

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 5, 2023

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on June 5, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton County Courthouse, 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner Jordan Brewer called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

Jordan Brewer

Bert Weaver

ABSENT

Josh Uitts

Others in attendance were Rick Campbell, Shawn Mayfield, Rodney Wann, Brett Barton, Liz Stitzel, Renee Crick, Chris Overman, Steven Deckard, Carol Price, Rick Campbell, Britt Ostler, and others are shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brewer led the pledge of allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were received.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CROSSING SCHOOL

Marissa Mills gave an update on the Crossing School, stating students not only pursue their diplomas but also job skills by job shadowing and internships. All students are in job training programs. Currently 80 students are enrolled and 77 students are pre-enrolled for next year. Attendance rate is 90%. They have had over 350 graduates since the school opened. Two students gave their stories on how they became students at The Crossing and how it has helped them academically and behaviorally.

IN THE MATTER OF REPUBLIC SERVICES LANDFILL

Jenny Hall and Dan Vieto gave a Republic Services Landfill update. They will be seeding the landfill this week. They will cover the west, south, and east facing slope. They have added two additional laborers, two operators, and a tech. They have had a recent IDEM inspection with no violations.

Commissioner Weaver stated he had a couple tall grass complaints on the southside of 300 and north of their operation. Jenny will put it on her list to address the issue.

IN THE MATTER OF KOORSEN PROPOSAL

Shawna Huff and Kyle Dobson stated they are proposing to take over all the inspections for fire protection for all the county buildings and sent the commissioners their proposal. One of the main concerns was having so many different vendors doing different inspections.

Commissioner Brewer stated they would take their proposal under advisement, and he would need to look into what we are doing currently and compare it with their proposals.

IN THE MATTER OF EMS PROGRAM DIRECTOR POSITION

Steven Deckard reported that their additional application for the paramedic program has been approved. He stated they will need a full time position to maintain the paramedic program. This was an unexpected addition and he is requesting an additional position for a program director with a salary of \$65,000 per year. He can make it work for this year without any addition to the budget and transfer from the RN/paramedic line item to this new line item if approved. He would cut the RN/paramedic line out for next year.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the new position request, Commissioner Brewer seconded with the caveat that he work with Sesaly and HR on the job description. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CENTRAL DISPATCH EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Renee Crick recognized dispatchers Lora Wellman and Brandon Clark with certificates of commendation for their life saving efforts on calls they received.

IN THE MATTER OF MONON TRAIL

Chip Mann gave an update on connecting the Monon Trail stating Hamilton County has brought the Monon Trail up to the Boone County Line-to 47, although not yet paved. They are currently working with Boone County on figuring out which path to take. Different path ideas were presented to connect the trail to Kirklin and Michigantown. Commissioner Brewer stated The Town of Kirklin is very supportive of the idea and will need county support once they go to council and get a final plan and come back to the Board of Commissioners.

IN THE MATTER OF LUPAC # 05-23-371/ORDINANCE 2023-04/AREA PLAN UPDATE

Liz Stitzel reported she had a mowing complaint by the solar farm off of county road 50. She spoke with the manager of Hardy Hills. They are working to find a mowing contractor. Commissioners stated that Hardy Hills needs to take care of it.

Liz presented LUPAC #5-23-371 regarding rezoning and land use for Banderas Point. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the coordinating Ordinance 2023-04 Amending the Unified Development Ordinance. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Weaver stated he had a complaint about Camp Cullom Road where a house and barn have been torn down. Neighbors have witnessed groundhogs and rats in the area.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell reported they were patching and should start chip sealing this week. They will chip seal 25-30 miles of road.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Brewer stated they had 7 bidders for the 2023 Road Resurfacing project for Kelly Road from Maish Road to 421, and the lowest bidder was Central Paving with a bid of \$1,478,717.63. Commissioner Weaver motioned to accept and award the bid to Central Paving. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Brewer stated the county will be starting a new process expecting all contractors to be registered with the county and provide their certificate of liability, paperwork that they registered with the State and a bond amount. This will provide the county better protection. They received 3 bids for the electrical repair at the jail but Aaron Congleton did have his state paperwork. Skiles estimate is \$5,289 and Campbell's estimate is \$5,065 with half the money up front. Commissioner Weaver motioned to accept Campbell's estimate with the caveat he does progressive billing or bill when the project is completed. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve Maguire Iron Pay App #16 for \$108,428.50. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brewer presented the four Baker Tilly engagement letters for approval. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve letters of engagement. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Rodney Wann introduced Nash Smith as the Environmental Specialist, and the Food Inspector Mitch Houng. Rodney asked approval to increase Mitch's hours from 32/week to 35/week. Commissioner Brewer stated they would like to run it by HR.

Rodney presented a Resolution accepting state public health funding to consider for approval at a later date. Discussion took place regarding the funds. Commissioner Brewer asked that he put a plan in place and send it to them for review.

Tim Elston reported that on May 19th they finished the jail phone conversion.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Weaver reported that he had a complaint regarding 4257 E. 150 S. that needs attention from the Area Plan Department. He reported that he was at FEMA's close out meeting and FEMA reported they had 78 individuals register for relief from the tornado damage and only one was approved thus far in the amount of \$178. They had 25 ineligible, 8 incomplete applications. He is discouraged by these results.

Commissioner Brewer reported that the permanent chiller for the courthouse should be installed and working properly by the next week or two.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

- Friday claims dated May 19, 2023 in the amount of \$331,845.56
- Friday claims dated May 26, 2023 in the amount of \$24,955.02
- Friday claims dated June 2, 2023 in the amount of \$25,553.63
- Bi-weekly claims dated June 5, 2023 in the amount of \$833,496.95
- Court claims dated June 5, 2023 in the amount of \$49,134.52

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

- Payroll dated May 5, 2023 in the amount of \$498,264.30
- Payroll dated May 19, 2023 in the amount of \$481,466.63
- Election Payroll dated May 5, 2023 in the amount of \$13,669.13
- Board of Health Payroll dated May 19, 2023 in the amount of \$915.18

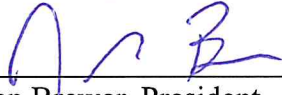
IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated May 15, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Brewer. Motion carried 2-0.

Next meeting will be held June 20, 2023.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Weaver motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Brewer at 10:23 a.m. Motion carried 2-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



 Jordan Brewer, President




 Josh Uttis



 Bert Weaver

ATTEST:



 Britt Ostler, Auditor

