March 17, 2026

The Board of Public Works and Safety met in regular session in the Council Chambers on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Mayor Dermody, Mark Kosior, Jessica Romine
Absent:

Cole Parthun and Vera Knoll led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes
Each member received an advance copy of the minutes. Mayor Dermody asked if there were any additions or corrections.

Motion/Vote – Approval of March 3, 2026 Meeting Minutes
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Public Comment
Mayor Dermody opened the public comment portion by noting that no formal public comment cards had been submitted. However, he took the opportunity to address recent concerns and statements circulating regarding the City and LaPorte County government.
Mayor Dermody referenced earlier remarks indicating confusion on the part of county officials about their role, suggesting that county leadership appears more focused on monitoring city operations rather than managing their own responsibilities. In response to public claims, Mayor Dermody clarified key financial points about the City. He emphasized that the City currently holds an A+ bond rating, crediting the Clerk-Treasurer's financial management. In contrast, he stated that the County does not have a bond rating due to a lack of due diligence in 2022. He further highlighted that the City has maintained fiscal responsibility by operating within its means and has not increased property tax bills over the past five years under the current administration.

Mayor Dermody also raised concerns about the County's financial practices, referencing a recent incident in which the County reportedly issued a $20,000 check to the City that was returned. He contrasted this with the City's financial stability and commitment to taxpayers.
Additionally, Mayor Dermody acknowledged infrastructure challenges faced by the County, including deteriorating conditions at the courthouse and jail, and expressed sympathy for those impacted. He suggested that addressing these issues, including the need for a new correctional facility, requires decisive action from County leadership. Mayor Dermody reiterated that the City continues to maintain utility rates, water and sewer, below the state average and remains committed to transparency and public engagement. Mayor Dermody invited County officials and the public to participate in open discussions regarding these matters.

Regarding a partnership opportunity with Microsoft, Mayor Dermody stated that the City sought County involvement, but commissioners declined to participate. As a result, the City shifted its focus to collaborating with the local school system to fulfill partnership requirements. He expressed frustration with the lack of engagement but affirmed the City's commitment to moving forward. Mayor Dermody underscored the administration's focus on honesty, fiscal responsibility, and community progress. He noted that the City's tax rate has decreased slightly in the past year and reaffirmed enthusiasm for the City's partnership with Microsoft, highlighting its potential to bring future technological growth, job opportunities, and economic development to the LaPorte community and surrounding region.

Claims Approval
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented payroll from March 13, 2026 in the amount of $550,277.07.

Motion/Vote – Approval of March 13, 2026 Payroll
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve the March 13, 2026 payroll as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented Sewage Claims in the amount of $150,309.25.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Sewage Claims
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve the Sewage Claims as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented Water Claims in the amount of $206,776.94.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Water Claims
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve Water Claims as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented Civil City Claims in the amount of $809,419.64.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Civil City Claims
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve the Civil City Claims as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Conflict of Interest Form: Pressler
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented a conflict of interest form for Firefighter Arno Pressler. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun noted that the conflict of interest, once approved, will be file stamped at the County Clerk's office and then uploaded onto Gateway, the State's transparency website.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Conflict of Interest Form: Pressler
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Conflict of Interest Form: Pressler as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

CBIZ Proposal
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented a proposal from CBIZ regarding the City's required capital asset inventory. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun explained that, in accordance with Indiana code, the City must complete a physical inventory of all capital assets every two years. The last inventory was conducted in 2024, making the city due for the next inventory in 2026.
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun noted that while routine CBIZ proposals are typically around $5,000, the cost is significantly higher, $39,000, when a full physical inventory is required, as it involves on-site verification of all assets. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun added that this cost is consistent with the previous physical inventory conducted in 2024. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun concluded by requesting board approval for the $39,000 CBIZ proposal to complete the required capital asset inventory.

Motion/Vote – Approval of CBIZ Proposal
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve CBIZ Proposal as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Request Approval to Transfer Funds
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun requested board approval to transfer funds as part of routine financial operations associated with the Civic Auditorium. She explained that this type of transfer is a standard process, particularly since the Civic Auditorium now operates as a cashless facility, requiring transactions to be managed through the credit card clearing fund.
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun specifically requested authorization to transfer funds from the credit card clearing fund for the Civic Auditorium. The total amount identified for transfer at the end of the month is $38,468.60. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun emphasized this request is presented as a routine financial matter necessary to properly reconcile and allocate funds collected through credit card transactions.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Request to Transfer Funds
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Request to Transfer Funds as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Paying Agent Fee: Old National Wealth
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented a request for approval to pay a $400 invoice to Old National Wealth for a paying agent fee. She explained that the invoice was not included on the meeting docket due to timing constraints related to submission deadlines, and noted that the Board of Works will not meet again for approximately one month. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun clarified that the fee is associated with Old National Wealth's role in administering the 2021 Newport Landing Redevelopment District bond. The invoice was received the previous Friday, and timely payment is necessary to ensure the account remains current.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun requested board approval to process the payment immediately, indicating that once paid, the obligation for this fee would be satisfied for the remainder of the year.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Paying Agent Fee: Old National Wealth
Mr. Kosior made a motion to approve Paying Agent Fee: Old National Wealth as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Permission to Pay Insurance Premiums: Liability and Workers Compensation
Clerk-Treasurer Parthun presented invoices for the City's annual insurance premiums. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun explained that the invoices cover liability insurance, workers' compensation, and the City's risk management program. The combined total for the two invoices is $810,201. Clerk-Treasurer Parthun requested board approval to pay these premiums in order to maintain coverage.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun noted that overall premium costs increased by only 0.4%, describing the minimal increase as favorable. She further explained that while workers' compensation premiums decreased significantly, liability insurance costs increased, resulting in a relatively balanced overall change.

Motion/Vote – Permission to Pay Insurance Premiums: Liability and Workers Compensation
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Permission to Pay Insurance Premiums: Liability and Workers Compensation as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

New Business:
Parking Ticket Appeal
Police Chief Drangmeister presented a parking ticket appeal from Adam Scearce, who had been issued an ordinance violation for parking on a city street with expired vehicle registration tags. Chief Drangmeister explained that the appellant requested dismissal of the ticket, stating he did not receive a renewal notice from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles due to a recent move. Chief Drangmeister clarified that such notices are sent as a courtesy, and that it remains the vehicle owner's responsibility to track registration expiration dates, which are clearly indicated on both the registration and license plate. He further noted that registration expiration follows a consistent schedule based on the individual's last name, and indicated that the appellant, being an adult, should reasonably be aware of this requirement. Based on these factors, Chief Drangmeister recommended that the appeal be denied and the ticket upheld.

Motion/Vote – Denial of Parking Ticket Appeal
Ms. Romine made a motion to deny Parking Ticket Appeal as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Authority to Execute all Necessary Documents Regarding City-Owned Parcels for Annexation of Parcels

City Attorney Rachel Doty requested board approval to authorize Mayor Dermody to execute all necessary documents related to the annexation of five identified parcels outlined in the meeting packet. She explained that this authorization would include signing the petition for super voluntary annexation as well as any associated zoning documentation. Attorney Doty clarified that the parcels in question are currently owned by the City but located outside city limits, necessitating formal annexation.

Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson provided additional context regarding the purpose and use of the parcels. He explained that the properties are wastewater-related facilities, including an approximately 118-acre land application site used for wastewater solids, and a combined sewer overflow (CSO) wet weather storage lagoon. Mr. Jackson confirmed that, although the parcels would be annexed into the City, they would remain under City ownership and control, including permanent ownership of the lagoon facility.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Authority to Execute all Necessary Documents Regarding City-Owned Parcels for Annexation of Parcels

Mr. Kosior made a motion to give Mayor Dermody authority to execute all necessary documents for annexation of the parcels as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Open Bids for Replacement of Civic Lift

CDBG Manager Mary Ann Richards presented Open Bids for Replacement of Civic Lift. Ms. Richards informed the Board that no sealed bids were received for the project by the 9:00 a.m. deadline. She explained that the lack of responses may be due to the short two-week bidding period. Ms. Richards recommended extending the bid deadline to April 14, aligning with the next Board of Works meeting. She noted that this extension would require the City to readvertise the project and issue an addendum to allow additional time for potential bidders. Mayor Dermody questioned whether the City could proceed with direct negotiation if bids were not received. It was clarified that, because the project is funded through federal CDBG funds, the City must strictly follow federal procurement requirements. Deviating from the formal bid process could risk loss of funding. Ms. Richards emphasized the project's tight timeline, noting that all funds must be expended and drawn from the HUD line of credit by July 24. Despite concerns about delays, it was acknowledged that extending the bid period is necessary to maintain compliance and ensure the project can proceed. Ms. Richards also indicated that the bid opportunity had been directly shared with at least two firms, with limited initial interest. The city plans to follow up with those firms and potentially reach out to additional contractors during the extended bid period. Overall, Ms. Richards reiterated that while the timeline remains compressed, extending the bid deadline is the most appropriate course of action to secure bids and remain compliant with federal requirements.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Open Bids for Replacement Civic Lift
Mr. Kosior made a motion to extend the bid process to April 14, 2026 at 9 A.M. as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

1101 Ohio St – Preliminary/Final Plat
Assistant City Planner and ADA Coordinator David Heinold presented a preliminary and final plat request for the property located at 1101 Ohio Street, noting that the Plan Commission has recommended approval of both items to the Board of Public Works and Safety. Mr. Heinold explained that the request involves a parcel currently containing two existing residential structures, one multi-unit and one single-family home. The proposal seeks to subdivide the lot into two separate parcels. Mr. Heinold confirmed that the proposed split meets all applicable zoning requirements, including lot width, lot size, and overall configuration. He also noted that legal access to both parcels will be maintained through a mutual access easement.

Motion/Vote – Approval of 1101 Ohio St – Preliminary/Final Plat
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve 1101 Ohio St – Preliminary/Final Plat as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Hunter Woods Phase 1&2, Lots 7-35 Preliminary/Final Plat
Assistant City Planner and ADA Coordinator David Heinold presented a preliminary and final plat request on behalf of Park Street Community LLC, related to the Hunter Woods development. He noted that the Plan Commission recently recommended approval of the request. Mr. Heinold explained that the proposal involves subdividing existing lots along Park Street and Deer Trail Lane to accommodate townhome development. The plat outlines the division of each lot by building, ensuring that all parcels are created in accordance with the applicable zoning district requirements, including proper lot configuration and size. Mr. Heinold also confirmed that the plan provides legal access to each individual lot, meeting ordinance requirements. He concluded by offering to address any questions from the Board.

Mayor Dermody added supportive remarks, encouraging Board members and the public to visit the development site to observe progress. He also noted that the project had previously been declined by the County, but was subsequently pursued within the city. Mayor Dermody commended those involved for moving the development forward and expressed approval of the progress being made.

Motion/Vote – Approval Hunter Woods Phase 1&2, Lots 7-35 Preliminary/Final Plat
Mr. Kosior made a motion to Hunter Woods Phase 1&2, Lots 7-35 Preliminary/Final Plat as presented; motion seconded by Ms. Romine and unanimously carried.

Bailey Park Subdivision Lots 1-24 & Outlot A – Final Plat
Assistant City Planner and ADA Coordinator David Heinold presented a final plat request for a development project by Dan Steiner, which was recently approved by the Plan Commission. The plat covers a total of 24 residential lots and one drainage outlot, intended for the

construction of 24 townhome units. Mr. Heinold noted that each lot will have separate legal access, facilitated by a road located behind the lots that connects directly to West 18th Street. He confirmed that all lots comply with the minimum requirements of the applicable zoning district, including lot size and configuration.

Mayor Dermody invited Dan Steiner to address the Board regarding his townhome development project. Mr. Steiner provided an update on construction progress, noting that stone base work has been completed, with 10–12 inches of stone installed beneath the road. He explained that he is currently awaiting water permits and property addresses from the County, which are needed to complete water taps before continuing construction. Mr. Steiner confirmed that the project will begin immediately with two duplex units and clarified that the units along Bailey Park Drive will face the alley, while the remaining homes front onto West 18th Street. He also mentioned that the homes will include full basements, and that plans now include a pool addition. Mr. Steiner provided context on market success, stating that one of the first two units has already been sold. Mayor Dermody responded positively, noting the homes look excellent and expressing approval of the project's progress and sales performance.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Bailey Park Subdivision Lots 1-24 & Outlot A – Final Plat
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Bailey Park Subdivision Lots 1-24 & Outlot A – Final Plat as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Underground Storage Tanks Closure Quotes
Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson presented Underground Storage Tanks Closure Quotes. Mr. Jackson provided information regarding the City's underground storage tanks, which have been in service since 1987. Mr. Jackson explained that the tanks are fiberglass with steel piping and do not meet current code requirements, making it necessary to remove them from the ground. Mr. Jackson noted that the city is transitioning its diesel generator to a natural gas generator and implementing the WEX program, which will eliminate the need for these tanks entirely.

The following quotes were received:

- SCS Environmental Contracting in the amount of $45,400. order.
- Hoosier Equipment Service in the amount of $36,427.

Mr. Jackson noted that both bids appeared to be complete and in order and requested to review the bids during the remainder of the meeting and provide a recommendation after the conclusion of all new business. Ms. Romine and Mr. Kosior agreed.

Permission to Solicit Appraisals on Property
Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson requested board permission to solicit appraisals for a property adjacent to the City's treatment plant. He explained that the property is strategically important, supporting both current operations, including the headworks project, and future

growth of the wastewater system. Mr. Jackson highlighted that the property has significant value due to its proximity to the treatment plant and the network of gravity sewers that feed into it. He referred to an aerial map provided to the Board, noting a triangular area highlighted in yellow that represents the property in question. Although the parcel appears as three separate lots, it is effectively treated as one contiguous property. Mr. Jackson concluded by recommending a motion to allow solicitation of appraisals to assess the property's value and feasibility for potential acquisition.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Permission to Solicit Appraisals on Property
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Permission to Solicit Appraisals on Property as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Basement Backup Grant – 601 Lincolnway
Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson presented a request for approval of a basement backup grant for the property at 601 Lincoln Way. He explained that although the property is in a separated sewer area, it is still connected to the combined sewer system, which makes it vulnerable to basement flooding, particularly at the downstream sewers near the corner location. Mr. Jackson described the property's basement as having multiple floor drains and extensive plumbing, which requires a sump pump system to redirect water and protect the basement. Due to the complexity of the plumbing, the total project cost is $10,975, with the City covering $4,750 and the property owner contributing $6,225. This exceeds the City's previous $5,000 grant limit but was recommended for approval given the circumstances.

In response to questions about a long-term solution, Mr. Jackson noted that permanent relief would require a large, multi-million-dollar sewer separation project downstream, which takes years to plan and implement. The basement backup grant is therefore intended as a short-term protective measure to address flooding while larger infrastructure projects are underway. Mr. Jackson also confirmed that the property has a history of backups, including issues during recent heavy rains.

Motion/Vote – Approval of Basement Backup Grant – 601 Lincolnway
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Basement Backup Grant – 601 Lincolnway as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Grundfos Value Assessment Proposal
Wastewater Director Jerry Jackson presented a proposal from Grundfos to model the combined sewer system in the area of Lawrence and East Jefferson, a location with persistent flooding issues. He explained that this area contains five interconnected sewers, and a 36-inch relief sewer installed in the 1970s that has proven ineffective at solving the problem due to the lack of modeling and technology at the time. The Grundfos proposal would allow the city to use modern sewer system modeling to evaluate multiple solutions in a data-driven and cost-effective manner. Mr. Jackson stated the process involves surveying the main sewers, installing flow meters at key locations as directed by Grundfos, collecting flow data, and feeding it into computer models to simulate different interventions, such as building tanks,

pump stations, or additional relief sewers. This allows the City to analyze various scenarios and determine the most efficient and effective solution. Mr. Jackson emphasized that this modeling approach provides a targeted and analyzed solution, unlike the earlier 1970s installation, which was based largely on educated guesses. Regarding the timeline, Mr. Jackson noted that the model requires calibration with actual storm events, so with sufficient rainfall in the spring, the preliminary design and cost estimates could be ready by mid-summer. This represents a modern, technology-driven method for addressing long-standing combined sewer issues in the City.

Motion/Vote – Approval Grundfos Value Assessment Proposal
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Grundfos Value Assessment Proposal as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

General Services Agreement - JPR
Director of Community Development and Planning Craig Phillips presented a general services agreement with JPR, Jones Petri Rafinsky. Mr. Phillips explained that the primary purpose of the agreement is for JPR to review all subdivision requests submitted to the City as part of the plat approval process. Additionally, the firm would assist the city on an anticipated subdivision project involving a city partnership and related grant work. Mr. Phillips noted that state statute requires the City Engineer to review all plats for compliance with City standards. In the absence of a City Engineer, the City has the authority to designate a qualified individual or firm to provide these services. The agreement with JPR would allow them to perform these reviews on an as-needed basis, rather than as a retainer or recurring cost. Mr. Phillips indicated that the City anticipates needing these services almost immediately, as several subdivision proposals are expected within the next month. Payment for the services would come from the existing engineering department budget, and the agreement would cover the 2026 calendar year.

Motion/Vote – Approval of General Services Agreement - JPR
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve General Services Agreement - JPR as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

During discussion of the general services agreement with JPR, Mr. Kosior raised a concern regarding the format of the contract exhibits, noting that some sections appeared as “bubbles” or boxed areas with wording. He questioned whether approving the contract as presented would mean formally adopting these notes or annotations into the enforceable contract, as he had not seen this format before. Mr. Phillips acknowledged that if the contract were approved with those boxes included, the wording could become enforceable, but upon closer review, clarified that the boxed sections are not contract language. Instead, they reference the City’s actual subdivision code standards and may include notes for review purposes. Mr. Phillips emphasized that the boxes reflect the ordinance itself, not modifications to the contract, and stated that the documents would be reviewed carefully to ensure no unintended language is adopted. Mr. Kosior and Ms. Romine agreed that the contract should be finalized and reviewed to prevent adopting any unintended notes.

Amended Motion/Vote – Approval of General Services Agreement - JPR
Ms. Romine made an amended motion to approve General Services Agreement – JPR, pending department and legal review; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Bid Opening – Boyd Blvd Project
Craig Phillips presented the bid opening for the Boyd Boulevard Project. This project is a major stormwater improvement project in the Boyd Boulevard area. The project includes the installation of a new stormwater pipe and a substantial expansion of the existing regional stormwater facility adjacent to Boyd Boulevard. Mr. Phillips noted this bid opening will be considered at the Redevelopment Commission at their March 25, 2026 meeting.

Clerk-Treasurer Parthun confirmed that the affidavit of publications were properly published in the Herald Dispatch on February 18th and 25th, 2026, and in the Northwest Indiana Times on February 18th, 2026. Two bids were received and opened during the meeting. The following bids were received:

- HRP Construction in the amount of $5,349,750, including an alternate item priced at $22 per cubic yard.
- Reith-Riley Construction in the amount of $6,758,534.22 and did not include a bid for the alternate item.

Mr. Phillips noted that the bids will be taken under consideration and reviewed by the Redevelopment Commission at its March 25th meeting. No action or approval by the Board was required at the time of the bid opening, as this was solely a public disclosure of submitted bids.

Acceptance of Easement Provided to the City
Water Maintenance Supervisor Bryan McDonald presented an easement for approval that allows the City to install utilities along the north side of State Road 2, extending from the fairgrounds to the Armory. He explained that the easement is beneficial and cost-effective, as it keeps utilities out of the roadway. Mr. McDonald noted that a pre-bid meeting with contractors for the project took place the previous day, with bids due by the end of the month, and that the Armory is requesting water service by June 30th.

Motion/Vote – Acceptance of Easement Provided to the City
Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Acceptance of Easement Provided to the City as presented; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business

Other Business:

Motion/Vote – Approval of Underground Storage Tanks Closure Quotes

Ms. Romine made a motion to approve Underground Storage Tanks Closure Quotes to Hoosier Equipment Services as the lowest most responsive bidder pending Legal and Engineering review; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Department Head Reports

Water: Water Maintenance Supervisor Bryan McDonald reported the bi-annual hydrant flushing program for the City's water system is scheduled to begin on Sunday, April 12th, and conclude on Friday, May 8th, with work occurring nightly from 8:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. He advised the public to contact the Water Department with any questions or concerns and suggested residents check whether flushing will occur in their area during the week so they can plan laundry accordingly to avoid potential staining. Mr. McDonald confirmed that while the flushing schedule will not be posted online, residents can contact the Water Department for specific information about which areas will be affected, and the schedule will be provided to staff for reference.

Fire: Chief Snyder reported that the Merit Commission is currently accepting applications for the Fire Department, with the application period open through March 27th. This process will establish the hiring list for the next two years. Chief Snyder noted that the mental aptitude test, the first step in the hiring process, is scheduled for April 11th. Interested applicants can apply online via the City's website on the Fire Department page, where they will find the application and instructions for completing all steps of the process.

Code: Code Enforcement Director Jeff Batchelor reported due to recent turnover in their department they have a new part-time inspector, Doug Holt. Mr. Batchelor invited Mr. Holt to speak about himself. Mr. Holt spoke briefly about himself and his experiences and expressed his excitement for the opportunity to work with the City of La Porte. In addition, Mr. Batchelor reported the dumpster program should begin again within the next several weeks. Mr. Batchelor reminded the public not to leave large trash items lying around their yard. He encouraged residents to call WM for pickup of these items or to utilize the dumpsters once they are available again.

Park: Parks and Rec Superintendent Mark Schreiber provided updates on summer programming for the Parks and Recreation Department, noting that registration will be starting soon for activities such as art camp and nature camp. He also highlighted preparations for Lakefest, scheduled for the last weekend of July (July 24–26). Mr. Schreiber announced that the headliner will be revealed on Monday, with tickets going on sale the following Friday, and encouraged the public to watch the department's Facebook page for details. Mr. Schreiber reviewed recent events at the Civic Auditorium, reporting strong attendance over the weekend. The Styx and Journey tribute drew approximately 800 attendees on Friday,

while the Josh Turner concert hosted around 1,200 attendees on Saturday, reflecting high engagement and successful use of the venue. Mr. Schreiber clarified that capacity differences were due to floor table arrangements for seated concerts, which can reduce maximum occupancy.

IT: IT Director Roscoe Hoffman introduced the new IT Technician, Bryson Feare. Mr. Hoffman noted that Mr. Feare comes from another department within the city and has been with the IT Department for approximately three weeks. Mr. Feare presented himself to the podium and spoke briefly about himself, including his years he has had previously within the city and expressed his excitement to learn and grow in his new role.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Ms. Romine made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Mr. Kosior and unanimously carried.

Approve: _____

Thomas P. Dermody, Mayor

Attest: _____

Courtney Parthun, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved: April 14, 2026