

REGULAR SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

AUGUST 18, 2025

COMMISSIONERS WILLIAM R BROWN, LOREN HYLTON AND SCOTT AYRES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON 18TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2025 AT 9:00 AM TO CONDUCT BUSINESS PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF CARROLL COUNTY AND THE STATE OF INDIANA. TED JOHNSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WAS NOT PRESENT.

Commissioner William R Brown opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the following minutes as presented with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

- Regular Meeting August 4, 2025

CLAIMS: Loren Hylton made a motion to approve the following claims with Scott Ayres seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

- Payroll ending August 2, 2025 in the amount of \$305,049.17
- RME insurance claim in the amount of \$32,659.00
- Early Claims in the amount of \$29,827.89
- Surplus Claims in the amount of \$25.14
- August 2025 PSAP in the amount of \$48,183.25
- August 2015 LIT EDIT in the amount of \$80,305.31
- August 2025 LIT Certified shares in the amount of \$535,369.00
- August 2025 LIT Freeze in the amount of \$339,049.26
- Zelis Insurance claim in the amount of \$83,745.86
- Re-issued Checks in the amount of \$1,239.80
- Surplus Checks in the amount of \$2,487.41
- ARP Claims in the amount of \$165,697.00
- Early Claims in the amount of \$18,255.94

OPEN BIDS FOR 2030 REASSESSMENT: Assessor Neda Duff opened her only bid from AdValorem for the 2030 Reassessment. Bid was for \$625,440.00. Commissioners requested Assessor Duff to review before approving bid. Bid will be reviewed on September 15, 2025.

PROPOSAL TO CLEAN EXTERIOR OF COURTHOUSE & WINDOWS: Custodian Keith Freeman presented a proposal to clean exterior of courthouse and courthouse windows for consideration. Scott Ayres made a motion to table for attorney's review with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. Set for September 2, 2025.

MONUMENT: Custodian Keith Freeman presented a proposal for cleaning of the monument for consideration. Scott Ayres made a motion to table for attorney's review with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. Set for September 2, 2025.

TRASH PICK UP: Custodian Keith Freeman presented a proposal to change trash contract to TK Trash Kans. Quote is cheaper. Scott Ayres made a motion to looking into switching from Waste Management to TK Trash Kans upon co attorney's review with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. Set for September 2, 2025.

ROCK CREEK BRIDGE: Loren Hylton made a motion to approve the Amendment of Permits 25-22 and 25-23 to permit the suspension of Duct and Fiber Optic cable from Rock Creek Bridge on North County Road 500 E. Scott Ayres seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. (Verita for Comcast Communications)

SESCO GROUP PHASES: Phases I and II were discussed briefly. Auditor Myers stated County Attorney is no board without continuing with Phase II. Co Attorney will be contacted about appraisals.

STATE OF PROPERTY/SAFETY/HEALTH/CONDEMNED PROPERTY: Jason Grzych, concerned citizen, reported on the state of property, safety and health concerns at 546 E Main St, Camden IN. He stated it was condemned 4-5 years ago. APC Director Mike Martin stated he will work with J Grzych for what action to be taken.

AREA PLAN: APC Director Mike Martin reported there needs to be strict and clear action procedures on how to handle properties that are causing public nuisance and safety/health concerns. M Martin explained accessory dwelling units (unattached places to live- multi dwellings on the same parcel) He will gather information and present at one of the next meetings to clean up Nuisance Ordinance.

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PROPOSAL FOR WORK ON OLD JAIL: Tabled until September 2, 2025 when Mike Fincher can be present to discuss.

BRADEN OFFICE EQUIPMENT: Beau Clark of Braden Office Equipment reported the County has 44 machines in 18 offices on a lease of equipment. 13 new machines are needed. B Clark presented a proposed solution with savings for county. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve proposal with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

FAITHFUL FRIENDS OF CARROLL MANOR (FFOCM): Dave Bowman representing Faith Friends of Carroll Manor reported that the Underhill Family of Delphi IN would like to donate a handicapped accessible 2019 Dodge van to FFOCM who would then donate to the County for Carroll Manor. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve donation from FFOCM with the following insurance, plates and maintenance on vehicle will be paid by the Commissioners and fuel for vehicle will be paid from donation fund. Loren Hylton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. D Bowman also requested high speed internet for the Manor. He will check to see if the Manor could use the same high-speed internet as the new jail and check on monthly bill and report back to the Commissioners.

NEW EDC DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENT: CCEDC Interim Director Jonathan Blake introduced James Wells as the new Chief Executive Officer effective August 18, 2025.

COURTHOUSE GROUNDS SIGN APPLICATIONS:

- Scott Ayres made a motion to approve courthouse grounds sign application by the Co Recorder to place a sign during Bacon Festival (August 22 to August 24, 2025). Loren Hylton seconded. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.
- Loren Hylton made a motion to approve courthouse grounds sign application by Carroll Co Historical Society with Scott Ayres seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

RATIFICATIONS: Motions were made to approve the following ratifications:

- Ratification of CC Emergency Management Service Renewal (LH/SA)
- Ratification of Investigation Center Contract. (SA/LH)

Motions passed unanimously 3-0.

NEXT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING: The next regular Commissioners' meeting will be Tuesday, September 2, 2025 at 9 am.

ADJOURNMENT: Loren Hylton made a motion to adjourn with Scott Ayres seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Carroll County Board of Commissioners


William R Brown, President


Loren Hylton


Scott Ayres

Attest: 
Beth L Myers, Carroll County Auditor