

July 21, 2025

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Angola, Indiana was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall, 210 North Public Square with Mayor David B. Martin presiding. Council Members Randy Coffey, David A. Olson, Charles P. Dowe, Jennifer L. Sharkey, and Jerold D. McDermid answered roll. No Council Member was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Ryan P. Herbert recorded the minutes.

Among those present were City Attorney Kim Shoup, City Engineer Amanda Cope, Economic Development and Planning Director Retha Hicks, Police Chief Ken Whitmire, Fire Chief Bill Harter, Street Superintendent Chad Ritter, Wastewater Superintendent Jeff Gaff, Information Technology Director Mark Marple, and Firefighters Ray Harvey, Pete Decker IV, T R Hagerty, Paul Thiel, Chris Kimmel, Jay Squadrito, Stewart Edwards, and Ron Mausteller.

Also among those present was Chris Emerick.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Council Member McDermid moved to approve July 7, 2025 minutes. Council Member Olson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Minutes of the June 2 Board of Public Works and Safety meeting were presented for Council information.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A public hearing regarding the proposed solid waste charge was opened by Mayor Martin at 7:02 P.M. The being no public comment the hearing was considered closed at 7:03 P.M. Ordinance No. 1780-2025, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ANGOLA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 8.05 SOLID WASTE (\$18.35), was read by title and presented to Council on third and final reading. Council Member McDermid moved to approve. Council Member Sharkey seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 1781-2025, AN ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF APPOINTED OFFICERS, DEPUTIES, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES AND OF POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS OF THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2026 , was read by title and presented to Council on second reading. Council Member Olson moved to approve. Council Member Sharkey seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Ordinance No. 1782-2025, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF ANGOLA CODE OF ORDINANCES TITLE 9 PUBLIC PEACE, MORALS AND WELFARE, CHAPTER 9.05 GENERAL OFFENSES (Open Burning), was read by title and presented to Council on second reading. Council Member Sharkey moved to approve. Council

Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-1 with Council Member Coffey dissenting.

Mayor Martin provided an update on the wastewater plant's ongoing permitting and chloride compliance issues. The operating permit with the Indiana Department of Environmental Management has expired. The working group contacted area State Senator Sue Glick and after discussion she recommended seeking an administrative solution. A letter was drafted by Craig Williams with input from Mayor Martin and City Engineer Cope and delivered to Governor Braun and the Secretary of Energy and Environment. In the meantime, Governor Braun had issued an executive order for IDEM to identify excessive and overburdensome regulations. IDEM had setup a website to collect comments from the public. Craig Williams, Amanda Cope, and Jeff Gaff all submitted comments to the website regarding the chloride issue. IDEM collected over one thousand comments and issued a report which included 25 areas they had identified to look at from the comments. The Angola Chloride issue was included in the 25 items. We have not heard anything back from the letter yet. The Mayor plans to follow up and the working group is going to reconvene to plan the next steps.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 1783-2025, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ANGOLA, INDIANA, was read by title and presented to Council for first reading. Council Member Olson moved that having reviewed the findings of the Plan Commission and taking into account the comprehensive plan, current conditions and character of the structures and uses in each district, the most desirable use of the land in its current and proposed zones, conservation of property value throughout the city, and responsible growth and development to adopt the proposed zoning change. Council Member Sharkey seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Olson moved to approve lien and utility bad debt reports totaling \$1,270.11 for the twelve months ending 12/31/2024. Council Member McDermid seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held regarding elected official salaries for 2026. Council Member Olson moved that Council Salaries remain unchanged and stay at the 2025 rate for 2026 and the Mayor and Clerk-Treasurers salaries be increased by 2.7% for 2026. Council Member Dowe seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Olson moved to approve the Agreement for Professional Services for Project Administration with Dixon Engineering in the amount of \$88,300. Council Member Sharkey seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Clerk-Treasurer's Depository Statement and Cash Reconciliation for the month ending July 2025 was presented for Council information.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

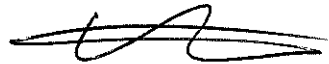
City Engineer Cope reported that she had received an email from INDOT and there will be an October call for Community Crossings projects for 2026 construction. The cap will be one million dollars in projects per applicant.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Council Member McDermid moved to approve the Allowance of Accounts Payable Vouchers 75244 through 75472 totaling \$2,074,945.09 which includes interfund transfers of \$856,724.75. Council Member Dowe seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was considered adjourned at 7:21 p.m.



David B. Martin, Mayor
Presiding Officer

Attest:



Ryan P. Herbert, Clerk-Treasurer