

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2025

[Play 686] **Prayer**

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Olivia Pratt, Rick Gardner & John Richwine

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

[Play 687] **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion: to approve January 21, 2025, regular meeting minutes as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously.

[Play 688] **Approval of Claims:**

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

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 690] Jim Skeel, Executive Vice President and Diana Huddleston, Vice President of Community Partnerships for Aspire Indiana Health provide an annual report of activities of Aspire Indiana Health.

Motion: to accept annual report of Aspire Indiana Health, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 691] Julie Fulton, Director of Team Hope, Aspire Health Indiana, Jeremy Turner, Director of HIV, STI and Viral Hepatitis Division of the Indiana Department of Health, and Nicole Crowley, Infectious Disease Case Manager at Aspire Indiana Health, request the Commissioners to renew the syringe program.

Motion: directing the County Attorney to draft a Resolution renewing the syringe program and bring the proposed Resolution before the Commissioners at their next meeting.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed. Rick Gardner opposed.

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[Play 692] **Appointments:**

Motion: to re-appoint Kelly Salyer to the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 693] Jeff Graham, County Attorney, there is a request for a possible transfer of a Commissioner's Certificate for Parcel No. 48-12-18-302-069.000-003 to a 501(c)(3) organization.

Motion: directing the County Attorney to draft a Resolution authorizing transfer of a Commissioner's Certificate for Parcel No. 48-12-18-302-069.000-003 to a 501(c)(3) organization and present the proposed Resolution to the Commissioners at their next meeting.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 694] County Attorney Graham, presents a Confidential Settlement Agreement and General Release concerning a lawsuit filed against Madison County in federal court under case number 1:24-cv-00237-SEB-KMB to the Commissioners for their consideration.

Motion: to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and General Release, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 695] County Attorney Graham then presents to the Commissioners for their consideration a proposed Resolution Directing the County Administrator to offer for sale certain County owned real estate to abutting landowners.

Motion: to approve Resolution 2025-BC-R-01, a Resolution Directing the County Administrator to Offer for Sale Certain County Owned Real Estate, namely Parcel Number 48-11-14-304-194.000-003, located on Dewey Street, to Abutting Landowners, as presented.

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 696] President Richwine indicates there is a proposed Ordinance establishing a County Personnel Board before the Commissioners for their consideration.

Motion: to introduce Ordinance 2025-BC-O-03, an Ordinance Establishing a County Personnel Board.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 697] Jenny Chambers, Central Dispatch Director, requests the Commissioners to approve a renewal of the Aladtec subscription for a 3 year period.

Motion: to approve, the subscription renewal with Aladtec, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 698] President Richwine indicates there are before the Commissioners for their approval employment contracts for the Central Dispatch Director and Radio Administrator.

Motion: to accept the employment contracts with the Central Dispatch Director and Radio Administrator, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 699] County Administrator, Tom Ecker, on behalf of Lynn Edens, Director of Emergency Management, presents to the Commissioners for their approval an Indiana Homeland District Six Mutual Aid Agreement.

Motion: to approve the Indiana Homeland District Six Mutual Aid Agreement, as presented.

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 700] County Administrator, Tom Ecker, on behalf of Lynn Edens, Director of Emergency Management, then presents to the Commissioners for their approval a Memorandum of Agreement between the County and Anderson Repeater Club, Inc. and Madison County Amateur Radio Club of Central Indiana.

Motion: to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Madison County, Indiana and Anderson Repeater Club, Inc. and the Madison County Amateur Radio Club of Central Indiana, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 702] Jessica Bastin, County Engineer, presents to the Commissioners for their consideration a proposed Purchase Agreement between the County and Raymond J. Carter, for the County's purchase of approximately 24.78 acres, Parcel Number 48-11-10-700-001.000-003, commonly known as 3000 West 8th Street, for the sum of \$400,000.00.

Motion: to accept the Purchase Agreement between the County and Raymond J. Carter, for the County's purchase of approximately 24.78 acres, Parcel Number 48-11-10-700-001.000-003, commonly known as 3000 West 8th Street, for the sum of \$400,000.00, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 703] County Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for their consideration a Memorandum concerning the formation process of a Madison County Regional Utility District.

Motion: to approve submission of a petition to the Indiana Department of Environmental Management requesting formation of a Madison County Regional Utility District.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 704] County Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for their consideration a proposed Ordinance establishing a 30 mile per hour speed limit in Merry Hills Subdivision.

Motion: to introduce Ordinance 2025-BC-O-04, an Ordinance Establishing a 30 mile per hour Speed Limit in Merry Hills Subdivision, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: finding an emergency exists as to the establishment of a speed limit in Merry Hills Subdivision be made effective immediately and suspending the rules so as to adopt Ordinance 2025-BC-O-04 at first reading by unanimous vote of the Board of Commissioners.

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed unanimously

Motion: to adopt at first reading to be effective immediately due to the existing emergency situation, and by title only, Ordinance 2025-BC-O-04, an Ordinance Establishing a 30 mile per hour Speed Limit in Merry Hills Subdivision, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 705] County Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for their consideration an Agreement with Burgess & Niple concerning the Parks Board and White River Greenway.

Motion: to ratify and approve the agreement with Burgess & Niple concerning the Parks Board and White River Greenway.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 706] County Engineer Bastin then presents to the Commissioners for their consideration a proposed letter of support of AT&T expanding broadband services within the County.

Motion: to approve the letter of support of AT&T expanding broadband services within the County, as presented.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 707] Clarence Walker, Highway Department, requests approval of a consulting agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. for consulting services concerning paving of County Road 600 West between State Road 32 and State Road 128, in the amount of \$40,800.00.

Motion: to approve the consulting agreement with Lochmueller Group, Inc. for consulting services concerning paving of County Road 600 West between State Road 32 and State Road 128, in the amount of \$40,800.00, as presented.

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: President Richwine

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 708] Scott Harless, Highway Superintendent, requests the Commissioners to review compensatory time accrual with regard to his Department and the new Personnel Policy Handbook.

Motion: to continue this discussion to the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

Moved: President Richwine

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 709] Jeremy Burton of Comcast Government Affairs presents a proposed letter of support for Comcast's BEAD application to expand its broadband network within Madison County.

Motion: to approve the letter of support for Comcast's BEAD application to expand its broadband network within Madison County, as presented.

Moved: Olivia Pratt

Seconded: Rick Gardner

Motion Passed unanimously

[Play 710] **Motion:** to adjourn

Moved: Rick Gardner

Seconded: Olivia Pratt

Motion Passed unanimously

Next Regular Commissioner's Meeting will be February 18, 2025, at 10:00 AM