

Board of Public Works Meeting Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of Public Works was held on Tuesday March 10, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Bloomington City Hall, 401 North Morton Street in the Council Chambers, Suite 115. The public could attend virtually at the following Zoom link:

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Members of the Board of Public Works Present

- Elizabeth Karon, President Appointed January 5, 2022 by the Mayor
- Kyla Cox-Deckard, Vice President Appointed January 2, 2016 by the Mayor
- James Roach, Secretary Appointed January 17, 2024 by the Mayor

BMC 2.09.020 states these members serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

City Employees Present:

Adam Wason, Public Works

Miranda Beaver, Public Works

Neil Kopper, Engineering

Kyle Baugh, Engineering

Zach Bell, Engineering

1. MESSAGES FROM BOARD MEMBERS

2. PETITIONS & REMONSTRANCES

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes from December 16, 2025
- b. Minutes from December 29, 2025
- c. Resolution 2026-012 ITS Surplus to Binary Heart
- d. Resolution 2026-013 Pushcart License for Big Dawg Cart LLC
- e. Change Order 48 & 49 for Hopewell East Construction Contract with Milestone Contractors, LLC
- f. Public Improvement Bond Acceptance for Renwick Phase 3
- g. Addendum to Service Agreement with Ivy Tech for CDL Program
- h. Payroll

Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

a. Amendment 3 to On Call Service Agreement with REA for Engineering Services

Neil Kopper, Engineering, presented an Amendment 3 to On Call Service Agreement with REA for Engineering Services for approval. This is an existing contract with Rundell Ernstberger Associates (REA) to provide as-needed assistance with engineering services. This amendment increases the total contract amount to allow continued use of the contract to support various projects including design for resurfacing contracts supporting the Public Works Department. The total contract amount increases by \$100,000 for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$404,143.60. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve Amendment 3 to On Call Service Agreement with REA for Engineering Services. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

b. LPA Consulting Agreement with REA for Engineering Services for Downtown Curb Ramps Phase 5

Neil Kopper, Engineering, presented the LPA Consulting Agreement with REA for Engineering Services for Downtown Curb Ramps Phase 5 for approval. This project is expected to include curb ramp and crosswalk improvements along East 3rd Street and Atwater Avenue adjacent to the Indiana University campus. The project is programmed in the Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Improvement Program for both design and construction. Rundell Ernstberger Associates (REA) was selected to perform design services for this project based on their response to a request for proposals. The contract is set at a total not-to-exceed amount of \$271,490. Construction of this project is anticipated in 2029. Karon wanted to confirm that this was at Atwater, East 3rd Street between Indiana and High Street. Kopper said it was in that general area. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the LPA Consulting Agreement with REA for Engineering Services for Downtown Curb Ramps Phase 5. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

c. Right of Way Closure Request for Centerpoint Energy

Kyle Baugh, Engineering, presented the Right of Way Closure Request for Centerpoint Energy for approval. Miller Pipeline on the behalf of Centerpoint Energy is requesting sidewalk, lane and alley closures associated with utility work along West 2nd Street from South Walker Street to South Maple Street. This work is required to relocate utilities in advance of the 2nd Street modernization project. These closures are requested to occur in the timeframe between March 16, 2026 and May 31, 2026. An onsite meeting is planned with Miller Pipeline to go over expectations and how to execute closures to ensure that they're not closing any paired sidewalks. Staff will continue to work with the Contractor, Bloomington Transit and MCCSC to make sure these closures aren't prohibitive to them. Cox Deckard asked Baugh if he received information that this has been coordinated or is someone here on their behalf. Baugh said that Robin Cooper from Miller was on the call and those coordination's are planned to happen this week. Karon asked if this would happen in phases as it goes through the project. Baugh stated that was correct. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Right of Way Closure Request for Centerpoint Energy. Roach seconded. Karon, called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

d. Right of Way Closure Request for F.A. Wilhelm at Poplars Development

Kyle Baugh, Engineering, presented the Right of Way Closure Request for F.A. Wilhelm at Poplars Development for approval. F.A. Wilhelm is requesting a sidewalk closure on North Grant Street as part of the Beverly project located at 400 East 7th Street. This request is for facade and final landscaping work. The traffic control would be in place from March 18th, 2026 through April 10th, 2026. Cox Deckard stated that it was discussed in the work session that this would likely be the last item that will be received as far as Right Of Way closures for this project. Baugh said that was the last indication they had from Wilhelm. The plan of execution is to finalize this western side. Then the project completion would move from this sidewalk to the southern sidewalk on 7th and then the western sidewalk on Dunn. Wason asked for clarification that there won't be any more permanent applications but they have right of way permit applications that are currently valid. Baugh said that was correct and the end of use was in July. Public comment was made by Greg Alexander and asked the Board to not approve this request. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Right of Way Closure Request for F.A. Wilhelm at Poplars Development. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

e. Right of Way Closure Request from Hydecker-Wheatlake Company for Fritz Terrace Gas Line Modernization

Zach Bell, Engineering, presented the Right of Way Closure Request from Hydecker-Wheatlake Company for Fritz Terrace Gas Line Modernization. The Hydecker-Wheatlake Company is requesting an extension of an approved Right Of Way permit from 14 days to 8 months. The closures for this work will consist of single lane closures within the south west portion of Fritz Terrace as part of the gas main modernization project. This request is to accommodate 15,035 linear feet of boring. The traffic control would like to be in place from 03/09/26 through 10/08/26. The Hydecker-Wheatlake Company has supplied maintenance of traffic plans for all work and they have placed door hangers in advance of all work. Bloomington High School North has also been notified of the work.

Cox Deckard asked if MCCSC was also notified because other schools could be affected as well. Bell said if further communication with the school corporation is required then he can make sure that happens. Bell added that all of the work will be within Fritz Terrace, local and non-arterial roads. Staff does not foresee anything directly affecting the schools aside from Bloomington North. Cox Deckard added that MCCSC transportation would at least need to know because there will be bus traffic and would make sure transportation adjust their timing if need be. Bell said he can make that happen and that this crew will be a single lane closure. Karon asked for clarification about the permit extension from 14 days. Bell said that they had submitted their application and wanted to get started. Staff can approve up to 14 days and did so expecting that this request would be passed. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Right of Way Closure Request from Hydecker–Wheatlake Company for Fritz Terrace Gas Line Modernization. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

f. Right of Way Closure Request for Duke Energy

Zach Bell, Engineering, presented the Right Of Way Closure Request from Duke Energy for approval. Duke Energy is requesting 3 weeks of lane and sidewalk closures on South Sare Rd. This request is to accommodate boring underground utilities. The traffic control would be in place for 3 weeks with the date dependent upon approval. Duke has supplied maintenance of traffic plans for all work. They have also notified MCCSC and will modify their work schedule accordingly. Cox Deckard recapped the impacts to Jackson Creek School and that the crew was planning on adjusting their work times based on traffic flow. Bell stated that was correct and they have been directed to start by 8:30 am and be done by 2:45pm. Also the sidewalk would reopen outside of the modified work schedule. Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Right Of Way Closure Request for Duke Energy. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

5. STAFF REPORTS & OTHER BUSINESS

Kyle Baugh from Engineering stated there was a Right of Way Request from Meyer and Najem. They are responsible for the Arlington multifamily project on 17th and Arlington, adjacent to the roundabout. They were doing field work and realized they didn't have the adequate spacing from the traffic circle infrastructure to facilitate a lane closure. It was proposed to have a closure during the spring break period, March 14, 2026 and concluding March 22, 2026. Staff felt like this would help minimize impacts. Staff have been working with them and Bloomington Transit to work this request out. The concern is access to Telluride to the apartment complex. There isn't any indication that it was going to be limited in any capacity. Local access will be maintained for those few private businesses as well as the homes. Roach asked for clarification and asked if this is northbound on Arlington and not enough distance to scoot cars over. Baugh said there is a taper minimum distance as required to the Indiana MUTCD. That distance is 60 feet. There is roughly 30 feet from the location of the manhole. Wason added that Staff were always hopeful of no full closure of Arlington, after Staff reviewed all factors, there is just no option to try and fit all of this in. The Staff asked if they could do some night work and were waiting to hear back regarding that. Roach asked if this was a full closure. Wason said yes and we wanted this to come through as a normal regular agenda item but given the timing that spring break is next week. Staff wanted to avoid any impacts of a full closure after spring break. Karon asked if the residences and businesses that are directly impacted by this have been notified. Wason and Baugh said they are working on getting everyone notified.

Wason added when a sidewalk closure comes to the board, Staff have exhausted options for a walk-around. Mr. Alexander's passionate about keeping all the pedestrians right away open at all times. If a closure is approved, there is always a detour in place for a sidewalk. Staff were not thrilled about the seven line issue and it being extended. There have been many conversations and there are other requests from Wilhelm that are not coming to the Board because they have asked for too much at this point. There may still be a request come through for Sunday work but it's not going to be supported by staff. Staff are trying to keep their project within the limited scope of what can be controlled. The contractor for the Bollard installation project around Kirkwood informed that they were able to get the material in for the Dunn Street Installation. They will be there starting Monday and might go into the following Monday after spring break.

Wason said there is possible severe weather this evening and then next Tuesday there is talk of more snow. Staff will be prepared for this unusually late in the season weather.

6. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Cox Deckard made a motion to approve the Claims in the amount of \$2,481,592.50. Roach seconded. Karon called roll, all in favor, motion passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Karon called for adjournment at 6:00pm.

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Elizabeth Karon, President

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Kyla Cox Deckard

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Kyla Cox Deckard, Vice President

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James Roach

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James Roach, Secretary

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