



**CITY OF GOSHEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY
MINUTES OF THE APRIL 16, 2026 MEETING**

Convened in the Goshen Police & Court Building, 111 East Jefferson St., Goshen, Indiana

Present: Mayor Gina Leichty, Mike Landis, Orv Myers, Mary Nichols and Barb Swartley
Absent: None

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Leichty called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES: Mayor Leichty presented the minutes of the March 26 and April 2, 2026 meetings as prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer. Board member Mary Nichols made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Orv Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA: Mayor Leichty presented the agenda as prepared by the Clerk-Treasurer. Board member Nichols made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Board member Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

1) Engineering Department request: Sign the INDOT Notification of Contractors Award Letter and electronically sign INDOT/LPA contract for the 2026-2 CCMG award
City Civil Engineer Brad Minnick said that on April 6, 2026, the Engineering Department received notification from the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) that the City of Goshen had been selected to receive a Community Crossing Grant for the 2026 call for projects. He said once a Notification of Contractors Award Letter and Funding Request has been submitted to INDOT, funding will be transferred to Goshen's account after the INDOT/LPA contract has been fully executed via electronic signature.
Minnick requested that the Board sign the provided Notification of Contractors Award Letter and electronically sign the INDOT/LPA contract.
Nichols/Myers made a motion to sign the INDOT Notification of Contractors Award Letter and electronically sign the INDOT/LPA contract for the 2026-2 CCMG award. The motion passed 5-0.

2) Engineering Department request: Approve the contract with Niblock Excavating for the 2026 Asphalt Paving project B in the amount of \$5,979,879.30
City Civil Engineer Brad Minnick said that on April 2, 2026, the City of Goshen received proposals for the 2026 Asphalt Paving project B. The following are the results:

- Niblock Excavating – \$5,979,879.30
- Rieth-Riley – \$6,340,430.99

The itemized bid tab was included in the meeting packet for the Board's reference.

Minnick requested that the Board award the contract to Niblock Excavating as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Clerk-Treasurer Aguirre asked Minnick for an explanation about why the City received higher bids than in the initial call for bids. Minnick said the project would now require more work, so the bids were expected to be higher. In addition, he said the costs of some materials have increased in the past few months.

Nichols/Myers made a motion to approve the Contract with Niblock Excavating for the 2026 Asphalt Paving project B in the amount of \$5,979,879.30. The motion passed 5-0.



3) Engineering Department request: Reinstate the Board's drainage plan approval for the Crossing Phase 2, with the understanding that D.R. Horton will submit revised drainage plans for Phase 3 for the City's review and future Board consideration

Director of Public Works & Utilities Dustin Sailor said that on April 2, 2026, the Board approved the Engineering Department's request to withdraw the approved drainage plans for Phases 2 and 3 of the Crossing Subdivision.

Sailor said this action was taken in response to the property owner, D.R. Horton, placing a considerable amount of fill material across Phase 3 of the development without prior evaluation of drainage impacts.

Since the Board's action, Sailor said City staff communicated with D.R. Horton representatives who have engaged a local engineering firm to assess the potential drainage impacts resulting from the added fill in Phase 3.

Sailor said according to the developer, the consultant anticipates approximately six (6) weeks to complete the necessary survey work and update the drainage evaluation. Allowing time for City review of a revised submittal, the Board could reasonably consider reinstating drainage approval for Phase 3 in eight to ten weeks.

Sailor said D.R. Horton expressed concern that this timeline may affect its development commitments. In response, the developer has confirmed that no excessive fill has been added-and will not be added-in Phase 2 of the subdivision. To date, City staff has observed excessive fill placement only within Phase 3 of the development.

Sailor said that based on the developer's commitment to submit revised drainage plans for Phase 3, the absence of fill-related drainage concerns in Phase 2, and the assurance that excessive fill won't be placed in Phase 2, City staff now supports reinstatement of the drainage plan approval for Phase 2 only, while Phase 3 remains under evaluation.

Board members Landis and Swartley asked about the work on site and the fill material, which Sailor addressed.

Nichols/Myers made a motion to reinstate the Board's drainage plan approval for the Crossing Phase 2, with the understanding that D.R. Horton will submit revised drainage plans for Phase 3 for the City's review and future Board consideration. The motion passed 5-0.

4) Legal Department request: Approve an amendment to an agreement between State Office of Energy Development and the City of Goshen for the City Annex Re-Roof Project

Shannon Marks, the Legal Compliance Administrator for the Legal Department, said the City of Goshen and the Indiana Office of Energy Development entered into a grant agreement, dated May 22, 2024, for \$200,000 in funds to be used for eligible costs to upgrade the roof on the City Annex building.

Marks said included in the meeting packet for Board's approval and authorization for the Mayor to execute was Amendment 1 to this Grant Agreement. Amendment 1 will increase the total grant funding to \$261,587.15 and extend the contract through Oct. 31, 2026.

Nichols/Myers made a motion to approve the terms and conditions and authorize Mayor Leichty to execute Amendment 1 to the Grant Agreement with Indiana Office of Energy Development on behalf of the City of Goshen. The motion passed 5-0.

Privilege of the Floor (opportunity for public comment for matters not on the agenda):

Mayor Leichty opened Privilege of the Floor at 4:08 p.m. There were no comments

APPROVAL OF CIVIL & UTILITY CLAIMS

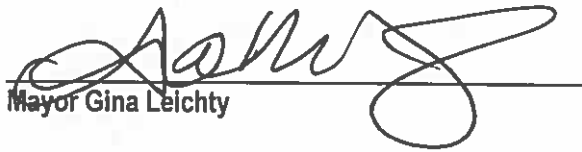
Mayor Leichty made a motion to approve Civil City and Utility claims and adjourn the meeting. Board member Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

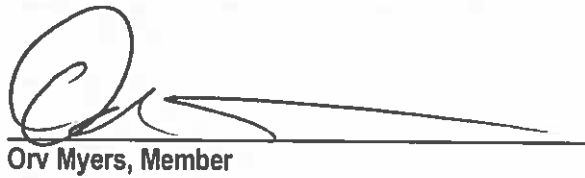
Mayor Leichty adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

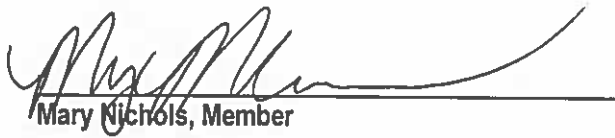


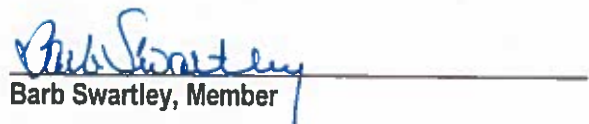
APPROVED:


Mayor Gina Leichy

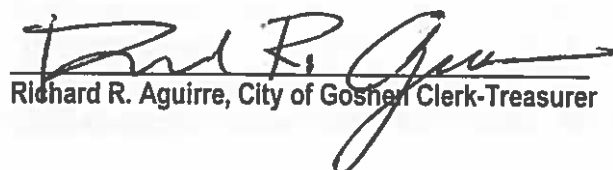

Mike Landis, Member


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ATTEST:


Richard R. Aguirre, City of Goshen Clerk-Treasurer