

City of Decatur
Board of Public Works & Safety Minutes
May 20, 2025

The City of Decatur Board of Public Works and Safety members met on May 20, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street, Decatur. Members present were Tyler Fullenkamp, Craig Coshow, and Mayor Dan Rickord. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Eran Hackman and City Attorney Anne Razo.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the May 6, 2025 meeting. Coshow made a motion to adopt the minutes of May 6, 2025 as emailed. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

The first item on the agenda was a motion by Coshow to make the letter of retirement from the Public Works Department by Joe Avalos a matter of record. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Next on the agenda was the LIV agreement with the Decatur Fire Department. Tony Lothridge, Fire Inspector, shared the agreement as an upgrade from the current vendor. The agreement is a three-year agreement which can be terminated within 90 days by either party. Fullenkamp made a motion to approve the LIV agreement. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted. Fullenkamp then made a motion to authorize Tony Lothridge to sign the LIV agreement. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Police Chief Kevin Gerber appeared before the Board seeking permission to trade in two vehicles—a 2016 Ford Explorer with 120,073 miles and a 2018 Ford Sedan with 76,263 miles. Chief Gerber shared Kelly offered \$7,000 for each vehicle for trade-in value which he felt was a generous offer. Fullenkamp made a motion to allow Chief Gerber to proceed with the trade-in of two vehicles. Seconded by Coshow, the motion was adopted.

Last on the agenda was an update and proposal for the fire contracts for Root, Union, St. Marys, and Washington Townships. Board Members were encouraged to study the proposals that need to be sent by July. It was shared that with the purchase of a new aerial firetruck, funding needs to be considered, and it was shared that the last update of the Township percentages charged was in the 1970's. It was shared that everyone needs to pay their fair share and the City should not subsidize the Townships.

Thus, with there being no other business on the agenda, Coshow made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Adjournment was at 6:17 P.M.