

HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF THE MARCH 25, 2025 MEETING

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The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, March 25, 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

Greg Steuerwald

County Attorney

Ann Stark

Auditor

Nicole Lawson

Assessor

Dawn Mayhood Scott Larsen Treasurer

Tiffany Dalton

Chief Deputy Sheriff Chief Deputy Surveyor

John Ayers

Engineer

Doug Morris

I.T. Director

Jack Swalley

Facilities Manager

Tim Dombrosky

Planning & Building Director

Erin Hughes

Human Resources Administrator

Dr. David Stopperich

County Health Officer

Krista Click

Health Department Administrator

Leanna Truitt

Health Department Program Manager

Anne Archer

Health Department Outreach Team Leader

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 11, 2025 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the March 11, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve Direct Deposit Numbers 260862-261419 and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning March 12, 2025 and ending March 26, 2025. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS ON CR 150 E. AND CR 900 N.

Commissioner Dawes opened the Public Hearing at 9:03 AM for the Ordinance for Maximum Speed Limits on Certain County Roads as follows:

STREET(S)	LOCATION	<u>LIMIT</u>
CR 150 E.	0.25 miles south of CR 900 N. to 0.25 miles north of CR 900 N.	40 MPH
CR 900 N.	0.25 miles west of CR 150 E. to 0.25 miles east of CR 150 E.	40 MPH

There were no remonstrators present and Commissioner Dawes closed the Public Hearing at 9:04 AM.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Ordinance No. 2025-07 was assigned to the Ordinance.

IN THE MATTER OF BID OPENING FOR GOVERNMENT CENTER STANDING SEAM ROOF

Commissioner Dawes closed the bids for the Government Center Standing Seam Roof Replacement Project at 9:04 AM and Jack Swalley opened and read the following base bids: AAA Roofing \$1,162,000.00, Blackmore & Buckner Roofing \$1,012,700.00, and Henry C. Smither Roofing \$1,318,850.00. Jack Swalley stated the bids would be reviewed and a recommendation presented at a later meeting.

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: Helmer refrigerator and freezer, (17) desks, (18) file cabinets, (20) chairs, (3) desk hutches, (5) bookcases, (6) book racks, and (1) USPS mailbox.

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 ITEMS AS SURPLUS

Jack Swalley requested the following items be declared as surplus and donated to the Hendrick County 4-H Fairgrounds & Conference Complex: (3) desks, (1) corner desk section, (3) rolling office chairs, (7) stationary office chairs, (1) desk topper cabinet, (1) large filing cabinet, and (5) high bar stools/chairs.

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

IN THE MATTER OF PINWHEEL GARDENS AND PROCLAMATION FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

Leanna Truitt requested permission to place the pinwheel gardens at the Courthouse and Government Center to spread awareness of the Pinwheels for Prevention campaign and to approve the Proclamation to proclaim April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Hendricks County.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve placing the pinwheels and the Proclamation as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF INDOT/LPA 2025-1 COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT AGREEMENT

John Ayers presented the INDOT/LPA 2025-1 Community Crossings Grant Agreement for \$1,500,000.00 and recommended approval. John Ayers stated the Agreement would be sent to Commissioner Dawes via DocuSign.

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

IN THE MATTER OF LEASE WITH AARON W. EVERETT FAMILY FARMS

John Ayers presented the Lease with Aaron W. Everett Family Farms for \$210.00 per acre per year for 15 acres of Ronald Reagan Parkway right-of-way owned by the County and recommended approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY

Commissioner Dawes recommended the Commissioners approve moving ahead with funding the next phase of the Ronald Reagan Parkway from CR 750 N. to CR 1000 N. Commissioner Dawes stated that if approved, they would go to the Council to request the next step for the funding.

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

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve moving ahead with the funding for the next phase as recommended. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT FOR FINANCING OF THE RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY EXTENSION

Commissioner Dawes presented the Letter of Engagement for Financing of the Ronald Reagan Parkway Extension with Barnes & Thornburg to serve as bond counsel.

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

IN THE MATTER OF POLICY REGARDING COUNTY EMPLOYEE TRAINING THROUGH LEADERSHIP HENDRICKS COUNTY

Commissioner Dawes presented the Policy Regarding County Employee Training through Leadership Hendricks County, specifically for the Ember Leadership Academy, prepared by Todd McCormack.

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

IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Jim Murphy, 10726 N. State Road 267 in Brownsburg, discussed the Interlocal Agreement with the Towns via Resolution from several years back regarding the Ronald Reagan Parkway and the Town of Brownsburg's plan to grab the TIFs from the County along the Parkway and the overlay. Jim Murphy advised the Town of Brownsburg states they have the County's blessing to do so and inquired how they can move forward if the County has not approved it, and if the County has approved it, what was the date and time of the approval.

Jim Murphy expresses his concerns about widening CR 1000 N. and purchasing right-of-way to the County line.

Commissioner Dawes reported action taken earlier in the meeting will lock in the County's TIF all the way to CR 1000 N. and cannot be touched by another entity. Commissioner Dawes thanked Jim Murphy for his input and way of thinking.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Nicole Lawson reported their 2025 ratio study for values was approved by the State last week and they are on time to have Form 11s out by the end of April.

Dawn Mayhood reported tax bills will hopefully go out in the mail on April 9, 2025, if not before.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

No matters presented.

IN THE MATTER OF ONLINE AUCTION OF COUNTY OWNED PARCEL

Todd McCormack presented the online auction documents from Public Surplus for the County owned parcel in Liberty Township and requested approval to proceed with advertising the parcel for auction.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to proceed with advertising the parcel for auction. The link to the

IN THE MATTER OF EAST CAMPUS BUILDING

Commissioner Dawes reported the Commissioners plan to demolish the East Campus Building as soon as possible and requested Ryan Lemley cooperate with Jack Swalley to relocate the Parks Department Office to accommodate the demolition.

Ryan Lemley agreed to cooperate with Jack Swalley and advised his budget may need some assistance with all the projects they have going on to accommodate the relocation.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Jack Swalley regarding the quote from Ray's Demolition for the demolition of the East Campus Building.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Dawes reported Tim Dombrosky will be moving forward with action on the unfinished properties on Vestal Road and in the Parks of Prestwick as they had discussed with him.

Commissioner Dawes reported the Coroner gave them a 2024 report and thanked him for it.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

- 1. Engineering Department Report of March 25, 2025 from John Ayers
- 2. Executive Director's Report of March 25, 2025 from Todd McCormack
- 3. I.T. Department Report of March 25, 2025 from Doug Morris
- 4. Facilities Department Report of March 25, 2025 from Jack Swalley
- 5. HR Report of March 8-21, 2025 from Erin Hughes
- 6. Animal Control/Shelter Report of March 10, 2025 from LaDonna Hughes
- 7. EMA Report of March 11-21, 2025 from Debbi Fletcher
- 8. Weights & Measures Report of February 19, 2025-March 14, 2025 from Bob Butler.
- 9. Parks & Recreation Report of March 20, 2025 from Ryan Lemley

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 1. Notice of Survey Letter from Citizens Energy Group.
- 2. Notice of Tort Claim from Boren, Oliver & Coffey representing Darrell and Kathleen Robinson.
- 3. Notice of Tort Claim from Oliver & Cline representing Bolarinwa Adele-Bolaji.
- 4. Notice of Tort Claim from Ken Nunn Law Office representing the surviving heirs of Braxton G. Garvin.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Whicker moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 9:42 AM on Tuesday, March 25, 2025. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Dennis W. Dawes, President

Bob Gentry, Vice President,

Brad Whicker, Member