



HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE MAY 9, 2023 MEETING

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 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
Greg Steuerwald	County Attorney
R. Todd McCormack	Executive Director
Mila M. Shaffer	Administration and Public Affairs
Nancy Marsh	Auditor
Jack Sadler	Sheriff
Loren Delp	Prosecutor
Tiffany Dalton	Chief Deputy Surveyor
John Ayers	Engineer
Doug Morris	I.T. Director
Dawn Mason	EMA Director
Erin Hughes	Human Resources Administrator
Paul Weddle	Facilities Assistant Manager
Curt Higginbotham	Highway Department Superintendent
Mark Chmielewski	Government Center Security Deputy
John Gramling	Application Support Specialist
Tim Dombrosky	Planning Director
Ryan Lemley	Parks & Recreation Superintendent
Nicole Lawson	Assessor (Attended Remotely)
Dan Chubb	Chief Deputy Coroner (Attended Remotely)
Catherine Haines	Court Administrator (Attended Remotely)
Kevin Cavanaugh	Facilities Manager (Attended Remotely)
Kim Galloway	Assistant Engineer (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 9:03 AM with a quorum of all three (3) Commissioners present and led the Pledge to the Flag in unison. Commissioner Dawes gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the April 25, 2023 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 Check Number 110572, Direct Deposit Check Numbers 233937-234472, and Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning April 27, 2023 and ending May 10, 2023 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 PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE CREDIT CARD LIMIT INCREASE

Loren Delp requested the credit limit for his credit card be increased from \$5,000.00 to \$15,000.00 to allow his office to purchase items needed and attend conferences/trainings without any issues. Loren Delp stated this has only become an issue since the recent change to the cards where each card has a limit instead of the office having a pool limit that each card draws from. Loren Delp advised he would prefer that the cards go back to the way they were with an office limit of \$15,000.00, but if that is not possible, he would like his card limit increased to \$15,000.00.

Nancy Marsh reported the credit card issuer has stated the card security chips are the reason each card has a limit instead of an office limit and stated she would prefer it to go back how it was as well.

Commissioner Dawes moved to approve the increase of the one card to \$15,000.00 as requested unless the Auditor is able to find a way to go back to the per office amount. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION NO. 2023-13 CERTOR SPORTS DBA SCHUTT SPORTS RELOCATION INCENTIVE

Greg Steuerwald presented Resolution No. 2023-13 Certor Sports dba Schutt Sports Relocation Incentive and recommended approval. Greg Steuerwald advised the Resolution authorizes payment of the \$100,000.00 incentive from Food and Beverage.

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

IN THE MATTER OF ALL TERRAIN LAWN CARE PROPOSAL FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Paul Weddle presented the All Terrain Lawn Care Proposal for \$19,575.31 for the new Jail and Sheriff's Department and requested approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF BRIDGE NO. 290 SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR CSX FEES

John Ayers presented the Bridge No. 290 Supplemental Agreement for \$5,000.00 for additional CSX fees and recommended approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 2022 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL REPORT

John Ayers presented the Highway Department's 2022 Annual Operation Report for Local Roads and Streets and Bridges required by INDOT and recommended approval.

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

IN THE MATTER OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF AVON FOR BRIDGE NO. 251

John Ayers presented the Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Avon for Bridge No. 251 on Dan Jones Road and recommended approval. John Ayers advised the Town will be handling and funding the project with the

County having the opportunity to review and submit written comments regarding the plans, designs, and specifications and the Town shall receive County approval of any changes affecting the Bridge prior to their implementation.

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

IN THE MATTER OF COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

Barbara Kincaid, 7134 W. County Road 250 S. in Danville, came to follow up on the request she made at the November 9, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting to have her road repaired and presented a report with photos.

The Commissioners and John Ayers apologized for not following up with her. John Ayers reported all County roads are driven each year by County employees and assigned a PASER rating of 0-10; the lower the rating, the higher the priority on the list to be repaired. John Ayers advised the section of road Barbara Kincaid is referring to was rated a 5 in 2022 and in 2023. John Ayers stated prioritizing road repairs by PASER rating is an objective method and advised Barbara Kincaid's road rated better than a lot of roads in the County.

There was discussion amongst the Commissioners, John Ayers, Curt Higginbotham, and Barbara Kincaid regarding the matter.

Jared McKee, Town of Plainfield's Executive Director of Public Safety, reported the Town's Fire Department is celebrating 100 years of service as an organized fire department and thanked the County for their support along the way and in consolidating dispatch.

Greg Steuerwald advised Hendricks County was one of the first counties in the state to consolidate their dispatch.

IN THE MATTER OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Nancy Marsh reported the 2021 audit exit interview was completed successfully and advised the State Board of Accounts (SBOA) relieved KSM of their services and stated SBOA would be taking back over.

Commissioner Palmer reported she saw the new legislation passed for some short-term property tax relief and inquired if people would have to reapply to receive the relief. Greg Steuerwald advised he did not believe they would have to reapply. Nancy Marsh advised the relief is for two years and is only for the 1% cap.

IN THE MATTER OF RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY EXTENSION

John Ayers reported the Public Information Meeting for the Ronald Reagan Parkway extension is scheduled for 6:00 PM on May 10, 2023 at Brownsburg Town Hall.

IN THE MATTER OF NETWORK DESIGN

Doug Morris presented two options for the County's network design; fiber and SD-WAN. Doug Morris reported he discussed it with the Council at their last meeting and advised the Council thinks SD-WAN is the better option as it gives more flexibility to move buildings and advised he thinks it is the better option too. Doug Morris inquired how the Commissioners would like him to proceed.

It was the consensus of the Commissioners to move proceed with the SD-WAN option for the network design.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Dawes extended an invitation to anyone from the public to come to a Commissioners' Meeting with their concerns and stated the Commissioners have to take it but may not always respond the way they would like, but are always welcome to come or to call them. Commissioner Dawes advised they need to understand the government is a service organization and the Commissioners try to do the best they can and don't always do things the way people think they should, but they try their best and have really good staff.

Barbara Kincaid invited the Commissioners to come out to look at her road themselves.

Greg Steuerwald reported that 2-3 years ago the Sheriff's Association asked legislators to develop a process to remove the mentally ill from jails and they tackled it last year. Greg Steuerwald advised they began working with numerous associations to get the bill passed to enhance the emergency detention to allow officers to take the mentally ill directly to a facility and a process of where the Sheriff can request the court do an assessment and the Judge would have discretion to remove them from jail as a condition of their release or take them directly to the DOC for treatment if they have a violent offense. Greg Steuerwald stated they got the bill passed in its final form this year.

Commissioner Palmer stated the County has provided a lot of good leadership and that more and more it's being seen that there is a need for this and thanked Greg Steuerwald and the Sheriff's Association.

Commissioner Palmer reported Nancy Marsh reminds us that tomorrow, May 10, 2023 is the deadline to pay your property taxes and advised the Treasurer's Office will be open until 6:00 PM that day to try and accommodate the taxpayers.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED


1. Receipt was acknowledged for the Engineering Department Report of May 9, 2023 from John Ayers.
2. Receipt was acknowledged for the Facilities Department Report of May 9, 2023 from Kevin Cavanaugh.
3. Receipt was acknowledged for the Executive Director's Report of May 9, 2023 from Todd McCormack.
4. Receipt was acknowledged for the I.T. Department Report of May 9, 2023 from Doug Morris.
5. Receipt was acknowledged for the HR Report of April 22, 2023-May 5, 2023 from Erin Hughes.
6. Receipt was acknowledged for the Highway Department Report of April 17, 2023-April 21, 2023 and April 24, 2023-April 28, 2023 from Curt Higginbotham.
7. Receipt was acknowledged for the EMA Report of April 23, 2023-May 6, 2023 from Dawn Mason.
8. Receipt was acknowledged for the Parks & Recreation Report of May 5, 2023 from Ryan Lemley.


CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

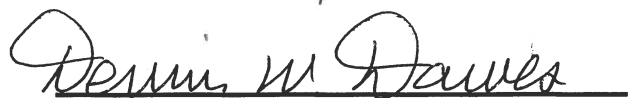
1. Notice of Tort Claim from Keller & Keller representing Rick R. Finley.
2. Notice of Tort Claim from Ken Nunn Law Office representing Hannah M. Hoskins.
3. Notice of Public Hearing by the Avon Plan Commission for DPR-23-09 from American Structurepoint.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gentry moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 10:21 AM on Tuesday, May 9, 2023. 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