

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2024

[Play 715] *Prayer*

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Darlene Likens, Olivia Pratt and John Richwine.

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

[Play 716] *Approval of Minutes:*

Motion: to approve March 5, 2024, regular meeting minutes as presented.

Moved: Darlene Likens

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 717] *Approval of Claims:*

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

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 718] Jeff Graham, County Attorney, introduces Chad Pigg, agent for Town of Summitville, who presents a proposed Resolution transferring tax sale certificates to the Town of Summitville to the Commissioners for their consideration.

Motion: to approve Resolution 2024-BC-R-08, a Resolution Transferring Tax Sale Certificates for Parcel Numbers 48-01-20-300-068.000-037, 48-01-20-300-069.000-037, 48-01-20-300-070.000.037, 48-01-20-300-071.000-037 and 48-01-20-300-072.000-037 to the Town of Summitville, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 719] Jeff Graham, County Attorney, introduces Kevin Sulc, Chief Operating Officer of Anderson Housing Authority, who presents a proposed Resolution transferring tax sale certificates to the Anderson Housing Authority to the Commissioners for their consideration. Mr. Sulc also presents a proposed Resolution transferring tax sale certificates to the Anderson Community Development Corporation to the Commissioners for their consideration, withdrawing from said request Parcel Number 48-11-13-304-224.000-003.

Motion: to adopt Resolution 2024-BC-R-09, a Resolution Transferring Tax Sale Certificates for Parcel Numbers 48-11-14-303-007.000-003, 48-11-14-303-009.000-003, 48-11-14-303-011.000.003, 48-11-14-303-147.000-003, 48-11-14-303-153.000-003, 48-11-14-104-116.000-003, 48-11-13-202-033.000-003, 48-11-14-204-158.000-003, 48-11-14-204-122.000-003 and 48-12-18-103-018.000-003 to the City of Anderson Housing Authority, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: to adopt Resolution 2024-BC-R-10, a Resolution Transferring Tax Sale Certificates for Parcel Numbers 48-11-13-401-153.000-003, 48-11-13-401-272.000-003, 48-11-13-401-174.000.003, 48-11-13-301-065.000-003, 48-11-13-301-068.000-003 and 48-11-13-301-069.000-003 to the City of Anderson Community Development Corporation, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 721] County Attorney Graham then presents a proposed Resolution authorizing action to be brought against the former Corner and his surety to the Commissioners to recoup costs incurred as a result of actions or omissions of former Coroner. County Attorney Graham also indicates that the Coroner's settlement agreement requires ratification by the Board of Commissioners.

Motion: to ratify Coroner's settlement agreement, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: to approve Resolution 2024-BC-R-11, a Resolution Authorizing Action Against Former Corner and His Surety, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 722] James Cleaver, Public Radio Administrator, and Jenny Chambers, Director of Central Dispatch, present a proposed contract with AT&T to the Commissioners for approval.

Motion: to approve the AT&T Hosted E 9-1-1 Services contract, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 723] Larry Strange, Planning Director, indicates pursuant to Petition 24-TZ-002, as approved by the Planning Commission, the Commissioners are requested to approve a proposed Ordinance amending the County Land Use and Development Code concerning the required buffer between solar facilities and water sources.

Motion: to approve Ordinance 2024-BC-O-05, an Ordinance Amending Text of the Madison County Land Use and Development Code as to buffer requirements between solar facility and water sources, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 724] Planning Director Strange then indicates pursuant to Petition 24-TA-003, as approved by the Planning Commission, the Commissioners are requested to approve a proposed Ordinance to place a moratorium on permit applications under Madison County Windfarm Ordinance.

Motion: to direct County Attorney Graham to draft Ordinance 2024-BC-O-06, an Ordinance placing a moratorium on permit applications under the Madison County Windfarm Ordinance beginning this date and continuing until rescinded or modified.

Moved: President Richwine
Seconded: Darlene Likens
Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 725] Commissioner Pratt indicates that a total solar eclipse is scheduled to occur on April 8, 2024. The Courts of Madison County, Indiana, and other offices who directly work to the Court, such as the Prosecutor's office, Probation Department, etc. have already decided to close their offices on April 8, 2024. So a to reduce confusion and any potential security risks,

Motion: to close all County offices on April 8, 2024.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 726] President Richwine indicates it has been brought to his attention this week that rumors are being spread regarding the County health insurance program. He wishes to dispel those rumors indicating the County's health insurance and claims are in good standing and that due to savings in health care costs in 2023, approximately 1.5 million dollars had been returned to the insurance reserve fund and the 2024 plan had been made more friendly to employees, especially as to prescription drugs, while keeping the 2024 employee premiums the same. Human Resources Director, Beatrice Ramey, indicates that all projections indicate there will be no changes in rates in 2025.

[Play 727] **Motion:** to adjourn

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Darlene Likens

Motion Passed unanimously

Next Regular Commissioner's Meeting will be April 2, 2024, at 10:00 AM