

COMMISSIONERS WILLIAM R BROWN AND SCOTT AYRES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2026 AT 9:00 AM TO CONDUCT BUSINESS PURSUANT TO THE LAWS OF CARROLL COUNTY AND THE STATE OF INDIANA. TED JOHNSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WAS PRESENT. LOREN HYLTON WAS ABSENT.

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

MINUTES: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the following minutes with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

- Regular meeting on February 2, 2026
- Executive Session Minutes of February 5, 2026
- Executive Session Minutes of February 9, 2026

CLAIMS: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the following claims as presented with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

- Payroll ending 1-31-26 in the amount of \$318,987.25
- Early claims in the amount of \$4,761.41
- Dec 2025 Education plate fee claim in the amount of \$18.75
- CCRD NIPSCO claim in the amount of 72.51
- Dec 2025 Settlement claim in the amount of \$1,014.53
- Dec 2025 Sewer Lien claims in the amount of \$16,765.50
- Dec 2025 Weed Lien claims in the amount of \$1,401.44
- Drain claims in the amount of \$598.97
- Early claims in the amount of \$11,927.93
- Imagine 360 claims in the amount of \$43,110.82
- Zelis Insurance claims in the amount of \$92,273.62
- SBOA Exam of Records claims in the amount of \$19,550.72
- January PSAP claim in the amount of \$48,756.92
- February PSAP claim in the amount of \$48,756.92

KIRPC PUBLIC HEARING: William R Brown opened the public meeting on the Owner Occupied Rehabilitation program. KIRPC representative Ed Buswell explained the project and guidelines for income. He stated the County is focusing on Veterans in need, William R Brown requested public comment and stated the County has set aside \$30,000.00 in EDIT funding for this project. Each household is eligible for \$25,000 maximum, which includes two home inspections. No public comment. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-01 authorizing the submittal of the Owner Occupied Rehabilitation program application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and Addressing related matters with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. A Fair Housing Ordinance was presented for consideration. Scott Ayres made a motion to read Ordinance by title only with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. Auditor Myers read by title only, Fair Housing Ordinance, General Ordinance #2026-01. Scott Ayres made a motion to consider Ordinance #2026-01 same day as presented with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. Scott Ayres made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2026-01 with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

• HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

- Hunter Alderman recommended E & B Paving Inc from Kokomo, IN for the Community Crossing project. (Lowest bid) Scott Ayres made a motion to accept E & B Paving bid with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.
 - Kathy Slaybaugh presented some issues and concerns about ditch damage on 500 W in front of her property. Trees and bushes have died and getting not response from highway personnel. S Ayres, W Brown, and H Alderman will meet at the site at 1:30 pm.

• CARROLL MANOR SUPERINTENDENT:

- Kim Roy presented a Carroll Manor application and admission application for Regina Lee Clark. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the application with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. There are now twenty-five residents.

- Manor elevator – K Roy reported the Carroll Manor has been down 6 days. She submitted an invoice from TKE in the amount of \$12,464.00. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the TK Elevator invoice in the amount of \$12,464.00 from Cum Cap and to pay ½ upfront and the other ½ when completed. William R Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. Council will hear the request on Thursday, February 19.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Director Callie Schimmel presented the following:

- Community Corrections 2025 Annual report for Commissioners review. C Schimmel reported levels of Supervision with annual operating costs, total staff members (Fulltime and part time), with numbers served for each. Twenty-five clients successfully completed the Driver's license reinstatement program. The Department launched the Cognitive Behavioral Interventions program. The Advisory Board and Executive Director are continuing to improve the program and the courts and prosecutors are utilizing the program as a part of sentencing.
- C Schimmel reported that the Commissioners have an appointment to be made to the Child Protection Team and she would like to be considered. Scott Ayres made a motion to appoint Callie Schimmel to the Child Protection Team as the Commissioners representative with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS: Mark Gourley from the Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs was present to conduct a biannual public meeting with the Executive to provide necessary information regarding outstanding claims & answer questions. M Gourley stated he has an assigned territory and will be visiting Carroll County twice a year. M Gourley stated Carroll County is in compliance and has all the modern technology. The modern technology is easier for the veterans to apply for services and benefits. Veterans Officer Larry Leach was present at the meeting.

EMA/E911: EMA/E911 Director Mike Fincher presented the following:

- CommsCoach: A request for additional funding related to CommsCoach. Request is intended to support continued staff development, performance improvement, and overall communications effectiveness within Central Dispatch. He presented an overview of the program, benefits, and associated costs. Program has 181 different language lines, now only three. Human error will be eliminated. Program costs \$28,000 the first year and thereafter \$24,500.00. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve purchase with funding from E-911 Fund 1222 or EDIT 1112 annually with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. Funding request will be sent on to the Council. M Fincher would like to have funding come from 1222 and then ongoing every year in budget.
- M Fincher requested a special joint executive meeting for the Commissioners and Council to meet about safety concerns. Meeting will be held on March 2, 2026 at 1 pm or March 5 at 10 am.

AREA PLAN: APC Director Mike Martin presented information on the following

- (1) updating Public Nuisance Ordinances – Does not include Delphi or Flora. Need new fund and who collects fees and fines.
 - (2) Accessory Dwelling Units – now one residential unit per parcel. In-law suite - accessory example.
 - (3) Minor Subdivision 3-5-lots.
- All favorable from APC. Need written favorable forms from APC. These topics will be discussed at the Commissioners' March 2nd meeting.

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2026-01 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN: County Attorney Ted Johnson presented Executive Order 2026-01 Capital Improvement Plan for approval. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve Executive Order 2026-01 with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

UTILITY EASEMENT FOR SINGLETREE PROJECT: Co Attorney Ted Johnson reported there is no utility easement for the Singletree project. County will Convey to Mr Hickner there will be a utility easement created.

DEPUTY PROSECUTOR FULLTIME JOB DESCRIPTION: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the Fulltime Job Description for the new Deputy Prosecutor with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 2, 2026 at 9 am.

ADJOURNMENT: Scott Ayres made a motion to adjourn with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

Carroll County Board of Commissioners

William R Brown
William R Brown, President

absent
Loren Hilton, Vice President

Scott Ayres
Scott Ayres

Attest: Beth L. Myers
Beth L. Myers, Carroll County Auditor

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