus, seconded by Carlow. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

PACE Finals – 412 E Third & 414 E Third: Both 412 E. Third Street and 414 E. Third Street are owned by the same individual. 412 E. Third Street received a partial dilapidated structure grant award in the amount of \$15,072.83, which funded basement wall stabilization, tuckpointing, painting, and the repair and replacement of the front steps. 414 E. Third Street received a rehabilitation grant in the amount of \$5,812.20, which covered tuckpointing and painting. **Motion:** Eaglin moved to approve the PACE Finals, seconded by Courtney. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Appeal of Vacant and Abandoned Determination – 420 Broadway: Pursuant to the City of Madison's Vacant and Abandoned Structures Ordinance, once a code enforcement representative determines that a structure is vacant or abandoned, written notice is issued to the property owner(s). The owner then has the right to appeal that determination to the Board of Public Works and Safety. The appeal heard at this meeting concerned 420 Broadway Street, owned by Mary Anne and Tom Imes. Code Enforcement Officer and Building Inspector Duey O'Neal and Bryan Shaw presented evidence supporting their determination that the structure is vacant and abandoned. Following their presentation, Mr. and Mrs. Imes were given the opportunity to present evidence or witnesses in rebuttal. The Board will make its determination after considering all information presented and go through the finding of facts. The full presentation and supporting evidence from both parties is available for viewing on the City of Madison's YouTube channel. **Motion:** Courtney moved to accept the findings of fact conclusion of the law, seconded by Eaglin. All in favor, motion carried (3-0).

Public Comment re. the Appeal of Vacant and Abandoned Determination – 420 Broadway: Mona Matheni, 711 E. First Street, spoke on behalf of Mary Anne Imes and in support of her character. Carla Krebs, 122 Cherry Trace, offered an apology on behalf of the City of Madison regarding how Mrs. Imes felt she was treated during her interactions with the City concerning maintenance of the structure over the past 12 years.

Mayor's Comments: There is a City Council meeting tonight. The Plan Commission also meets tonight for the public hearing of the proposed UDO. The City is hosting a press conference with Congresswoman Houchin to announce the \$1 million secured for stormwater and flood mitigation efforts for the city of Madison.

Public comment: None.

Next meeting: Monday, March 2, 2026, at 11:30 AM.

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

Attested:




Shirley Rynearson, Clerk-Treasurer



Karl Eaglin



Mayor Bob Courtney



David Carlow

