

HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 28, 2025 MEETING

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The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, October 28, 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

Auditor

Dave Cox Jack Sadler Councilman, Vice President

Dan Chubb

Sheriff Coroner

Dam Chubb

Dawn Mayhood

Treasurer

Doug Morris

I.T. Director

Paul Weddle

. I . Director

Catherine Haines

Facilities Manager Court Administrator

Bridgette Collins

Work Release Director

Erin Hughes

Human Resources Administrator

Chad Boruff

Chief Probation Officer

Tim Dombrosky

Planning & Building Director

Ian James

Planner

Debbi Fletcher

EMA Director

Sharon Sheronick

EMA Administrative Assistant

Kim Galloway

Assistant Engineer

Mark Chmielewski

Government Center Security Deputy Parks & Recreation Superintendent

Ryan Lemley Brandon Keisker

Animal Control Officer Supervisor

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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 14, 2025 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Minutes of the October 14, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve Check Number 110628, Direct Deposit Numbers 269216-269772, and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning October 16, 2025 and ending

October 29, 2025. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY AIC AWARD PRESENTATION

Councilman Cox presented the 2025 County Achievement Award from the Association of Indiana Counties (AIC) for Hendricks County's Youth Assistance Program and gave a Program update. Councilman Cox reported the Council unanimously approved him getting seven more small plaques so each entity involved with the Program would have their own and requested approval by the Commissioners as well.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to approve the additional plaques as requested.

IN THE MATTER OF DUKE ENERGY GRANT PRESENTATION

Debbi Fletcher, Sharon Sheronick, and Jean Renk (Duke Energy) presented the County with a \$5,000.00 grant check from Duke Energy. Debbi Fletcher reported that Sharon Sheronick applied for the grant and advised the funds will be used to purchase approximately 150 weather radios to distribute to residents of Hendricks County.

IN THE MATTER OF B&O TRAIL IRRIGATION WATER LINE EASEMENT CONSENT

Jeff Smallwood, B&O Trail Association, requested consent to grant an irrigation water line easement for Chad Hinshaw (formerly Britton Farms) across a portion of parcel number 32-05-06-300-004.000-007 due to the parcel having a conservation easement in favor of Hendricks County. Jeff Smallwood advised the water line has been there since 1999, but there currently is no easement in place.

Commissioner Gentry moved to allow the easement as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF TOWN OF CENTER VALLEY

Alan McKamey, Fire Department of Liberty Township Assistant Chief, reported he's put the petition for his proposed "Town of Center Valley" on the backburner and was here to discuss the possibility of establishing a fire protection district in the Liberty Township area instead. Alan McKamey advised that to be able to present a petition for a fire protection district, at least 20% of the freeholders (minimum of 500) or the Town of Clayton, would have to be on board to make the petition and requested permission to continue working on the details of creating the district. Alan McKamey stated that if a district is formed and the district has at least \$1 billion in assets, the district would remain even if/when the Town of Plainfield annexes the area because without this in place, the Fire Department of Liberty Township would most likely be eliminated.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Alan McKamey regarding the matter.

Commissioner Dawes advised that public safety is always one of the highest priorities of the Commissioners and if Alan McKamey feels he has the public support to move ahead and present something to them later on, the Commissioners are open to hearing more about it after he finds out more information.

IN THE MATTER OF ZA 529/25: LASER LOGISTICS, LLC

Tim Dombrosky presented an Ordinance to amend the zoning map of Hendricks County from MI (Major Industrial) District to GB (General Business) District, commonly known as ZA 529/25: Laser Logistics, LLC, S29-T16N-R2E, Washington Township, parcel totaling 1.443 acres +/-, located on the west side of Raceway Road between E. CR 300 N. and E CR 200 N (2478 N Raceway Road). Tim Dombrosky advised the Plan Commission voted unanimously 7-0 during their October 14, 2025 Public Hearing to send a favorable recommendation to the Commissioners and stated there were no remonstrators. Tim Dombrosky stated this was formally Westside Gymnastics that closed last year after a fire and they are wanting to turn it into a sports training facility.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the rezoning as recommended. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Ordinance No. 2025-37 was assigned.

IN THE MATTER OF TEK84 ANNUAL SERVICE AGREEMENT

Bridgette Collins presented the Tek84 Annual Service Agreement for \$11,800.00 for the Work Release Facility body scanner and requested approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF CORONER'S OFFICE ORDINANCE FOR COLLECTION OF FEES

Dan Chubb presented the proposed Coroner's Office Ordinance for Collection of Fees and requested a public hearing be scheduled. Dan Chubb reported they've been charging fees and realized they've never had an ordinance for the fees in place.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to hold a public hearing at the November 12, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting for the proposed ordinance.

IN THE MATTER OF CASEBASE SOFTWARE USAGE AGREEMENT

Chad Boruff presented the CaseBase Software Usage Agreement for \$1,500.00 per month and requested approval. Chad Boruff reported CaseBase is an AI-driven case management system that will allow them to spend more face-to-face time with clients to be more effective than doing administrative work, and they've been demoing the software for about 4-5 months.

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 SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2 CARPET REPLACEMENT

Paul Weddle presented a quote from Brewer Custom Floors and Moore and a quote from Jack Laurie Group to replace the carpet in Superior Court No. 2 and requested approval of the quote from Brewer as the lowest responsive quote. Paul Weddle reported they are still selecting the exact carpet but regardless of the type selected, Brewer will still be less than Jack Laurie Group, and Brewer is a local company.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Brewer quote as requested. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF SUPERIOR COURT NO. 2 FURNITURE REPLACEMENT

Paul Weddle presented quotes from Paragon Resources totaling \$57,001.00 to replace furniture in Superior Court No. 2 and requested approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF WORK RELEASE HVAC BUILDING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Paul Weddle presented a quote from Precision Controls for \$114,904.00 and a quote from Open Control Systems for \$124,800.00 to replace the Work Release HVAC Building Management System and requested approval of the quote from Precision Controls as the lowest responsive quote.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Precision Controls quote as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER OF PROPERTY TO THE TOWN OF DANVILLE

Paul Weddle requested the twenty-five foot Christmas tree that used to be in the Courthouse rotunda be transferred to the Town of Danville as it has not been put up in the Courthouse for a few years due to security concerns.

Commissioner Gentry moved to transfer ownership of the tree to the Town of Danville as requested. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR 2026 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PRODUCTS & SUPPLIES

Kim Galloway presented the Notice to Bidders for 2026 Highway Department Products and Supplies and requested approval.

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Notice as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously. Bids shall be due by 9:00 AM on November 25, 2025.

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TAX SALE CERTIFICATES

Ann Stark presented the Resolution Assigning Tax Sale Certificates to Hendricks County for the two parcels the Commissioners were interested in that did not sell at the last tax sale 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. 2025-38 was assigned.

IN THE MATTER OF 2026 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING SCHEDULE

Mila Shaffer presented the 2026 Commissioners' Meeting Schedule for approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT NO. 3 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2025-36 FOR 1475 E. MAIN STREET PURCHASE

Commissioner Whicker moved to ratify Amendment No. 3 to Purchase Agreement and Resolution No. 2025-36 to authorize the purchase and closing of 1475 E. Main Street that were approved remotely. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE HRH BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Commissioner Gentry moved to appoint Dr. Mark Gentry and Tim Whicker to serve another four-year term on the Hendricks Regional Health (HRH) Board of Trustees. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Their terms shall expire on December 31, 2029.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Tim Dombrosky and Ian James requested permission to create a Facebook page for the Plan Commission and Planning and Building to be better engaged with the public and share meeting information and project updates. Tim Dombrosky reported it was the consensus of the Plan Commission to cautiously move forward.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, Tim Dombrosky, and Ian James regarding the matter and Tim Dombrosky advised he's not sure if the page will allow public comments or not.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to allow them to move forward with creating the Facebook page.

Jay Thompson, 7722 Quail Creek Trace in Pittsboro, recommended proceeding with caution with social media and advised Facebook has over 16 pages of their terms of service and over 40 pages of their privacy policy that will need to be reviewed by Greg Steuerwald that is a pretty involved legal document.

Jay Thompson reported he found some more issues with the cell signal booster at the Government Center and thinks the County needs to go back to the company that installed it and have them come back to install it correctly. Commissioner Dawes recommended he work with Paul Weddle. Jay Thompson advised the cell booster should also be registered and he did not find a registration for it.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Dawn Mayhood regarding an email that she had sent recommending the County not go into the proposed property tax deferral program.

Commissioner Dawes advised it was the consensus of the Commissioners to support the Treasurer and move ahead as is, and not go into the proposed deferral program. Dawn Mayhood thanked the Commissioners.

IN THE MATTER OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF AVON FOR CR 525 E.

Kim Galloway presented a Resolution Approving the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Town of Avon and Hendricks County for the Agreement that was approved at the September 23, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting for the improvements along CR 525 E. 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. 2025-39 was assigned.

IN THE MATTER OF MEAL ALLOWANCE FOR TRAVEL

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Todd McCormack regarding the County meal allowance rates for travel compared to the State's rates.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners for Todd McCormack to research the matter more.

IN THE MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Dawes reported an Executive Session needs to be scheduled to discuss personnel issues.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to schedule an Executive Session on November 12, 2025 following the Regional Sewer Board Meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF SOCIAL MEDIA

Doug Morris advised that with the Plan Commission and Planning and Building expanding to social media, he will need to research the public information archiving retention requirements that will have to be in place because any social media is considered public information and subject to public records requests.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners and Doug Morris regarding the matter and Doug Morris stated that some use social media software called ArchiveSocial and he will look into it further.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

No matters presented.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Dawes reported the County entered into a space study a year or so ago that's been completed and advised nothing has been approved by the Commissioners, and at some point in time the Commissioners will move forward with it and will make it a public document, but they are not yet ready for public input at this time nor are they ready to do anything with the study.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

- 1. Engineering Department Report of October 28, 2025 from John Ayers
- 2. Executive Director Report of October 28, 2025 from Todd McCormack
- 3. I.T. Department Report of October 28, 2025 from Doug Morris
- 4. Facilities Department Report of October 28, 2025 from Paul Weddle
- 5. HR Report of October 11-24, 2025 from Erin Hughes

- 6. Highway Department Report of October 6-10, 2025 and October 13-17, 2025 from Curt Higginbotham
- 7. Weights & Measures Report of September 15-October 16, 2025 from Robert Butler
- 8. Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending September 30, 2025 from Dawn Mayhood
- 9. Parks & Recreation Report of October 24, 2025 from Ryan Lemley

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 1. Letter from Ken Nunn Law Office representing Shawn D. Ryan
- 2. Notice of Tort Claim from Stewart & Stewart representing Vincent Calahan

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dawes adjourned the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 9:55 AM on Tuesday, October 28, 2025.

Dennis W. Dawes, President

Bob Gentry, Vice President

Brad Whicker, Member

Prepared by:

Mila M. Shaffer