

REGULAR MEETING

COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 16, 2026

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

Commissioner Loren Hylton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

- Regular meeting of March 2, 2026
- Executive Session of March 2, 2026

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

- Payroll ending 2-28-26 in the amount of \$309,423.98
- Early Claims in the amount of \$13,722.32
- LIT EDIT claims in the amount of \$243,784.47
- Imagine 360 claims in the amount of \$46,711.51
- Zelis claim in the amount of \$67,225.14
- Early claims in the amount of \$14,861.31
- Insurance claim in the amount of \$1,254,000
- CCRD claims in the amount of \$1,136.97
- CCRD claims in the amount of \$684.25
- Claims in the amount of \$46,857.26
- ARPA claim in the amount of \$5,404.34
- LIT PSAP claim in the amount of \$48,756.92
- Claim in the amount of \$18,825.00
- Claims in the amount of \$16,414.13

PARK BOARD: President Greg Nipple presented the following:

- PARK BOARD APPLICANT: Scott Ayres made motion to accept Gilbert Noaker as the new park board member with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.
- CARETAKER AT DEER CREEK PARK: Greg Nipple is looking for a new Caretaker at Deer Creek Park. He presented a park contract for someone with on site RV. No action taken. Commissioners stated this is a park board decision.
- DNR LETTER FOR POND STOCKING DC PARK: Greg Nipple is looking into stocking the Pond at Deer Creek Park and having an assessment of the pond. DNR's earliest date is in August. Stocking pond was taken under advisement until after assessment in August. If pond is stocked, State DNR rules would apply. Fishing license is required and Conservation officers would be authorized to police the pond to enforce those rules.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

HIGHWAY: Highway Superintendent Hunter Alderman presented the following information:

- Will be fully staffed by next week. Will be advertising summer help soon.
- Cleaning and clearing trees down from storm.
- Will check on inventory – roads from lake area.

CARROLL MANOR: Superintendent Kim Roy presented the following information:

- Carroll Manor residents have an Influenza B and COVID. No visitation allowed.
- No rooms are available but still getting calls. All rooms are full. (27)
- Health Department used to give free shots to Manor, but not now. K Roy was instructed to talk with Health Department.

LAWN CARE CONTRACTS: Scott Ayres and Hwy Superintendent presented information for the Highway to mow county lawns. This would save \$24,000 in Co General fund. Highway would hire more summer help to learn how to mow lawns. H Alderman stated this would be an asset to highway. Tabled until April 6, 2026.

EDC: EDC Director James Wells presented the following:

- 2026 Carroll Co Economic Development Strategic Plan: Director Wells presented the Carroll Co EDC Corporation 2026 Strategic Plan Update which included current needs, opportunities, and strengths. He also spoke on the vision to achieve the goals of the plan which include four priority areas: Business Development,

Workforce Development; Community Identity & Quality of Place and community Collaboration & Leadership development. This plan provides a clear, action-oriented roadmap to achieve these goals.

- Invoice Correction INV #31026-1: A corrected invoice was presented to the Commissioners in the amount of \$460.00 for approval. The two invoices did not match, difference of \$460.00. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the \$460.00 correction with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

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

- FOR SERVICES & ASSOCIATES – CRITICAL MATTERS CONSULTING: M Fincher requested discussion on the Proposal for Services and Acceptance from Critical Matters Consulting, LLC, regarding the update of the Carroll Co Courthouse Emergency Action Plan, initial employee training on the updated EAP, a courthouse-focused tabletop exercise and related courthouse security planning support, including associated costs and next steps for possible approval. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the proposal costs of \$6,500.00 to be paid from Commissioners Professional Services with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.
- NAME CHANGE TO CARROLL CO 911: M Fincher requested approval to change the official name of Carroll County's Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) from Carroll County E-911 to Carroll County 911. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the name change effective March 16, 2026 with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS: Scott Ayres made a motion to allow Community Corrections Director Callie Schimmel to submit IDOC & 10CS grant applications with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0. (Letter was signed)

COURTHOUSE GROUNDS APPLICATION: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve CASA to place pinwheels around the courthouse Square (April 1 to 30th) with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

SINGLE TREE PROJECT: Surveyor Bob Gross distributed Flora Site drawing and Summary. Appraisers sent information to Auditor about County Site and Flora Site. Co Atty Ted Johnson suggested Executive Session before April 6th meeting to discuss land swap and appraisals. An Executive Session was set for Monday, April 6, 2026 at 8:30 am.

SURVEYOR: Surveyor Bob Gross presented a bill from Schneider for \$2300.00 for drain calculation. B Gross stated he did not know this was available and does not think he should pay invoice since it has never been used. It was due first of the year. Scott Ayres made a motion to have Surveyor and Co Attorney Ted Johnson to work together to submit a letter to discontinue service. Loren Hylton seconded. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, April 6, 2026 at 9 am.

ADJOURNMENT: Scott Ayres made a motion to adjourn with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 2-0.

Carroll County Board of Commissioners

absent

William R Brown, President

Loren Hylton, Vice President

Scott Ayres

Attest:

Beth L Myers, Carroll County Auditor

Date: 4-6-2026