

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WAS HELD IN ROOM 100 AT NEW ALBANY CITY HALL ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: David Brewer, member, Cheryl Cotner-Bailey, member, and Mickey Thompson, president

OTHERS PRESENT: Fire Chief Juliot, Assistant Police Chief Fudge, Phil Aldridge, David Heeke, Brad Fair, Brad Ramsey, Cameron McLaughlin, Michael Mifflin, Larry Summers and Vicki Glotzbach

CALL TO ORDER:

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

BIDS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Kimberly Barkes, AT&T re: Encroachment permit request to install new aerial fiber along Bald Knob Road and Grant Line Road and also install a CPAD at 4701 Grant Line Road

Mr. Thompson presented on behalf of AT&T and explained that this is a request to place 2,741 feet of aerial fiber and they are over-lashing the new fiber to existing wire. He added that photos are attached for the board to review.

Mr. Brewer asked if they will be using flaggers.

Mr. Thompson replied yes. He stated that there is a second permit attached in conjunction to this to add a third pedestal to feed the new fiber to.

Mr. Brewer moved to approve, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

2. Angel or Jeffrey Sutton re: Street closure on Oak Street for tree removal

Mrs. Sutton explained that there is a tree that sits at 2102 E. Oak Street that needs to be removed from private property, but it extends over Silver Street. She requested permission to close Silver Street from East Elm to East Oak for ~6 hours on December 15 (weather permitting). She stated that she is a certified arborist, Jeff is a master arborist, and they have both examined the tree to determine that it does need to be removed. She explained that they are going to be using a 23-ton crane which will be sitting on the street and the tree is in bad enough shape that it could be a safety issue with it extending across the roadway. She stated that she just received a Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) plan from Peyton via email that she can forward to the board members for review and added that the detour plan is to utilize Thomas Street with detour signs.

Mr. Brewer asked how long she thinks it will take to remove the tree.

Mrs. Sutton replied about six hours.

Mr. Thompson asked if the crew would be able to get someone through the alley if they need to get through.

Mrs. Sutton replied yes.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked what time they would be doing the work.

Mrs. Sutton stated that they are usually out at 8:00 a.m. and it would take ~six hours.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked if they could hold off on starting the work until 9:00 a.m. considering the school traffic.

Mrs. Sutton replied yes and added they could even start at 10:00 a.m. if that would be better.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey stated that 9:00 a.m. will be fine.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve the MOT with the stipulation that she email a copy to Mr. Thompson, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

TABLED ITEMS:

COMMUNICATIONS – CITY OFFICIALS:

1. Larry Summers re: 2025 Paving Project Update

Mr. Summers reported that there is a small section of alleyway near Bicknell Park that was scheduled to be milled and overlay, but it was delayed because of the weather and they are hoping for a warm snap to be able to finish it.

Mr. Brewer stated that Vance looks really good.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey asked him to check on the catch basin/drainage on Vance as there might be some issued with the paving shortening the width.

2. Mickey Thompson for Riley’s Excavating re: Revision of encroachment permit request for 3111 Grant Line Road

Mr. Thompson stated that the board approved a permit to cut Grant Line Road for the sewer connection, but when they got on site, they realized that they could do the work at the sidewalk. He explained that they didn’t need the maintenance bond for cutting Grant Line and requested approval for the work in the sidewalk and to allow him to submit a letter from the board, releasing that bond.

Mrs. Cotner-Bailey moved to approve, Mr. Brewer second, motion carries.

3. Mickey Thompson re: Street Department’s Snow Removal

Mr. Thompson recognized David Heeke and the street department for doing such a great job overnight with the streets.

4. Mickey Thompson re: Light Up New Albany

Mr. Thompson recognize Krystina Jarboe for the exceptional job she did with the event this year and organizing all the departments and volunteers.

5. Mickey Thompson re: Trash Collection Delay

Mr. Thompson reported that sanitation did not run today because of the snow so trash pickup will be on a one-day delay.

APPOINTMENTS:

CLAIMS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Brewer moved to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for November 25, 2025, Mrs. Cotner-Bailey second, motion carries.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the board, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Mickey Thompson, President

Vicki Glotzbach, City Clerk