

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2023

[Play 819] Prayer

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Darlene Likens, Olivia Pratt and John Richwine.

Also Present: County Administrator Tom Ecker, County Attorney Jeff Graham and Deputy Auditor Nicki Young

[Play 820] Approval of Minutes:

Motion: to approve May 16, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed, unanimously.

[Play 821] Approval of Claims:

Motion: to approve all claims as presented by the Auditor's office and JobSource claims.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 822] President Richwine indicates information for reappointment of members of Cemetery Commission not yet complete, but should be complete and ready for action of the Board of Commissioners at their next meeting.

[Play 823] Stephenie Mellinger, Director of Health Department, submits a proposed resolution to the Commissioners accepting State Public Health Funding.

[Play 824] Ken de la Bastide, Herald Bulletin, poses questions.

Motion: to adopt Resolution 2023-BC-R-12, by title only, a Resolution of the Madison County Commissioners Accepting State Public Health Funding.

Moved: Darlene Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 826] Jeff Graham, County Attorney, presents to the Board for approval a proposed resolution so that certain real estate located at 1423 Fulton Street, Anderson, Indiana, parcel number 48-11-14-203-200.000-003 may be offered for sale to adjoining landowners.

Motion: to adopt Resolution 2023-BC-R-13, by title only, a Resolution of the Madison County Board of Commissioners Directing the County Administrator to Offer Certain County owned Real Estate to Abutting Landowners.

Moved: President Richwine
Seconded: Darlene Likens
Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 827] County Attorney Graham reports that the City of Anderson has filed Petition to Have Property Removed from Tax Roll and to Have Taxes Canceled upon real estate commonly known as 1017 Chestnut Street, Anderson, Madison County, Indiana, Parcel Number 48-12-18-201-075.000-003.

Motion: to approve the Petition and cancel the real estate taxes as requested.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 828] President Richwine presents to the Board for approval a Resolution formalizing the interlocal sale to the City of Elwood from the County of a 2008 Ford F-250 super duty pick up truck which was earlier declared by the county to be excess property.

Motion: to approve Resolution 2023-BC-R-14, by title only, a Resolution selling a 2008 Ford F-250 super duty pick up truck to the City of Elwood.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 829] County Attorney Graham indicates there are some clouds as to title of two (2) properties near Ingalls, one (1) owned by the State of Indiana and one (1) owned by Madison County. The State has suggested that the State quitclaim any interest it may have in the property owned by the County to Madison County, and, in return, Madison County would quitclaim to the State any interest that the County may have in the property owned by the State to clear those clouds. To that effect, a proposed Quitclaim Deed from Madison County to the State of Indiana was presented to the Board for approval, as to Tax ID #48-15-36-300-479.000-015, being the West Half of Lot 204 in Ingalls Land Company's First Addition to the Town of Ingalls.

Motion: to accept and approve execution of the Quitclaim Deed as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 830] Rick Gardner, County Auditor, presents for approval a Tax Sale Services Support Addendum to the existing SRI Services Master Agreement with the County.

Motion: to accept Tax Sale Services Support Addendum with SRI, Incorporated, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 831] Jessica Bastin, County Engineer, presents to the Commissioners an update with regard to the drafting of a County Thoroughfare Plan. Additionally, she provides the Commissioners with a draft of a Complete Streets Policy for their initial review and consideration as a part of the County Thoroughfare Plan.

[Play 832] Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for approval a Right of Way Agreement with United Consulting concerning rehabilitation of Bridge 107, which is on Rangeline Road over White River.

[Play 833] Ken de la Bastide, Herald Bulletin, poses questions.

Motion: to approve the Right of Way Agreement with United Consulting concerning rehabilitation of Bridge 107 as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 834] Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for their approval a letter of support of Anderson University with regards to the University's award of grant funding through the Lilly Endowment College and Community Collaboration Initiative.

Motion: to approve Letter of Support to be sent to Anderson University concerning it's award of grant funding through the Lilly Endowment College and Community Collaboration Initiative as presented.

Moved: Darlene Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 835] Scott Harless, Highway Superintendent, makes presentation to the Commissioners concerning his desire to exchange County owned property in Moonsville for property located directly south of the current Highway Department facilities property. This would enable the County to build a new mechanics' building and fuel island across 8th Street from the existing Highway Department facilities without having to spend funds to acquire additional real estate. He submits for approval of the Commissioners a Memorandum of Understanding between the County and the owner of the property located to the south of the existing Highway Department facilities to begin this process.

Motion: to approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 836] Larry Strange, Planning Director, indicates that there are three (3) requests for vacation of public ways before the Board. The first request of Rick Andes, Petition 23BA001, is being withdrawn as there was an error in the legal description in the notice of publication. The error will be corrected and that petition will be presented to the Commissioners at a later meeting once proper notice can be given. The other two (2) petitions for vacation of rights-of-way concerning property located on San Marco Drive, namely the petition of Ming Zheng requesting vacation of a public right-of-way between parcel numbers 48-16-02-100-016.000-014 and 48-16-02-100-017.000-014 and the petition of Christopher Raines requesting vacation of a public right-of-way between parcel numbers 48-16-02-800-002.000-014 and 48-16-02-100-026.000-014. Director Strange presents two (2) proposed ordinances to the Commissioners for their approval.

Motion: to introduce Ordinance 2023-BC-O-11 and Ordinance 2023-BC-O-12, ordinances approving vacation of certain unimproved public ways, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

Meeting was open to the public for comment on these two (2) proposed Ordinances. No member of the public appeared to make comment.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance 2023-BC-O-11 and Ordinance 2023-BC-O-12, Ordinances approving vacation of certain rights-of-ways, as presented.

Moved: Darlene Likens

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: to suspend rules to adopt Ordinance 2023-BC-O-11 and Ordinance 2023-BC-O-12, by unanimous consent, upon first reading.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: to adopt, effective immediately, Ordinance 2023-BC-O-11 and Ordinance 2023-BC-O-12, Ordinances Vacating Certain Rights-of-Ways, by title only.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 837] Andy Kidder, Properties Director, then presents his recommendations as to the roofing bids received at the prior meeting of the Commissioners. Director Kidder recommends the bid of PPS Contracting in the sum of \$297,500.00 for roofing of the main truck garage at the Highway Department facilities. Further, Director Kidder recommends the bid of PPS Contracting in the sum of \$225,600.00 for roofing the main building at the Youth Center.

Motion: Pursuant to recommendation of the Properties Director, motion to award both bids for roofing to PPS Contracting, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 838] Motion: to adjourn

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously.

Next Regular Commissioner's Meeting will be June 20, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.