

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
July 17, 2026
10:30 A.M.
REGULAR SESSION

The Board of Public Works & Safety of the City of Warsaw met in Regular Session on Friday July 17, 2026, at 10:30 A.M. in the temporary Council Chambers at the police department training center. Mayor Jeff R. Grose presided and the following persons were noted as present or absent:

PRESENT: Board members Mayor Grose, Diane Quance and George Clemens. Also present Clerk-Treasurer Lynne Christiansen, Street Superintendent Joe Vctor, Deputy Police Chief Bryan Sherwin, Aviation Manager Nick King, Assistant Fire Territory Chief Will Kornrumpf, Stormwater Coordinator Brandon Cordell, HR Director Denny Harlan, City Planner Justin Taylor, City employees Jeremy Humes, Matthew Trump, and Steve Rockey, and Times-Union reporter David Slone. The meeting was also presented live over the City's website at <https://www.warsaw.in.gov>.

ABSENT: City Attorney Scott Reust

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Grose followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES-

The minutes from the July 2, 2026, Regular Session were presented for approval. Mr. Clemens made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Ms. Quance, motion carried by unanimous vote.

VISITORS-

-Human Resources Director Denny Harlan recognized City employees Jeremy Humes and Matthew Trump for five years of service; Clayton Rieder for 10 years of service; and Steven Rockey for 40 years of service.

REPORTS/ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS-

-June 2026 Wastewater Payment Office late fee/leak adjustments report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS-

None noted.

NEW BUSINESS-

STREET CLOSURE REQUESTS-

The following street closure were presented for consideration:

-**Baker Youth Club 100th Year Celebration**, August 15, 2026, 10:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m., 1400 block of E. Smith St. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the closure, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

-**Lincolnway District Cubmobile**, October 17, 2026, 5:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., N. Indiana Street from the alley in the 100 block of N. Center Street to the parking lot at Central Park; Main Street from High Street to the driveway of WWFT Station #1; and Ft. Wayne Street from Buffalo Street to the rear parking lot entrance of the Zimmer-Biomet Building. Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve the closures, seconded by Ms. Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

-**Neighborhood Block Party**, October 24, 2026, 4:00 p.m.-11:59 p.m., 1900 block of E. Clark Street. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the closure, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

-**Diner En Blanc**, August 15, 2026, 1:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m., 100 blocks of North and South Buffalo Street and 100 blocks of East and West Center Street. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the closures, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

-**Rex's Rendezvous 50th Anniversary Party**, July 19, 2026, 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 200 block of S. Buffalo Steet. Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve the closure, seconded by Ms. Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)/AIRPORT CAPITAL PROJECTS-

An MOU between the City and Kosciusko County was presented for approval. The County is contributing \$500,000.00 to the City that will go toward runway rehabilitation at the Airport. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the MOU, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

TRAVEL REQUESTS-

A list setting forth nine (9) travel requests was presented for approval: Fire-six (6); and Police-three (3). Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve the list, seconded by Ms. Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

NEW HIRES/CHANGES IN PAYROLL REPORT-

A list of new hires/payroll changes was presented for approval, totaling two (2): Cemetery-one (1); and Police-one (1). Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the report, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

VEHICLE PURCHASE-

Assistant Fire Territory Chief Will Kornrumpf requested permission to purchase a 2026 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 SSV 4X4 from Kelley Chevrolet of Fort Wayne for \$47,653.00. Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve the purchase, seconded by Ms. Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

GENERATOR PURCHASE-

Due to a failing emergency backup generator and transfer switch at Fire Station 17, Assistant Chief Kornrumpf is requesting approval to purchase a new replacement. Cost of the equipment will range from \$87,686.43 to \$98,750.00 depending on final selection by the Fire Chief and Command Staff from the estimates of three contractors. A letter from the Fire Territory attorney was also included in the request citing IC 5-22-10-4 and special purchases. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the purchase, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION (FHWA) SS4A GRANT AGREEMENT-

City Planner Justin Taylor requested approval of a \$400,000.00 grant agreement through the FHWA. The funds will support the planning, design, and demonstration phases for the “Downtown Warsaw Ignition Corridor” project for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. Total cost of the project will be \$500,000.00 with the extra funding coming from a grant through the K21 Health Foundation. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the agreement, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

K21 GRANT APPLICATION/DOWNTOWN SCULPTURE PARK-

Mr. Taylor requested permission to apply for a grant through the K21 Health Foundation in the amount of \$353,390.00. If awarded, the funds would be applied toward the development of the “Buffalo Arts Trot Play Lot, aka, Downtown Sculpture Park. Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve the application, seconded by Ms. Quance, carried by unanimous vote.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)/HEALTH FIRST KOSCIUSKO-

Deputy Police Chief Bryan Sherwin requested permission to enter into a MOU/Grant with Health First Kosciusko for \$2,264.00. If awarded, the funds will be used for CARE Kits for community members facing obstacles in utilizing local community resources. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the MOU, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR/US GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)/PIKE LAKE LEVEL GAGE/STORMWATER UTILITY-

Stormwater Coordinator Brandon Cordell presented a Joint-Funding Agreement between the City and the US Department of the Interior/U.S. Geological Survey, to monitor water levels at Pike Lake. The cost of the annual agreement is \$4,400.00. Motion made by Ms. Quance to approve the agreement, seconded by Mr. Clemens, carried by unanimous vote.

CLAIM DOCKETS-

The following claim dockets were presented for approval:

Regular Docket - \$4,000,188.43

Motion made by Mr. Clemens to approve all claims for payment, seconded by Ms. Quance, motion carried by unanimous vote.

OTHER MATTERS-

ADJOURN-

There being no further business to come before the Board by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

ATTEST:

Lynne Christiansen, Clerk-Treasurer

