

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

October 3, 2023

[Play 936] *Prayer*

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Darlene Likens and Olivia Pratt. John Richwine was absent.

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

[Play 937] *Approval of Minutes:*

Motion: to approve September 19, 2023, regular meeting minutes as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Vice President Likens

Motion Passed.

[Play 938] *Approval of Claims:*

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

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Vice President Likens

Motion Passed.

[Play 939] Jeff Graham, County Attorney, presented Real Estate Sale Agreement with Meijer Stores Limited Partnership to the Commissioners for their approval.

Motion: to approve Real Estate Sale Agreement with Meijer Stores Limited Partnership concerning certain real property in Madison County, Indiana, commonly known as 2801 Broadway Street, Anderson, Indiana, Parcel Nos. 48-08-36-100-025.000-019 and 48-08-36-100-015.000-019.

Moved: Vice President Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed.

[Play 940] County Attorney Graham presented a proposed Joint Resolution with the Pendleton Town Council providing for an intergovernmental agreement for building inspection services.

Motion: to approve, by title only, Resolution 2023-BC-R-19, a Joint Resolution of the Pendleton Town Council and the Madison County Board of Commissioners Providing for an Intergovernmental Agreement for Building Inspection Services.

Moved: Vice President Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed.

[Play 941] Stephenie Mellinger, Health Department Director, appeared seeking approval of a Resolution honoring Ella B. Kehrer as discussed at the Commissioners' prior meeting.

Motion: to approve Resolution 2023-BC-R-20, by title only, a Resolution Honoring the Legacy of Ella B. Kehrer.

Moved: Vice President Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed.

[Play 942] Jessica Bastin, County Engineer, requested the Commissioners approve a proposed Ordinance forming a Parks Board as discussed at the Commissioners' prior meeting. This Ordinance is presented for first reading and second reading shall occur at Commissioners' next meeting.

[Play 944] Ken de la Bastide, Anderson Herald Bulletin, poses questions.

Motion: to accept at first reading Ordinance No. 2023-BC-O-19, an Ordinance of the Madison County Board of Commissioners Establishing a Department of Parks and Recreation and Repealing of All Ordinances in Conflict Therewith.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Vice President Likens

Motion Passed.

[Play 945] County Attorney Graham spoke to the Board of Commissioners concerning the Application for Vacating Right-of-Way before the Board of Approval. Co-Petitioner, Bruce Wihebrink, provided the Commissioners information about their request for vacation of two unimproved (2) alley ways adjacent to their property in Alexandria, Indiana. Stacey Hinton, Office Coordinator and Secretary of the Planning Commission provided additional information concerning the pending request of Mr. and Mrs. Wihebrink. Meeting opened for public comment—none made.

Motion: to approve the vacation of two (2) unimproved alley ways as requested by Bruce Wihebrink and Kimberly Wihebrink as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Vice President Likens

Motion Passed.

[Play 946] County Attorney Graham asked the Commissioners to approve an engagement letter with Kevin D. Koons of Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP for legal services to be rendered in review and providing a legal opinion as to the County's draft of a proposed Solar Ordinance.

[Play 947] Ken de la Bastide, Anderson Herald Bulletin, poses questions.

Motion: to approve the engagement letter of Kevin D. Koons, Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP, for legal services regarding a proposed Solar Ordinance.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Vice President Likens

Motion Passed.

[Play 948] **Motion:** to adjourn

Moved: Vice President Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed.

Next Regular Commissioner's Meeting will be October 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.