

# HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF THE APRIL 8, 2025 MEETING

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The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center at 355 S. Washington Street, Danville, IN 46122 with the following Hendricks County personnel in attendance:

Dennis W. Dawes

Commissioner, President

**Bob Gentry** 

Commissioner, Vice President

Brad Whicker

Commissioner

R. Todd McCormack

**Executive Director** 

Mila M. Shaffer

Administration and Public Affairs

Greg Steuerwald

County Attorney

Ann Stark
Dave Gaston

Auditor

Maniania Dila

Surveyor

Marjorie Pike

Clerk

**Debbie Hoskins** 

Chief Deputy Clerk

John Ayers

Engineer

Doug Morris

I.T. Director

Jack Swalley

**Facilities Manager** 

Tim Dombrosky

Planning & Building Director

Curt Higginbotham

Highway Department Superintendent

Bart Harvey

Highway & Bridge Project Manager

Erin Hughes

Human Resources Administrator

Ryan Lemley

Parks & Recreation Superintendent

# PLEDGE TO THE FLAG, PRAYER, AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Commissioner Dawes opened the Meeting at 9:00 AM with a quorum of all three (3) Commissioners present, led the Pledge to the Flag in unison, and gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MARCH 25, 2025 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING AND OF THE MARCH 25, 2025 COMMISSIONERS' EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the March 25, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting and of the March 25, 2025 Commissioners' Executive Session as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

#### APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve Direct Deposit Numbers 261420-261978 and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning March 27, 2025 and ending April 9, 2025. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF BID OPENING FOR 2025-1 COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT FUNDED RESURFACING PROJECT

Commissioner Dawes closed the bids for the 2025-1 Community Crossings Grant Funded Resurfacing Project at 9:02 AM and John Ayers opened and read the following bids:

- Milestone Contractors \$2,857,000.00
- E & B Paving \$3,168,215.00
- Howard Companies \$3,147,912.25

John Ayers stated the bids would be reviewed and a recommendation presented at a later meeting.

# IN THE MATTER OF FIRST RESPONSE WELLNESS FOUNDATION

Zachary Bernstein, First Response Wellness Foundation, was not in attendance to present.

# IN THE MATTER OF OCV, LLC AGREEMENT FOR MOBILE APP

Marjorie Pike presented the OCV, LLC Agreement for four years for \$47, 976.00 for a Clerk's Office mobile application that would allow users access to different Clerk records, payments, voting locations, dates, times, approximate voting wait times, etc. and requested approval.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Marjorie Pike regarding the matter.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Agreement as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING OF GOVERNMENT CENTER STANDING SEAM ROOF

Jack Swalley recommended awarding the Government Center Standing Seam Roof Project to Blackmore & Buckner Roofing for \$1,048,800.00 (base bid \$1,012,700.00-\$38,500.00 for 24-gauge steel+\$17,500.00 for coping restoration+\$56,300.00 for cupola cladding) as the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

Commissioner Gentry moved to award the project to Blackmore & Buckner Roofing as recommended. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING ITEMS OF NO VALUE

Jack Swalley requested the following items be declared of no value so they can be destroyed and properly disposed of: (2) portable AC units, (25) file cabinets, (1) small safe, (26) small rolling file cabinets, (1) Gantry crane, (33) chairs, (20) office partition walls, (8) desks, extra carpet from various jobs, ceramic tile from various jobs, VCT tile from various jobs, extra arms for office chairs. (1) children's table with chairs, (1) lawn sprayer tank, COVID-19 supplies, (1) skid of leftover block from the Animal Shelter, and (11) fluorescent lights.

Commissioner Gentry moved to declare the items of no value so they can be destroyed and disposed of as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

### IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING ITEM AS SURPLUS

Jack Swalley requested (1) wood desk with hutch be declared as surplus and donated to the Hendrick County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex.

Commissioner Whicker moved to declare the item as surplus and donated to the Fairgrounds as requested. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF EMCOR SERVICES QUOTATION FOR THE COURTHOUSE

Jack Swalley presented the EMCOR Services Quotation for an amount not to exceed \$122,875.00 for the Courthouse circulation piping and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry approved the Quotation as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

### IN THE MATTER OF RAY'S DEMOLITION PROPOSAL

Jack Swalley presented the Ray's Demolition Proposal for \$61,750.00 to demolish the East Campus Building and requested approval. Jack Swalley reported the Proposal is good for one year and can be extended one time.

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Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Proposal as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF LOCAL ROAD SAFETY PLAN PUBLIC COMMENT SURVEY

Curt Higginbotham presented his proposed Local Road Safety Plan Public Comment Survey and requested permission to proceed with posting the Survey.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, Curt Higginbotham, and John Ayers regarding the matter.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners for Curt Higginbotham to proceed with posting his Survey.

Curt Higginbotham reported April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month, April 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> is National Work Zone Awareness Week, and advised he will be hosting traffic control training at the Fairgrounds during that time.

# IN THE MATTER OF 2024 BIANNUAL BRIDGE INVENTORY AND INSPECTION SUMMARY

Mitch Lankford, United Consulting, presented the 2024 Biannual Bridge Inventory and Inspection Summary for the Counties 259 bridges.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, John Ayers, Curt Higginbotham, and Mitch Lankford regarding the matter. The full report is on file in the Engineering Department.

# IN THE MATTER OF BRIDGE NO. 109 CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION CONTRACT

John Ayers presented the Bridge No. 109 Construction Inspection Contract with Clark Dietz for \$161,425.50 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Contract as recommended. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF CULVERT LB-102 DESIGN AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

John Ayers presented the Culvert LB-102 Design Agreement Amendment with Etica Group for \$20,110.00 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Amendment as recommended. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR 2025 SMALL STRUCTURE INSPECTIONS

John Ayers presented the Request for Qualifications for 2025 Small Structure Inspections and recommended approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Request as recommended. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY INSPECTION SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1

John Ayers presented the Ronald Reagan Parkway Inspection Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with United Consulting for \$599,954.00 and recommended approval. John Ayers advised this would bring the total Agreement amount to \$3,349,954.00.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, John Ayers, and Chris Pope (United Consulting) regarding the matter.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve Supplemental Agreement No. 1 as recommended. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Erin Hughes reported employee performance evaluations are due by June 1, 2025.

# IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

No matters presented.

# IN THE MATTER OF AUCTIONING HIGWAY DEPARTMENT SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

John Ayers requested three Athey travel loaders be declared as surplus so they can be sold at auction.

Commissioner Gentry moved to declare the three loaders as surplus as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

No matters presented.

#### IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Dawes thanked Debbi Fletcher for her efforts and communication during the recent severe weather that spawned a tornado in the Brownsburg area.

#### IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

# STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

- 1. Engineering Department Report of April 8, 2025 from John Ayers
- 2. Executive Director's Report of April 8, 2025 from Todd McCormack
- 3. I.T. Department Report of April 8, 2025 from Doug Morris
- 4. Facilities Department Report of April 8, 2025 from Jack Swalley
- 5. Highway Department Report of March 3-7, 2025, March 10-14, 2025, March 17-21, 2025, and March 24-28, 2025 from Curt Higginbotham
- 6. HR Report of March 22-April 4, 2025 from Erin Hughes
- 7. Animal Control/Shelter Report of March 21-April 3, 2025 from LaDonna Hughes
- 8. Treasurer's Monthly Report for March 2025 from Dawn Mayhood
- 9. Parks & Recreation Report of April 4, 2025 from Ryan Lemley

# **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

1. Letter from Farm Bureau Insurance regarding Bryce Chandler, claim no. 6700025212.

# IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gentry moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 9:52 AM on Tuesday, April 8, 2025. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Dennis W. Dawes, President

Bob Gentry, Vice President

Brad Whicker, Member