

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 20, 2023

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on June 20, 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

Josh Uitts

Bert Weaver

ABSENT

Others in attendance were Rick Campbell, Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Grace Gouveia, Renee Crick, Matt Neal, Britt Ostler, and others are shown to be present in the minutes. Britt Ostler 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 FRANKFORT UTILITY EASEMENT

Todd Corrie from Frankfort Municipal Utilities stated they've looked into redoing all the electrical work in the alley next to Arni's to get it from overhead to underground. They would need an easement to do the work on the north side of the barrier wall because it is too congested in the alley. Three of the five property owners are willing to do their part to get everything underground which includes upgraded services. He is 99% sure the RDC is willing to help with the project that is estimated to cost \$250,000. The only request the RDC had is they be able to utilize the parking lot in the evenings or weekends when they had events at the Prairie Creek Park. It is a 20 foot easement on the north side of the county property. Tom will work on an agreement with RDC. Commissioner Uitts motioned to grant the utility easement with Frankfort Municipal Utilities. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

Anita Stewart stated for the last two years the county has been pace setters for United Way. She asked if the county would be interested in doing the Fair Share Program again. Commissioner Weaver motioned to continue to support United Way and continue with the Fair Share Program. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DOCUMENT MOUNTAIN

Kevin Calhoun of Document Mountain gave a presentation to digitize the county's paper records. He stated that we have more than 200,000 pounds of paper within the courthouse. With Document Mountain all departments will be inside of one system versus different vendors and databases for each department. A visual demonstration was presented. Questions, answers, and discussion took place regarding the process. Commissioner Weaver motioned to accept the proposal to digitize documents. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0. They will work through the details of the contract.

IN THE MATTER OF WATER TOWER PROJECT UPDATE AND FINAL CHANGE ORDER

Jon Query of HWC stated the water tower went into operation at the end of April and was substantially complete on May 25th. There are a few punch list items to be completed by the end of June. Jon presented change order #4, a credit for the electrical service in the amount of \$11,500. Frankfort Utilities have signed off on the project. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve change order #4, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF FAIR COUNCIL

Matt Neal stated that Beardsley is now handling their accounting for the Fairgrounds, and presented an expense report to the commissioners. They are at full capacity in horse rental and training, and all barns are full. They had their electricity restored from the storm. They purchased a lawn mower, and are currently using the inmate program to mow their lawn. They were able to get chemicals donated from Co-alliance. He stated that they will be able to lower their budget by half.

One of the small projects they would like to tackle is getting the electrical around the Edward Jones Building underground. Two years ago they estimated it would cost \$160,000 for the first phase. They are looking into different options and funding for the grandstands. The fair will be held July 8th-15th.

IN THE MATTER OF THE CROSSROADS GIS CONTRACT

Renee Crick presented the Crossroads contract which is the company they utilize to keep their public safety mapping up to date that integrates with the Spillman system. She would like the commissioners to approve the 3 year contract for \$11,000. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the 3 year contract. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell presented a ROW service agreement for Bridge #21. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve and sign the agreement. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Rick stated he had talked to Alan Dunn and Jordan about getting some tandem axle dump trucks. He stated that in 2027 they will be changing the pollution standards again and will not be able to get the engine they have now. They have an option to lease 6 new Freightliners for \$260,000/yr for 5 years. Commissioner motioned to approve the purchase of 6 new trucks. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0. They will start Kelly Road after the 4th of July.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brewer presented the Arni's party wall agreement. This agreement will take the county off the original party wall agreement once the demo is completed because we will no longer share that wall when the new facility is built. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the agreement. Commissioner Weaver seconded.

Commissioner Brewer presented a sign placement request for Harness Racing for the fairgrounds. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the sign placement. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Rich Kelly stated the chillers were turned on last week with no issues. He will forward maintenance service quotes when he gets them.

Ashley Kelly stated in regards to the request for information from the insurance carrier, they are coming up on the 36 month to the Federal Inmate Agreement and needed this information to be entered into the new process to increase their per diem value per inmate. This is a new process not used 3 years ago.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Weaver stated he's had numerous calls regarding the solar farm. The latest from someone living across the street from the loading pad. His complaint was they were working on Sunday at 7:00 a.m. and wanted to know if they had certain work hours. Commissioner Brewer thought it was sun up to sun down all 7 days. He would have to look at the agreement. Commissioner Weaver will talk to Liz.

Commissioner Brewer stated in the litigation the county has with Sheriff Rich Kelly that started 2 years ago and had the ruling last July the sheriff exercised his right to take it to the court of appeals. The court of appeals made their ruling last week on all 4 of the items that upheld the trial court. Now it's in the next step if it'll go to the supreme court.

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 June 9, 2023 in the amount of \$11,786.14
Friday claims dated June 16, 2023 in the amount of \$6,831.56
Bi-weekly claims dated June 20, 2023 in the amount of \$1,319,766.96
Court claims dated June 20, 2023 in the amount of \$41,017.16

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

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

Payroll dated June 2, 2023 in the amount of \$496,568.19

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated June 5, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Uitts. Motion carried 3-0.

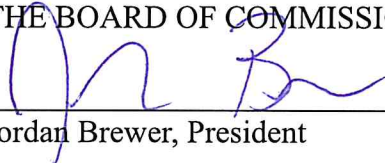
Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve Joint Executive Session minutes dated April 18, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Uitts. Motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Brewer abstained.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve Joint Executive Session minutes dated June 16, 2023, seconded by Commissioner Uitts. Motion carried 3-0.


Next Meeting July 3, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Weaver at 10:10 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



Jordan Brewer, President

Josh Uitts


Bert Weaver

ATTEST:

Britt Ostler, Auditor

