

## Linden Town Board Meeting September 30, 2025

Town Board Member Paul Buckles started meeting streaming recording

Town of Linden 2026 Budget Public Hearing meeting called to order by Town Board President Wade Bennett at 7:00 pm

Roll Call: Present Town Board President Wade Bennett, Town Board Member Paul Buckles, Town Board Member Chasity Surface, Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Ordinance 2025-5 for adoption. Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign, Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote; motion carries

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented HEA1392 memorandum for board approval for FIT and CVET to be receipted into Town funds. After discussion, Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept. Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote; motion carries

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Water project PH claim #6 totaling \$189,074.50 total retainage held \$18,907.44, total due \$170,167.06. Board reviewed project documents Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept and sign Water project Patterson Horth claim # 6 documents; Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote; motion carries

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Therber, Brock & Associates, Engagement Letter for Rate Consulting Project Impact Services for the Water Utility, Storm Water, and Annexation options. Town Board President Wade Bennett read aloud. After discussion, Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign agreements and table Annexation agreement pending further information on property ownership and county meetings, Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote; motion carries

Town Board Member Chasity Surface presented updated 2025-4 chicken ordinance cost of fines \$100.00 with boarding fees \$15.00 per day. After discussion, Board agreed to advertise

Friends of Linden Chasity Surface reported Community Event Saturday September 27 was fun and busy and wanted to thank everyone involved.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported that he received a request for utility service be provided on empty lot east of town. After discussion, Town Board President Wade Bennett will contact individual for more information on request.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide update on water project is on schedule and be online by end of year.

Street Superintendent Earl Heide reported signs are ordered.

Town employee Richard Smith reported weed eating and mowing. Town Board Member Paul Buckles talked with Richard and in need of yellow paint.

Town Board Member Chasity Surface reported many complaints on barking dogs. Discussed issue with Town Marshal Mike Taylor. Town Marshal requests all residents to call Montgomery County Dispatch to report barking dogs, a report of the dog complaints will be recorded

Town Board Member Paul Buckles reported he has researched the ebike laws and Indiana Code has detailed regulations and no need for Town of Linden Ordinance. Town Marshal Mike Taylor can enforce Indiana Code, any complaints on ebikes should be directed to Montgomery County Dispatch.

Resident Steve Struck asked side by side rules.

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted the voucher register, for Board Members approval and signature. Board reviewed; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign voucher register; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted prior meeting minutes for Board Member signature. Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept and sign August 26, 2025 meeting minutes; Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted monthly bank reconciled report and financial reports for board signature. Board Members accepted and signed

Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to adjourn; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries, meeting adjourned 7:55pm

## Linden Town Board Members action

Yea

Nay

Wade Bennett

Town Board President

Paul Buckles

Town Board Member

Chasity Surface

Town Board Member

Attested by:Janet Heide, Clerk-TreasurerTranscribed October 5, 2025