



HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 10, 2026 MEETING

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The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 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
John Ayers	Engineer
Jack Sadler	Sheriff
Nicki Lawson	Assessor
Jeff Hughes	Merit Lieutenant
Paul Weddle	Facilities Manager
Tim Dombrosky	Planning Director
Billy Staley	Veterans Service Officer
Stephen Andrews	Assistant Veterans Service Officer
Kasey Johnson	Highway Assistant Superintendent
John Gramling	Assistant I.T. Director
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 and led the Pledge of Allegiance in unison. Greg Steuerwald gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 27, 2026 COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve the Minutes of the January 27, 2026 Commissioners' Meeting as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Whicker moved to approve Direct Deposit Numbers 273634-274572 and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning January 29, 2026 and ending February 11, 2026. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF 2026 BID OPENING FOR PROFESSIONAL APPRAISER

Nicki Lawson reported she received two responses to her Notice to Bidders for a Professional Appraiser for appraisal services and advised this is for more than an appraiser, it's for appraisal services for numerous types of reassessments, annual trending, etc.

Greg Steuerwald stated these are not bids and are actual requests for proposals for professional services and requested Nicki Lawson proceed with opening the proposals she received.

Nicki Lawson opened the following proposals for professional services:

- Nexus Group for \$160,000.00 per year, totaling \$640,000.00 for four years
- Nexus LTD for \$170,000.00 per year, totaling \$680,000.00 for four years

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, Nicki Lawson, and Greg Steuerwald regarding the matter and Greg Steuerwald requested Nicki Lawson review the proposals and bring back a recommendation at the next Commissioners' Meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF SB433 DISCUSSION

Josh Tolen, Indiana Department of Veteran Affairs District Service Officer, reported SB433 implemented State accreditation standards for Veterans Service Officers (VSOs) and stated Hendricks County's VSOs meet and exceed the standards and is a great office that he was happy to have been a part of. Josh Tolen advised he will be doing biannual reports to let the Commissioners know if the office is meeting or exceeding expectations.

The Commissioners thanked Josh Tolen for his comments regarding the County's VSOs, a position he formerly held, and stated they agreed with him and the job that Billy Staley does.

IN THE MATTER OF ENTERPRISE LEASE CONTRACTS FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT VEHICLES

Sheriff Sadler presented the Enterprise Lease Contracts to begin leasing vehicles for the Sheriff's Department and requested approval. Sheriff Sadler stated this is part of a ten-year plan that will keep the Department in newer, safer vehicles and result in cost savings for the taxpayers.

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

IN THE MATTER OF INDOT RAILROAD CROSSING GRANT AGREEMENT

John Ayers presented the INDOT Railroad Grade Crossing Fund Grant Agreement for \$11,737.00 for signage and pavement marking improvements at railroad crossings and recommended approval.

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 APPOINT PROXY VETERINARIAN TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY GROUP

Commissioner Gentry moved to appoint Dr. Darcy Crook as the proxy veterinarian to serve on the Animal Control Advisory Group. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

John Bates, 2346 Liatris Drive in Plainfield, presented a formal request to Todd McCormack for documents related to the Animal Control Shelter. John Bates reported the County has seven business days to respond, that there are very few exceptions to providing it, and if they deny his request they need to give him a means to appeal.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Sadler presented the LETAC Policies360 Law Enforcement Policies Software as a Service and Hosting Subscription Agreement for \$18,300.00 for merit policy development and requested approval.

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 NEW HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT SUPERINTENDENT

John Ayers reported the new Highway Department Superintendent with start on March 2, 2026.

The Commissioners thanked Kasey Johnson for all he's been doing on an interim basis.

IN THE MATTER OF ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT LARGE FORMAT SCANNER/PRINTER

John Ayers reported the Engineering Department needs to replace their large format scanner/printer and requested approval to move forward with the quote they received from Cannon for \$10,695.00. John Ayers stated he has funds in his budget for the purchase.

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

IN THE MATTER OF AGREED FINDINGS AND JUDGMENT

John Ayers presented an Agreed Findings and Judgment with Ronald and Kristi Endres to purchase a portion of parcel number 32-13-15-300-006.000-009 for \$42,500.00 for right-of-way for Bridge No. 136 and requested approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY GROUP BOARD MEETING

Commissioner Gentry reported the next Animal Control Advisory Group Board Meeting will be February 24, 2026 at 5:30 PM and a facility walk through is scheduled for February 19, 2026 at 4:00 PM. Commissioner Gentry commended Todd McCormack for how he handled the last meeting and thanked him for all he has done.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

No matters presented.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

No matters presented.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

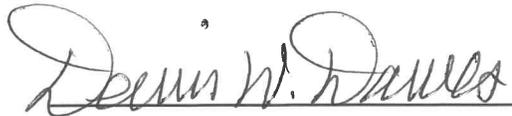
1. Engineering Department Report of February 10, 2026 from John Ayers
2. Executive Director Report of February 10, 2026 from Todd McCormack
3. I.T. Department Report of February 10, 2026 from Doug Morris
4. Facilities Department Report of February 10, 2026 from Paul Weddle
5. HR Report of January 24-February 6, 2026 from Erin Hughes
6. Animal Control Shelter Report of January 23-February 5, 2026 from Angela Tate
7. Parks & Recreation Report of February 6, 2026 from Ryan Lemley

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

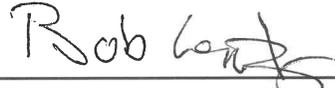
1. Summons and Complaint for Damages from Parr Richey Frandsen Patterson Kruse representing Phyllis A. Bockelman
2. Petition, Affidavit, and Claim for Damages from Phyllis-Marie Koett

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

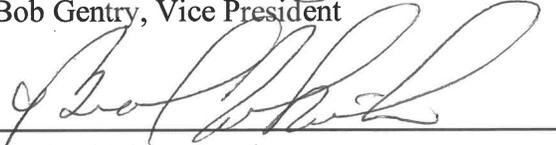
Commissioner Gentry moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 9:20 AM on February 10, 2026. Commissioner Whicker seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.



Dennis W. Dawes, President



Bob Gentry, Vice President



Brad Whicker, Member

Prepared by:



Mila M. Shaffer