

## Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2025

[Play 661] **Prayer**

### ***Pledge of Allegiance***

Present: Olivia Pratt, Rick Gardner & John Richwine

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

[Play 662] **Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion:** to approve January 7, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented.

**Moved:** Rick Gardner

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously.**

[Play 663] **Approval of Claims:**

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

**Moved:** Olivia Pratt

**Seconded:** Rick Gardner

**Motion Passed unanimously**

### **Appointments:**

**[Play 664] Motion:** to appoint Mark Gary and Lindsay Brown to the Planning Commission.

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 665] **Motion:** to appoint Darlene Likens to the Alcohol Beverage Commission

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 666] **Motion:** to appoint Jackie Clendenin, Michele Daniels and Mike Shively to PTABOA

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Rick Gardner

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 667] President Richwine indicates that the proposed Ordinance 2025-BC-O-01, for purpose of controlling unwanted and excessive noise in Madison County, Indiana, is before the Board for second reading and public hearing. President Richwine opens meeting for public comment on that proposed Ordinance.

[Play 668] Mackenzie Lee appears and makes comments

[Play 669] Jason Fullington appears and makes comments

[Play 670] Cheryl McKinney appears and makes comments

[Play 671] William Haines appears and makes comments

[Play 672] Mike Peters appears and makes comments  
[Play 673] Joe Rose appears and makes comments  
[Play 674] Lorene White appears and makes comments  
[Play 675] Doug Beltz, Madison County Sheriff's Department, appears and makes comments  
[Play 677] Cheryl McKinney appears and makes comments  
[Play 678] Lee Walls appears and makes comments  
[Play 679] Jason Fullington appears and makes comments  
[Play 680] Mackenzie Lee appears and makes comments

**Motion:** to close public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Rick Gardner

**Motion Passed unanimously**

**Motion:** to continue proposed Ordinance 2025-BC-O-01 for rewrites and other amendments.

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 681] Jessica Scholer, County Extension Agent, provides update of activities of the County Extension Office and provides Impact Report for 2024.

[Play 682] President Richwine indicates there is a proposed Ordinance concerning creation of a non-reverting Capital Asset and Improvement Fund.

**Motion:** to formally introduce Ordinance 2025-BC-O-02, by title only, an Ordinance Creating a Non-Reverting Capital Asset and Improvement Fund, amended at end of ordination paragraph 1(a) to add language after the word "deposited" the following wording "the investment income as directed by the Board of Finance policy" for first reading.

**Moved:** Rick Gardner

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

**Motion:** to suspend the rules so as to adopt Ordinance 2025-BC-O-02 at first reading by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners.

**Moved:** Rick Gardner

**Seconded:** President Richwine

**Motion Passed unanimously**

President Richwine opened meeting for public comment as to Ordinance 2025-BC-O-02. No one appeared to make comment.

**Motion:** to adopt at first reading and by title only, Ordinance 2025-BC-O-02, an Ordinance Creating a Non-Reverting Capital Asset and Improvement Fund (Fund 4976), as amended.

**Moved:** Rick Gardner

**Seconded:** President Richwine

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 683] Jessica Bastin, County Engineer, indicates that right of way acquisitions are required to be obtained to move forward with the Bridge 107 project. The first right of way is a temporary right of way granted from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources and previously approved by the

Commissioners. Engineer Bastin requests approval to move forward with obtaining permanent right of way acquisitions 2, 3, 4 and 5.

**Motion:** to authorize the County Engineer to proceed with acquiring permanent right of way acquisitions 2, 3, 4 and 5 required for the Bridge 107 project.

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 684] Clarence Walker, Highway Department, requests approval of a paving contract with E&B Paving in the amount of \$2,023,000.00, for paving of County Road 600 West between State Road 32 and State Road 128.

**Motion:** to approve the contract with E&B Paving for paving of County Road 600 West between State Road 32 and State Road 128, contingent upon approval by the County Attorney.

**Moved:** President Richwine

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

[Play 685] **Motion:** to adjourn

**Moved:** Rick Gardner

**Seconded:** Olivia Pratt

**Motion Passed unanimously**

**Next Regular Commissioner's Meeting will be February 3, 2025, at 10:00 AM**