

February 17, 2026

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN, INDIANA

The Common Council of the City of New Haven Indiana met in the City Hall Community Room on the February 17, 2026 at the hour of 5:30 PM in a Regular session in accordance with the rules of the Council.

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Welcome - please silence cell phones and other electronic devices.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve McMichael, who presided.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Steve McMichael asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance

- C. Roll Call

On the call of the roll, the members of the Common Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Steve McMichael and Council Attorney Steve Harrants

- D. Title VI Statement

- E. Approval of Minutes from the previous meeting

1. Approval of minutes from the February 3 meeting

Terry Werling made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 3 meeting, Jeff Turner seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

II. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Bob Byrd made a motion to amend the agenda by substituting Item A for Item E and adjusting the agenda order accordingly. Jeff Turner seconded the motion and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

- A. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance titled, Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana

Under the amended agenda, new business item A was the introduction and first reading of an ordinance titled, Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana. Matt Newbauer made a motion to approve by title only an ordinance titled, Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana. Mike Mowery seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only and numbered resolution G-26-1 an ordinance titled Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana.

Mike Mowery made a motion to suspend the rules to allow second reading and final passage of Ordinance G-26-1. Bob Byrd seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Matt Newbauer made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance G-26-1, an ordinance titled Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana. Amelia Gascoigne seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike

Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only Resolution G-26-1 an ordinance titled Ordinance Amending Police Merit Board Section 31.18(B)(3) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of New Haven, Indiana.

B. Swearing in of Probationary Patrolmen Zu Bar, Jackson Schwarz and Andrew Wade

Under new business item B, was the swearing in of Probationary Patrolmen Zu Bar, Jackson Schwarz, and Andrew Wade.

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick swore in each officer to the position of Probationary Patrolmen.

C. Public hearing and Introduction of a resolution titled, Additional Appropriation for Fund #2402 Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund

Under new business item C, was a public hearing and introduction of a resolution titled, Additional Appropriation for Fund #2402 Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund. Mayor Steve McMichael opened the public hearing for comments. The first call with no comments, the second call with no comments, and after the third and final call with no comments, Mayor Steve McMichael declared the public hearing closed. Terry Werling made a motion to approve, by title only, a resolution titled, Additional Appropriation for Fund #2402: Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund. Mike Mowery seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only, and numbered R-26-9 a resolution titled, Additional Appropriation for Fund #2402 Local Road & Bridge Matching Grant Fund.

D. Introduction of a resolution titled, Resolution to Transfer City Funds Between Accounts for the Year 2026

Under new business item D, was the introduction of a resolution titled, Resolution to Transfer City Funds Between Accounts for the Year 2026. Craig Dellinger made a motion to approve by title only a resolution titled, Resolution to Transfer City Funds Between Accounts for the Year 2026. Jeff Turner seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read, by title only, and numbered Resolution R-26-10, a resolution titled, Resolution to Transfer City Funds Between Accounts for the Year 2026

- E. Introduction of a resolution titled, Resolution of the Common Council of the City of New Haven, Indiana, Approving Amendments to the Declaratory Resolution and Economic Plan for the Interstate 469-Downtown Economic Development Area

Under new business item E, was the introduction of a resolution titled Resolution of the Common Council of the City of New Haven, Indiana, Approving Amendments to the Declaratory Resolution and Economic Plan for the Interstate 469-Downtown Economic Development Area. Amelia Gascoigne made a motion to approve, by title only, a resolution titled A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of New Haven, Indiana, Approving Amendments to the Declaratory Resolution and Economic Plan for the Interstate 469—Downtown Economic Development Area. Terry Werling seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only, and numbered Resolution R-26-11 a resolution titled Resolution of the Common Council of the City of New Haven, Indiana, Approving Amendments to the Declaratory Resolution and Economic Plan for the Interstate 469-Downtown Economic Development Area.

- F. Introduction and first reading of an ordinance titled, Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026

Under new business item F, was the first reading of an ordinance titled, Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026. Matt Newbauer made a motion to approve by title only an ordinance titled, Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026. Jeff Turner seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only, and numbered Ordinance A-26-2, An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026.

Jeff Turner made a motion to suspend the rules to allow the second reading and final passage of Ordinance A-26-2, An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026. Amelai Gascoigne seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Mike Mowery made a motion to amend the agenda to include the addition of the wording and/or in section 16 in the second reading and passage of Ordinance A-26-2, An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026. Matt Newbauer seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Amelia Gascoigne made a motion to approve by title only the second reading and passage of Ordinance A-26-2, An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026, with the addition of and/or in section 16. Jeff Turner seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

Nays: None

Clerk Treasurer Angela Hamrick read by title only, Ordinance A-26-2, An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of Each and Every Officer, Employee, Deputy, Assistant and Department and Institutional Head of the City of New Haven, Indiana, for the Year 2026

G. Approval of 2026 Conflict of Interest Forms

Under new business item G, was the approval of 2026 Conflict of Interest Forms. Mike Mowery made a motion to approve the 2026 Conflict of interest Forms, Matt Newbauer seconded the motion and the motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: Terry Werling, Amelia Gascoigne, Matt Newbauer, Jeff Turner, Craig Dellinger, Mike Mowery, and Bob Byrd

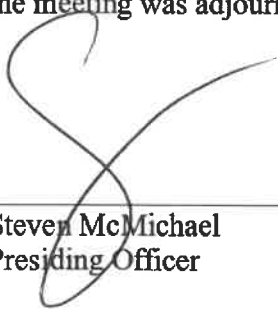
Nays: None

V. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY PROPERLY COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL


VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Terry Werling made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Matt Newbauer seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned.



Steven McMichael
Presiding Officer



Angie Hamrick
Clerk Treasurer