

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
JUNE 10, 2025-8:30 A.M.

Open Bids- Solid Waste Contract for 2026

1. Noble County Disposal- \$651,309.00
2. Washler- \$783,738.60

Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to take the bids under advisement with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

Roll call was answered at 8:35 A.M. by: Mayor Lance Waters, Chairman Don Gura, and Board Member Tara Streb.

Others present were: Katie Ritchie, Scott Derby, Scott Mosley, Patrick Howell, Brian Strange, John Dixon, Kristen Johnson, Brice & Amy Arnold- Noble County Disposal, Johnny Ritchie- Washler, Jeff Washler, Treston Gonzalez- Washler, Jeremy Lambert- Washler, Cheryl Prentice- KPC News, Jeremy McKinley, and Cindy Marple.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Minutes

Mayor Lance Waters made a motion to approve the Board of Works minutes from the May 27, 2025 meeting with a second from Board Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

Petitions

No petitions or comments were given.

Mayor

Application for Use of Public Facilities- Metal Art

Kristen Johnson submitted an application for the use of public facilities to display a piece of art that she bought on the sidewalk in front of her business at 231 S. Main Street. The art piece will be moved closer to the building in the winter months. Mayor Lance Waters made a motion to approve with a second from Board Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

Application for Use of Public Facilities- Anniversary Celebration

Kristen Johnson submitted an application the use of public facilities for a concert in Founder's Park and a downtown skate party. This event will take place on Saturday June 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday June 22, 2025 from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. This event will require Main Street to be closed between William and Rush Street and from West Rush to the Alley behind City Hall. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

## Application for Use of Public Facilities- Crosswalk Street Art

Kristen Johnson submitted an application for the use of public facilities for the corners of all three intersections downtown on Main Street to be painted. The crosswalks will not have the art in them however the art will be on the inside corners of each of the intersections. There will also be one space on West William that will be painted between a parking spot and crosswalk where the popcorn stand usually is. Examples of the art were given to the Board and will represent various themes specific to Kendallville and Noble County. Kristen will communicate with the Mayor's Office on when street closures would need to happen before the artist begins the work. The paint is said to last between five and six years. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

## Fire

### Request to Pay Hoosier Fire Equipment

Fire Chief Jeremy McKinley requested authorization to pay invoice #123118 in the amount of \$14,993.75 to Hoosier Fire Equipment. This is for the replacement for four sets of Globe G-Extreme fire gear. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

## Police

Police Chief John Dixon requested authorization to open a vacant full-time dispatcher position as Dispatcher/ IDACS Coordinator Jay Cheshier has accepted the position to be the Noble County 911 Director. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

## Street

### Request to Purchase Street Sweeper

Street Superintendent Brian Strange requested authorization to purchase a 2017 Schwarze A7 Tornado Street Sweeper in the amount of \$135,000.00. This is a used sweeper but has very low usage and is in great condition. Strange will be trading in their current street sweep to help offset costs. Mayor Lance Waters made a motion to approve with a second from Board Member Tara Streb. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

## Wastewater

### Sewer Adjustment- 311 Glory Avenue

Majed Albajari resident of 311 Glory Avenue requested a sewer adjustment in the amount of \$236.84 for water that did not go down a drain due to a spigot that was left on outside. WWTP employee Trevor Hampshire verified the water did not go down a drain and recommended the adjustment be given. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

### Sewer Adjustment- 120 North Street (Wendy's)

Christopher Pooler, District Manager of Wendy's located at 120 North Street, requested a sewer adjustment in the amount of \$1,000.84 for water that didn't go down a drain due to a water leak. Upon investigation WWTP saw the leak but noticed a drain about 10 feet away from the softener. A small amount of water was caught in the wall however a majority of the water did go down a drain. WWTP employee Trevor Hampshire recommended a 25% credit in the amount of \$250.21 be given for the water that was in the wall. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

### Request to Pay Inliner Solutions- Add On

Superintendent Patrick Howell requested authorization to pay Inliner Solutions \$35,545.00 for additional sewer lining on Kammerer Road. This will be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund 6207. Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to approve with a second from Mayor Lance Waters. The motion passed 2 ayes – 0 nays.

The May 2025 Financial Report was presented for review.

### Motion to Adjourn

Board Member Tara Streb made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Don Gura adjourned the meeting at 8:59 A.M.

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Kathren R. Ritchie- Clerk Treasurer

Minutes approved by me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2025.

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Lance L. Waters-Mayor