



## **HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

### **MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 12, 2025 MEETING**

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The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, August 12, 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
Mila M. Shaffer	Administration and Public Affairs
Greg Steuerwald	County Attorney
Ann Stark	Auditor
Larry Hesson	Councilman
Nancy Marsh	Councilwoman
Jack Sadler	Sheriff
Laura Herzog	Recorder
Marjorie Pike	Clerk
D.J. Riley	Chief Deputy Clerk
Catherine Haines	Court Administrator
John Ayers	Engineer
Doug Morris	I.T. Director
Paul Weddle	Facilities Manager (Interim)
Erin Hughes	Human Resources Administrator
Tim Dombrosky	Planning & Building Director
Debbi Fletcher	EMA Director
Ryan Lemley	Parks & Recreation Superintendent

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#### **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 of Allegiance in unison, and gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

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#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JUNE 10, 2025 JOINT MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS AND COUNCIL AND OF THE JULY 22, 2025 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2025 Joint Meeting of the Commissioners and Council and of the July 22, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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#### **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS**

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve Direct Deposit Numbers 265881-266999 and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning July 24, 2025 and ending August 13, 2025. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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## **IN THE MATTER OF AIC SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION**

David Bottorff, AIC, presented Colton McClure with a \$500.00 college scholarship from SRI and congratulated him on his achievements. Colton McClure is the grandson of Councilman, Larry Hesson.

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## **IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING ON KOGER STREET**

John Ayers presented the proposed ordinance prohibiting parking at all times on Koger Street from SR 39 to the end and advised the fine for violating the ordinance to \$500.00. John Ayers stated Greg Steuerwald requested the Ordinance be amended to read that parking is prohibited from SR 39 to the end of the cul-de-sac to clarify that no parking is allowed anywhere on Koger Street, including in the cul-de-sac.

Commissioner Dawes opened the Public Hearing at 9:08 AM. There were no remonstrators present and Commissioner Dawes closed the Public Hearing at 9:09 AM.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Ordinance with the recommended amendments. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and stated the County needs to do whatever they can to help expedite Love's and the other developer that's creating additional semi parking in the area so they have a place to park. The motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Ordinance No. 2025-24 was assigned.

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## **IN THE MATTER OF B&O TRAIL ASSOCIATION CONSERVATION EASEMENT**

Jeff Smallwood, B&O Trail Association (BOTA) reported James and Virginia Daniel's septic system failed and needs replaced and presented a letter requesting the Commissioners approval for the BOTA to grant them a small easement on parcel ID number 32-05-03-100-007.000-007 that belongs to the BOTA, but is under a conservation easement in favor of Hendricks County, so the Daniel's can construct a drainage outlet required for their septic permit. Jeff Smallwood advised this easement will not impact the BOTA's construction whatsoever.

Commissioner Gentry stated this is very gracious of the BOTA and moved to approve the letter as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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## **IN THE MATTER OF 2025 GOBBLE GALLOP 5K**

Roland Smith, Avon YMCA, presented the proposed course map for the 2025 YMCA Gobble Gallop 5K and requested permission to close the affected county roads during the event (Exhibit A).

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the course map and closures for the 2025 Gobble Gallop. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

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## **IN THE MATTER OF 2025 HOG JOG 5K**

No representative from St. Malachy Catholic Church was in attendance to present the request. Commissioner Dawes advised this has been granted before and the emailed course map appears to be the same for the 2025 St. Malachy Hog Jog (Exhibit B) and inquired if they had reached out to Sheriff Sadler.

Sheriff Sadler advised they had not reached out to him but he thinks the Church provides their own security that handles the lane closure.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the course map and lane closure for the 2025 Hog Jog. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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## **IN THE MATTER OF 2025 SPECIAL ELECTION MACHINE TECHNICIAN CONTRACT**

Marjorie Pike presented the 2025 Special Election Machine Technician Contract with Scott Butrum for \$1,500.00 and requested approval.

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

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**IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION FOR  
EARLY VOTING AT AVON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Marjorie Pike and D.J. Riley presented a Resolution Establishing an Additional Location for the Office of the Circuit Court Clerk to Conduct Early Voting at the Avon United Methodist Church for the Washington Township Special Election and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Resolution No. 2025-25 was assigned.

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**IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION FOR  
EARLY VOTING AT THE HENDRICKS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS**

Marjorie Pike and D.J. Riley presented a Resolution Regarding Early Voting at the Fairgrounds to relocate early voting from the Government Center to the Fairgrounds for elections in 2026, 2027, and 2028 and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Resolution as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Resolution No. 2025-26 was assigned.

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**IN THE MATTER OF INCREASING A SUPERIOR COURT NO. 5 CREDIT CARD LIMIT**

Catherine Haines requested the credit limit on the Superior Court No. 5 VISA ending in 5959 be increased from \$500.00 to \$2,000.00.

Commissioner Dawes inquired if \$2,000.00 was enough. Catherine Haines stated it was because there are two or three other credit cards in this Court with a \$2,000.00 credit limit each that could be utilized as well.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the credit limit increase as requested. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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**IN THE MATTER OF INCREASING A TREASURER'S OFFICE CREDIT CARD LIMIT**

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve increasing another one of the Treasurer's Office VISA credit card limits to \$1,500.00 retroactive to Commissioner Dawes' verbal approval on July 22, 2025. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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**IN THE MATTER OF EMCOR HVAC MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL**

Paul Weddle presented the EMCOR HVAC Maintenance Proposal for \$59,200.00 total for two years for preventative maintenance at the Government Center and Courthouse and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Proposal as presented. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Commissioner Dawes thanked Paul Weddle for all he's doing to step in during a difficult situation.

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**IN THE MATTER OF CITIZENS WATER CONSENT TO ENCROACHMENT**

Jon Ayers stated he hadn't received the final contract from Citizens Water yet and needed to hold off on this item.

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**IN THE MATTER OF INDOT CONTRACT FOR BRIDGE INSPECTIONS**

John Ayers presented the INDOT Contract for the Countywide Bridge Inspection and Inventory Program for Cycle Years 2026-2029 to be signed by Commissioner Dawes via DocuSign 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.

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**IN THE MATTER OF PRAIRIE MANOR CONCRETE QUOTE**

John Ayers reported four quotes were solicited for the replacement of approximately 5,500 sf of concrete at the

entrance to Prairie Manor and recommended awarding the work to Charles Fish Construction for \$85,000.00 as the lowest quote.

Commissioner Gentry moved to award the work to Charles Fish as recommended. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

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**IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

No matters presented.

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**IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Sheriff Jack Sadler presented the finalized Command Cloud Contract approved at the last meeting for signing.

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**IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY**

No matters presented.

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**IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Dawes presented Amendment No. 1 to the Purchase Agreement for 1475 E. Main Street in Danville to waive a structural inspection and requested approval.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve Amendment No. 1 as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Commissioner Gentry requested the record reflect his recommendation for the County to waive the driveway permit fee for ag field entrances when the Highway Department raises the road height with added pavement. Commissioner Gentry recommended the farmers reach out to John Ayers and Curt Higginbotham to have it waived and consider doing something similar to the mailbox allowance.

John Ayers stated if it is an existing apron into the field, they do not need a permit to add stone to the same apron.

Commissioner Gentry reported he was at the Tire Amnesty Day and stated the Health Department did a tremendous job and the Highway Department did a tremendous job helping them.

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**IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE**

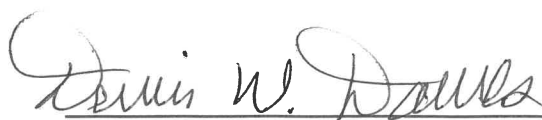
**STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED**

1. Engineering Department Report of August 12, 2025 from John Ayers
2. I.T. Department Report of August 12, 2025 from Doug Morris
3. Facilities Department Report of August 12, 2025 from Paul Weddle
4. HR Report of July 19-August 8, 2025 from Erin Hughes
5. Animal Control/Shelter Report of July 18-August 7, 2025 from LaDonna Hughes
6. Highway Department Report of June 30-July 4, 2025, July 7-11, 2025, July 12-18, 2025, and July 21-25, 2025, from Curt Higginbotham
7. Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending June 30, 2025 from Dawn Mayhood
8. Parks & Recreation Report of August 8, 2025 from Ryan Lemley

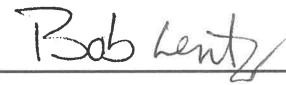
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**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

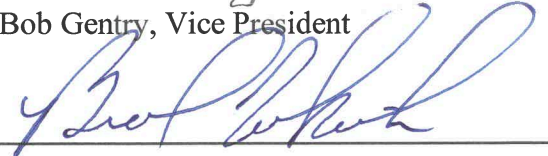
Commissioner Dawes adjourned the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 9:32 AM on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.



Dennis W. Dawes, President



Bob Gentry, Vice President



Brad Whicker, Member

Prepared by:

  
Mila M. Shaffer

## EXHIBIT A





