

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

Regular Meeting

January 6, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Shelbyville, Indiana, was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 8:30 A.M. Mayor Furgeson called the meeting to order. All members were present.

Mayor Furgeson entertained a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Reaves made that motion, and Mr. Meyerholtz seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

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Under old business, approval was requested by City Attorney Jenny Meltzer for the contract with McNeely Law LLP, which will provide contractual legal services. The total amount of the contract is \$135,158.14. There being no comments or questions, Mayor Furgeson entertained a motion to approve the contract as presented, and Mr. Meyerholtz made that motion. Mr. Reaves seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Under new business, Shelbyville Fire Chief Doug Lutes introduced the first interlocal agreement for EMS services with the Edinburgh Fire Department (EFD). EFD Chief Justin Lollar was also present for the discussion. This agreement aims to improve response times in the Southwest area of Shelby County, an area where SFD's coverage of 3 miles of I-65 often leads to delayed responses.

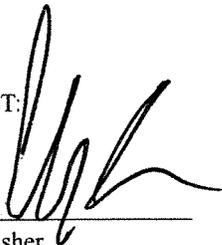
The existing practice involves SFD, through dispatch, reaching out to EFD simultaneously. The first department to arrive provides the necessary level of care. If EFD arrives first, SFD services can be disregarded. This new agreement formalizes the initial dispatch process. Chief Lutes strongly advocated for the agreement's benefits, a sentiment echoed by Mayor Furgeson, who deemed it a long-needed solution to a public safety issue. With that being said, Mr. Reaves made a motion to approve the agreement as presented, and Mr. Meyerholtz seconded. The motion carried 3-0.

Next under new business, at the last meeting, Mayor Furgeson announced the two proposals received for the new police station build-out: one from Envoy and Studio Axis, and the second from Meyer Najem and American Structurepoint. Both teams will be contacted, and the final recommendation will adhere to Indiana Code 5-23 Build Operate Transfers. The decision regarding the accepted proposal will be announced at the following meeting, contingent upon committee agreement.

Before adjournment, a local citizen expressed interest in obtaining advertising materials to promote Shelbyville and planned to meet with Public Relations Director, Jenna Martin, to discuss the next steps.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Furgeson entertained a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Meyerholtz moved to adjourn the Board of Public Works.

ATTEST:



Scott Asher
Clerk-Treasurer


Scott Furgeson
Mayor