

**MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

June 7, 2022

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on June 7, 2022 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  
Josh Uitts  
Bert Weaver

**ABSENT**

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Rick Campbell, Renee Crick, Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Brett Barton, Rodney Wann, Liz Stitzel, Britt Ostler and others 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**

Bob Lane spoke in regards to the speed limit on 39 to Kirlin Bridge. He stated westbound there is a 30 mph speed limit sign, eastbound there are no signs. He requested there be a speed limit sign placed. Commissioner Brewer stated that the first step they have to take would be a speed study. Unposted the speed limit is 55mph. Mr. Lane believed there was one there a long time ago. He also stated the bridge has a bad bump and he has called the highway department about it. Commissioner Brewer stated that every other year they have a bridge assessment completed, and they target the priorities of the major issues. He does not remember that issue being highlighted, but they can have the highway department take a look. Mr. Lane stated another issue are the potholes. Commissioner Brewer stated that the plan is they will look into seeing if there was a speed limit posted and if not they will engage to have a speed study.

**IN THE MATTER OF A VACATION OF ALLEY IN HILLISBURG-ORDINANCE 2022-05**

Phil Triplet representing Robert and Theresa Parret, presented a vacation of an alley in Hillisburg. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-05 vacating the alley in Hillisburg. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF VEREGY PRESENTATION**

Rick Anderson from Veregy would like to do a utility assessment and walk through on the county buildings at no cost to the county and the county has no obligation to act on the findings of the assessment. He will return with a report in approximately 6 weeks. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the utility assessment. Commissioner Weaver seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF HARDY HILLS SOLAR PROJECT UPDATE**

Luke Williams, site manager for the Hardy Hills Solar project, gave a brief update on the solar project. He stated the progress was slow because of rain delays, and they are a few weeks behind schedule. In the coming weeks there will be heavy equipment coming and going off of CR 50, and there will be road issues, but they will work with the county to get any issues that arise resolved. Commissioner Brewer asked if there was a designated truck route. Luke stated that there is and will get that information to the commissioners.

**IN THE MATTER OF RECORDERS BULK USER AGREEMENTS**

Beth Keeney presented five new Bulk User Agreements charging the new higher rate per image that needed the commissioners approval. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the Bulk User Agreements, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Rick Campbell reported that 200 S will be paved this year and that will smooth out the bump on the bridge previously mentioned by Bob Lane. Rick presented an USI Consultant Agreement for bridge #30 engineering assessment to apply for the federal aid for the commissioners to sign. The cost of the assessment is \$5,000. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the USI Consultant Agreement. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Rick presented a supplemental agreement from BF&S for the round-a-about on State Road 28 and 800 W.



Commissioner Brewer stated he would like to have further discussion on the matter and table until the next meeting..

Commissioner Brewer asked Rick if he had historical records of a speed limit sign on 200 South. Rick didn't think he had records of it but would check into it.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to move forward with the speed study on 200 South. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0

#### **IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN**

Liz Stitzel reported a tall grass issue on Hamilton Rd. on the east side where there is a single wide trailer. Commissioners agreed to have Liz send a citation to the owners, and then mow if it is not mowed in 10 days.

Liz reported another tall grass complaint over by castle's, zoned industrial. Commissioners agreed to have Liz send a citation to the owners and then mow after 10 days.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Jordan stated the lowest bidder for the 2022 Road Resurfacing Bid is Midwest Paving for \$1,829,642.78. The Community Crossing Grant is for \$1,000,000, and he has looked at Rick's budget and worked with Rick, and he has the ability to absorb the remaining \$829,642.78 within his budget. Commissioner Weaver motioned to award the Road Resurfacing bid to Midwest Paving for \$1,829,642.78. Commissioner Uitts seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the Maguire Iron Pay App #6. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Brewer stated that they had granted the easement for the sewer at the new police station off of SR 28 and presented the document to be signed. Commissioner Weaver motioned to have Commissioner Brewer sign the document. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

No new business to report

#### **IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

Chris Overman reported that the water softener at Parkview was over 20 years old and he received a quote for about \$3,000. He has the money in his budget to pay for it. Chris stated that the boiler was over 30 years old and he reached out to TL Myers and Jims but it's too big of a project for them. Irish Mechanical gave a quote for about \$70,000. Chris believed the boiler could last this year but it was time to start looking and maybe budgeting it for next year. Commissioner Brewer suggested Chris talk to Ameresco for a quote since we are utilizing Ameresco through Envoy to put the chillers in the Courthouse and boilers at the Jail. He will initiate the conversation with Ameresco and copy Chris on the email.

Steve Deckard reported that they would like to move forward with moving Ambulance 7 to Forest creating Ambulance 13 to best utilize our resources. Commissioner Uitts motioned to move Ambulance 7 to Forest creating Ambulance 13. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Steven reported that their new ventilators have arrived and will have training next week. They have hired two new part-time medics one being a critical care flight nurse and the other is a flight paramedic. They have one EMT that will be transitioning to medic. They will have 11 full-time medics, and are still short three medics. There will be a new medical director through IU. They are currently working on the curriculum of the new paramedic program that will last 15 months, potentially starting in October. There will be 10-20 people in the program.

Rhea Harris reported she has been working with a company called Fidlar for records management. It is an online records service which allows the county to allow the public to request online documents, and allow the public to pay for them, the Clerk's office will get the request, the public pays for them, and the Clerk's office will get whatever they need and certified if needed and send it out to them either through the mail or Fed Ex. It is no cost to the county and a month to month contract. Rhea is also interested in using Fidlar for scanning, imaging, or microfilming documents, and is getting a quote from them and two other companies. Commissioner Brewer stated he would like some time to review the contract and wait until the next meeting before signing.

Rodney Wann reported that he applied for and received a grant for a little more than \$50,000 for two years. He would like to hire a part-time person and that position would be funded through the grant. He has another individual that is part-time on another grant that is interested in this position. Commissioner Brewer stated he would be ok with that but would have to confirm with HR in terms of the thresholds of part-time and full-time and if it puts them in a precarious situation. Commissioner Weaver motioned for Rodney to move forward with



this individual fulfilling the second part-time position with confirmation from HR. Commissioner Uitts seconded.

Rodney stated that he has worked with the EMA Director, Darrell Sanders and discussed with the state department of health, and negotiated to work with Darrell and his crew to extend testing until the end of August that would have ended June 30th. He asked the commissioners' if he needed their approval to purchase a programmable LED light signage board. He has one quote of about \$37,000. Commissioner Brewer asked Rodney to get more quotes and they would need to approve it at that high of an expense.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Weaver reported he had been speaking with the people with the solar farm and seemed to have some issues resolved.

Commissioner Brewer stated he had a meeting last week or the week before on the career tech child care center. Ready Grant had applied for a career tech center in Clinton County as well as a child care facility. The initial thought is that it would be at the old Marsh building and the county and city will contribute a little. The Marsh building fell through, and at this point they are trying to find an alternate location.

Commissioner Uitts stated that initially child care wasn't mentioned, and the county committed to contribute to the purchase, not operations.

Commissioner Brewer stated that he believed the child care center was a push by the industry because there is a lack of it, and this would create 270 spots for children and work its way to be open 24 hours a day. It is tied to the career tech center. There were 3-4 more partners, and as he gets more information he will pass it along.

Tom Little stated that he drafted a letter to Shred-It to not continue the contract that will expire in August. Commissioner Brewer stated there were various complaints on the service from Shred-It so rather than renewing he would like to open it up to bid and see what other options are available. Commissioner Weaver motioned for the president to sign the termination letter to Shred It. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated May 20, 2022 in the amount of \$4,048.79  
Friday claims dated June 3, 2022 in the amount of \$47,296.23  
Bi-weekly claims dated June 7, 2022 in the amount of \$652,717.28  
Court claims dated June 7, 2022 in the amount of \$40,377.26

#### **IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL**

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

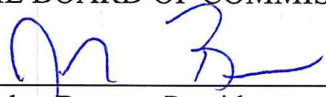
BOH Payroll dated May 20, 2022 in the amount of \$831.95  
Payroll dated May 20, 2022 in the amount of \$440,023.23

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES**

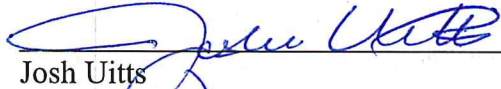
Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated May 16, 2022, Executive meeting minutes dated May 27, 2022, and Administrative meeting minutes dated May 27, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Uitts Motion carried 3-0.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Weaver at 9:55 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



Jordan Brewer, President

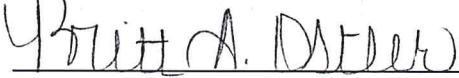


Josh Uitts



Bert Weaver

ATTEST:



Britt Ostler, Auditor