



HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2022 MEETING

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 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:

Phyllis A. Palmer	Commissioner, President
Bob Gentry	Commissioner, Vice President
Dennis W. Dawes	Commissioner
R. Todd McCormack	Executive Director
Greg Steuerwald	County Attorney
Mila M. Shaffer	Administration and Public Affairs
Nancy Marsh	Auditor
Brett Clark	Sheriff
David Gaston	Surveyor
Pawnie Stroud	Chief Deputy Treasurer
Mark Chmielewski	Government Center Security Deputy
John Ayers	Engineer
Doug Morris	I.T. Director
Kevin Cavanaugh	Facilities Manager
Dawn Mason	Emergency Management Director
Bart Harvey	Highway & Bridge Project Manager
Tim Dombrosky	Planning & Building Director
Brian Hurskainen	Senior Planner
Erin Hughes	Human Resources Administrator
Billy Staley	Veterans Service Officer
Jeff Corder	Public Health Preparedness Coordinator
Ryan Lemley	Parks & Recreation Superintendent
Catherine Haines	Court Administrator (Attended Remotely)
Dan Chubb	Chief Deputy Coroner (Attended Remotely)
Susan Bentley	Chief Probation Officer (Attended Remotely)
Kim Galloway	Assistant Engineer (Attended Remotely)
Curt Higginbotham	Highway Department Superintendent (Attended Remotely)
Terry Benton	Highway Department Office Manager (Attended Remotely)

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

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

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the October 11, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting as presented. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve Payroll Check Numbers 110561-110563, Direct Deposit Check

Numbers 226363-226878, and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning October 13, 2022 and ending October 26, 2022 as presented. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No matters presented.

IN THE MATTER OF BID OPENING FOR BRIDGE NO. 155 AND BRIDGE NO. 260

Commissioner Palmer closed the bids for Bridge No. 155 and Bridge No. 260 at 9:03 AM. John Ayers opened and read the following bids:

VENDOR	BRIDGE NO. 155 BID AMOUNT	BRIDGE NO. 260 BID AMOUNT
Beaty Construction	\$874,400.00	\$627,700.00
Duncan Robertson	\$735,532.00	\$622,173.70
Force Construction	\$999,031.70	\$873,233.50
H.I.S. Constructors, Inc.	\$947,356.51	No Bid
White Construction	\$1,045,000.00	\$910,000.00

John Ayers advised the bids will be taken under advisement and recommendations presented on a later date.

IN THE MATTER OF BUSINESS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN HENDRICKS COUNTY

Commissioner Palmer reported the Recognition Committee consisting of herself, Nancy Marsh, Todd McCormack, John Ayers, and Erin Hughes recommends recognizing Ray's Trash Service as a Business Making a Difference in Hendricks County for all the contributions they've made to the County and the residents over the past 57 years. Commissioner Palmer stated Ray's truly is an American success story and thanked them for the difference they've made in Hendricks County the past almost six decades. Commissioner Palmer advised that while raising a family, Ray Matthews started the business with one pickup truck, and worked hard to grow it into a business that provides trash and recycling services for 17 Indiana counties. Ray's Trash Service has sponsored and donated to various organizations in Hendricks County and surrounding counties.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to name Ray's Trash Service as a Business Making a Difference in Hendricks County.

Ray Matthews (founder of Ray's), Don Matthews (Ray's son and President), and Nevada Matthews (Ray's grandson and Sales and Marketing Director) were present to accept the award from the Commissioners. Don Matthews stated his parents, Ray and Barbara Matthews, started the business back in 1965 with one truck and grew over the past almost six decades to employ close to 650 people within their 8 facilities. Don Matthews advised his parents gave 10% of their earnings to the church from day 1 and stated his parents, Ray and Barbara Matthews, built the foundation for what Ray's was all about. Don Matthews stated it has been his honor to serve as the President of Ray's since 1981 with his dad's support and can remember him and his three siblings having to answer the home phone, "Ray's Trash Service", while growing up. Don Matthews reported they've been blessed and stated their employees over the years contributed to their success. They plan to continue to operate the metals and demolition side of the business.

Commissioner Palmer presented the award certificate to the family and stated the business name would be added to the plaque in the Government Center.

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAMATION HONORING NATIVE AMERICANS

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to present DAR representative, Darlene Lewis, with a proclamation honoring Native Americans. Commissioner Palmer read the proclamation:

PROCLAMATION HONORING NATIVE AMERICANS

WHEREAS: *The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners recognizes that the history and culture of our great nation have been significantly influenced by American Indians; and*

WHEREAS: *The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners acknowledges the contributions of American Indians have enhanced the freedom, prosperity, and greatness of America today; and*

WHEREAS: *The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners emphasizes the importance that American Indian customs and traditions be respected and celebrated as part of a rich legacy throughout the United States; and*

WHEREAS: *The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners appreciates that Native American Awareness Week began in 1976 and was expanded by Congress and approved by President George H. W. Bush in August 1990, designating the month of November National American Indian Heritage Month;*

NOW, THEREFORE, the Hendricks County Board of Commissioners proclaims November 21, 2022, as AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE DAY in the County of Hendricks, State of Indiana.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the County of Hendricks to be affixed this 25th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-two.

Commissioner Palmer presented Darlene Lewis with the proclamation.

IN THE MATTER OF CITIZEN MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN HENDRICKS COUNTY

Commissioner Palmer reported the Recognition Committee consisting of herself, Nancy Marsh, Todd McCormack, John Ayers, and Erin Hughes recommends recognizing Rhonda Beck as a Citizen Making a Difference in Hendricks County for her passion and work recognizing Veterans in Hendricks County. Commissioner Palmer advised Rhonda Beck works tirelessly for the Veterans and acknowledges them in many ways, with one being the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Courthouse, and another one being the Veteran remembrance banners on streetlights in each of the towns.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to name Rhonda Beck as a Citizen Making a Difference in Hendricks County. Commissioner Palmer presented the award certificate to Rhonda Beck and stated her name would be added to the plaque in the Government Center.

Rhonda Beck thanked the Commissioners for the recognition and advised she doesn't do it for herself, she does it for the Veterans to help get them the recognition they deserve, and feels it is her purpose in life. Rhonda Beck stated she is truly humbled and working with Veterans is something she is passionate about.

Commissioner Palmer reported the Courthouse will be lit up in green November 7, 2022-November 13, 2022 to promote "Operation Green Light for Veterans" and thanked Kevin Cavanaugh for making it happen.

Rhonda Beck stated the annual Veterans Day Ceremony and luminaries lighting around the Courthouse will be held November 10, 2022 at dusk on the Courthouse grounds. Anyone wishing to add an area Veteran to a luminary, please contact Rhonda Beck using the contact information on the Wa-Pe-Ke-Way website.

IN THE MATTER OF ARPA PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Nancy Marsh presented the following recommendations from the ARPA Funding Committee for competitive grants for not-for-profit ARPA funds recipients and requested approval. The total recommendation for competitive grants is \$548,395.39. Nancy Marsh advised the Hendricks County Community Foundation handled the application process and then submitted their recommendations to the County's ARPA Funding Committee for

consideration. Nancy Marsh stated if these recommendations are approved by the Commissioners, they will go to the Council for their approval to appropriate the funds at their November 1, 2022 meeting.

NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
Bear Hugs Giving Foundation	\$4,800.00
Brownsburg Older Adult Alliance	\$2,400.00
Central Indiana Land Trust, Inc. (CILTI)	\$12,000.00
Child Care Answers	\$37,100.00
Crossroads of America Council, BSA	\$10,000.00
Cummins Behavioral Health Systems, Inc.	\$30,000.00
Damar Services	\$19,872.00
Greater Indy Habitat for Humanity	\$100,000.00
Hendricks Civic Theatre, Inc.	\$10,000.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation - Avon	\$8,937.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation – Brownsburg	\$7,068.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation – Danville	\$2,075.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation – Mill Creek	\$1,228.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation – Northwest Hendricks	\$1,302.00
Hendricks County Education Foundation – Plainfield	\$4,390.00
Hendricks Live! – Paintings	\$14,000.00
Indianapolis Children’s Choir	\$12,000.00
Jameson, Inc.	\$14,200.00
Leadership Hendricks County	\$25,200.00
Little Red Door Cancer Agency	\$24,500.00
Meals on Wheels of Hendricks County	\$10,000.00
Misty Eyes	\$20,000.00
Plainfield Youth Assistance Program	\$50,000.00
Rock Steady Boxing Brownsburg dba Fight Back Fitness	\$21,700.00
Servants at Work, Inc. (SAWs)	\$22,300.00
Stilesville Volunteer Fire & Rescue, Inc.	\$20,000.00
The Biz Theatrical Productions	\$13,923.39
The Children’s Ballet	\$5,000.00
The Miles We Walk	\$25,000.00
The Parks Foundation of Hendricks County, Inc.	\$19,400.00

Commissioner Dawes stated all funds must be used in Hendricks County for Hendricks County services or programs that benefit the citizens of Hendricks County, even if the overriding organization is not based out of Hendricks County. Commissioner Dawes advised any possible conflicts of interest were vetted really well too.

Commissioner Dawes advised that in addition to the recommendations listed above, the Committee also recommends funding for the following:

ORGANIZATION/PROJECT	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
Medical Reserve Corps.	\$57,600.00
Hendricks County Ronald Reagan Parkway - Drainage	\$3,000,000.00
Hendricks County Regional Sewer District	\$3,000,000.00

Commissioner Dawes reported the recommendations for the Parkway and the Regional Sewer District came about because the County received notice of an unexpected opportunity to possibly receive a \$20,000,000.00 grant to extend the Ronald Reagan Parkway from 56th Street to County Road 750, but the County has to match this grant amount. Commissioner Dawes advised it was discussed with the Council and they are willing to contribute but they requested the drainage portion come from ARPA funds.

Commissioner Palmer advised she had questions about this because some of the organizations are not located in Hendricks County and thanked Commissioner Dawes for the clarification and assurance.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve all the requests as recommended, including the three additional requests presented by Commissioner Dawes. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT GRANT LETTER OF SUPPORT

Dawn Mason presented a 2022 FEMA BRIC Grant Program Letter of Support and requested approval.

Commissioner Dawes 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 NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR 2023 HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
PRODUCTS & SUPPLIES**

John Ayers presented a Notice to Bidders for 2023 Highway Department Products and Supplies and recommended approval. Bids shall be due by 9:00 AM on November 22, 2022.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Notice as recommended and authorized the President to sign. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSALS FOR PIPE REHABILITATION

John Ayers presented a revised National Gunitite Proposal for \$50,875.00 (\$6,075.00 less than the original) for MA-016, a National Gunitite Proposal for \$23,615.00 for 892 S. County Road 1050 E., and a National Gunitite Proposal for \$34,250.00 for 227 N. Raceway Road twin pipes to rehabilitate the pipes and recommended approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve all three Proposals as recommended. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO DISTRIBUTION REALTY GROUP
PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

John Ayers presented a Reinstatement and Second Amendment to Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement with Distribution Realty Group (DRG) for the parcels along the Ronald Reagan Parkway to extend the inspection period through the end of the day on July 18, 2023 and recommended approval. John Ayers stated all other terms of the original Agreement remain the same.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, John Ayers, and Curran Darling (DRG representative) regarding the matter and the issue DRG is encountering with their construction loan bring on hold.

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

IN THE MATTER OF GAS SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR NEW JAIL & SHERIFF'S DEPT.

Kevin Cavanaugh presented a Gas Service Agreement and Acknowledgement of Appointment of an Agent Agreement with CenterPoint Energy to provide natural gas service to the new Jail and Sheriff's Department and requested approval. Kevin Cavanaugh advised he will be bringing other agreements for the service to the maintenance garage in the future.

Greg Steuerwald advised there needs to be a provision in the agreement with the agent chosen that the agent will cover the County for any liability and fees that may be incurred as this Acknowledgement Agreement excludes CenterPoint from being responsible.

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

IN THE MATTER OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR NEW PROBATION OFFICE

Kevin Cavanaugh presented a Notice to Bidders for the Probation Office Relocation and recommended approval. Bids shall be due by 9:00 AM on December 13, 2022.

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

IN THE MATTER OF BOND COUNSEL LETTER OF ENGAGEMENT

Commissioner Palmer presented a Letter of Engagement from Barnes & Thornburg to serve as bond counsel in connection with the proposed issuance of bonds to finance certain projects to support an economic development project by Strategic Capital Partners, or a related party, together with the creation of a related new TIF allocation area.

Greg Steuerwald advised this is a standard Letter of Engagement and stated Barnes & Thornburg will advocate for the best interest of the County and not any other party of the transaction.

Commissioner Dawes 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 COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Steve Kershaw, Stilesville Volunteer Fire Department Chief, expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners and the Community Foundation for the ARPA funds. Steve Kershaw stated he wanted to publicly thank Dawn Mason for all the support she has provided to the local fire departments by supplying them with equipment and supplies through various grants. Steve Kershaw advised Dawn Mason has been a major asset to them.

Khepri Hazel, Jameson Camp Development Director, thanked the Commissioners for the ARPA funds and stated the funds would be used for Hendricks County students only. Khepri Hazel advised Jameson Camp is a 132-acre camp in Marion County, right on the border of Hendricks County.

Commissioner Dawes stated if you have never been to Jameson Camp, you need to go.

Tim Dombrosky introduced his new Senior Planner, Brian Hurskainen. The Commissioners welcomed him.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Sheriff Brett Clark reported he and Greg Steuerwald participated in a statewide mental health summit last week and publicly thanked Greg Steuerwald for all he's done to help with mental health and criminal justice

Greg Steuerwald stated the Sheriff's Association is one of the greatest partners to work with and advised they are all truly going to miss Sheriff Clark.

IN THE MATTER OF INDOT LPA COORDINATOR CONTRACT

John Ayers presented an INDOT LPA Coordinator Contract for the Ronald Reagan Parkway extension to County Road 750 and recommended approval. John Ayers advised the formal document would be sent electronically to Commissioner Palmer to execute. The Council was very supportive of coming up with the funding needed for this opportunity at their October 18, 2022 meeting.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Contract and for Commissioner Palmer to sign it electronically as recommended. Commissioner Dawes seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW JAIL AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Kevin Cavanaugh reported the ribbon cutting/open house for the new Jail and Sheriff's Department will be on November 17, 2022 at 1:00 PM with the appropriate officials and separate general tours will begin at 2:00 PM.

IN THE MATTER OF WORK RELEASE MODULAR EXPANSION

Kevin Cavanaugh reported he is still working on the BOT paperwork for the Work Release modular expansion but would like to go ahead and form a BOT Committee, and requested a commissioner be part of the Committee with himself and Bridgette Collins-George.

Commissioner Dawes volunteered to serve on the Committee. Commissioner Palmer thanked Commissioner Dawes for his willingness to serve.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REMNANT PROPERTY

Kevin Cavanaugh reported the developer interested in the remnant property adjacent to the current Highway Department has provided a preliminary plan for the Commissioners' consideration. Kevin Cavanaugh advised the plan the developer provided requires use of part of the actual Highway Department property in use today and was not what was originally discussed.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, Kevin Cavanaugh, and John Ayers regarding the matter. John Ayers recommended against selling it as it would interrupt the current operations and would make the parcel less saleable with it gone. Commissioner Dawes stated Hendricks Regional Health is interested in buying the property and thinks this needs to be discussed with them along with notifying them of the adjoining parcel owned by the Town of Danville.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to not entertain selling any of the property to the developer.

IN THE MATTER OF MEMORIALS

Kevin Cavanaugh reported he received pricing from two local vendors for the memorials. Kevin Cavanaugh the pricing from Hunt Memorials is \$1,244.00 each and the pricing from Carlisle Branson is \$1,990.00 each and recommended proceeding with Hunt Memorials.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to proceed with Hunt Memorials as recommended.

IN THE MATTER OF EAST CAMPUS BUILDING

Commissioner Dawes reminded Kevin Cavanaugh to keep working on getting the East Campus Building down.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Dawes reported Dr. DeCoster's last session of the Management in Action Program is October 31, 2022, stated he hoped it was worthwhile, and thanked the Commissioners for agreeing to it.

Commissioner Palmer inquired if attendance decreased as the program went along. Mila Shaffer advised attendance did decrease as the program went on.

Commissioner Palmer stated she appreciates the Recognition Committee and feels it is a highlight for the Commissioners to recognize deserving people. Commissioner Palmer requested any nominations be sent their way.

Commissioner Palmer reminded everyone to go and vote.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

CHECKS RECEIVED

1. \$351.00	Leadership Hendricks County	Lease of Office Space
2. \$1,465.76	Travelers	Claim No. 028ADA2H9555A

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

1. Receipt was acknowledged for the Engineering Department Report of October 25, 2022 from John Ayers.
2. Receipt was acknowledged for the Facilities Department Report of October 25, 2022 from Kevin Cavanaugh.
3. Receipt was acknowledged for the Executive Director's Report of October 25, 2022 from Todd McCormack.
4. Receipt was acknowledged for the I.T. Department Report of October 25, 2022 from Doug Morris.
5. Receipt was acknowledged for the HR Report of October 8, 2022-October 22, 2022 from Erin Hughes.
6. Receipt was acknowledged for the Highway Department Report of September 26, 2022-September 30, 2022, October 3, 2022-October 7, 2022, and October 10, 2022-October 14, 2022 from Curt Higginbotham.
7. Receipt was acknowledged for the Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending September 30, 2022 from Dawn Mayhood.
8. Receipt was acknowledged for the Parks & Recreation Report of October 21, 2022 from Ryan Lemley.

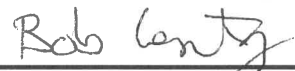
CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

1. September 2022 Monthly Progress Report from Garmong Construction Services for the new Jail.
2. Notice of Depth of Cover Walking Survey from Marathon Pipe Line.
3. Thank you and update letter from B&O Trail Association.
4. Notice to Terminate Contract from Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis representing Distribution Realty Group.
5. Notice of Tort Claim from Christie Farrell Lee & Bell representing Matthew Oslos.
6. Letter and book, *Carbon Neutral Indiana*, from Daniel Poynter.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Dawes moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 10:17 AM on Tuesday, October 25, 2022. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.


Phyllis A. Palmer, President


Bob Gentry, Vice President


Dennis W. Dawes, Member