

COMMISSIONERS WILLIAM R BROWN, LOREN HYLTON AND SCOTT AYRES MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON 2nd 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 ABSENT.

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

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

- Regular meeting on February 16, 2026

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

- Payroll ending 2-14-2026 in the amount of \$314,607.14
- Early claims in the amount of \$7,138.81
- Early claims in the amount of \$29,943.76
- Jury Claims in the amount of \$6,271.26
- Co Highway claims in the amount of \$380,968.19
- Co General claims in the amount of \$363,343.58
- Other funds claims in the amount of \$174,667.49

AUDITOR BETH MYERS: Auditor Myers presented the following:

- **PARK BOARD:** Introduced Greg Nipple as the new Park Board President.
 - G Nipple stated the Park board needs one more park board member.
 - Contracts: He presented a new contract with On Point for trash removal and a contract for pond maintenance. Loren Hylton made a motion to approve both contracts with Scott Ayres seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.
 - G Nipple also stated the French Post Park is in dire need for a sidewalk to the shelter house building. Commissioners advised him to get some estimates for the work.
 - G Nipple also requested stone from highway for Deer Creek Park for a gravel landing by the campground. Locals are dumping their trash in the dumpster by the clubhouse. He would like to move dumpster by the campground but needs gravel landing.
 - Both parks will open on April 15th.
- **CLAIMS TO BE APPROVED:**
 - Highway shed – Auditor Myers stated there is no line in the Fund for a shed. H Alderman needs to request a transfer and explained it is for equipment for the LRS projects. Auditor Myers will make a new line in the capital outlay. This keeps assets separated for annual report and SBOA auditing. Amount is \$9,965.
 - EDC claim: EDC Director James Wells presented the EDC claim for the Carroll County Fiber project in the amount of \$462,200 for Phase 1, 2, 3 & 5 which have been installed. 30% after completion of 1/3 of the installed fiber and \$57,800 for expenses to corporation for its expenses related to the project. Funding will come from the ARPA fund which has already been appropriated. Scott Ayres made a motion to pay the claim in the amount of \$520,000 with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.
- **CARROLL MANOR INFORMATION:** Auditor Myers addressed the Commissioners about the Carroll Manor expenses with the help of Angie Brown, Carroll Manor's Council representative. Auditor Myers stated the balance in Carroll Manor fund 4900 is \$29,578 which survived because of the funding of \$30,000 from EDIT provided by the Commissioners and Council. This amount put Fund 4900 in the black at the end of December, January 31, and February 27, 2026. Starting in March, claims will not be paid from the Fund 4108 Donation Fund until it is in the positive (black). Fund 4108 is in the negative -11,265.67. Claims had to be paid from 4108 for food, heat, electricity and necessary expenses.

Council put in place a two-year plan of paying the Superintendent and benefits from Rainy Day fund 1186 which is helping the 4900 Fund. She also stated that a Faithful Friends representative stated to Council member Angie Brown that food bills have not been paid. Food claims have all been paid today and are on time, because the Superintendent followed the guidelines with dates. All claims should be filed timely. A County official has also talked with the Superintendent, Council Member Angie Brown, and another Council member about filing negative claims. They have not talked with me. This is not helping the atmosphere of working together. I have also talked with the SBOA about this situation, and they understood why but advised me to talk with you, the Commissioners, about how to fund the expenses. Angie Brown requested \$50,000 from EDIT funding to keep the fund 4900 in the black. A Brown and Auditor Myers will monitor the spending if you approve. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve \$30,000 for the Carroll Manor expenses with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. Funding should be advertised from EDIT and Riverboat and the Council can decide which fund if they approve of funding.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

▪ HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:

- Extension Agreement (Oil Bids): Hunter Alderman requested an Extension Agreement for the liquid asphalt bid submitted in 2025 to remain in effect for the 2026 construction season. In addition to locking the 2025 price for 2026, this document also ensures that Asphalt Materials will continue to allow Carroll Co the use of 1 portable storage trailer at no charge. Scott Ayres made a motion to allow and approve Extension Agreement with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.
- 10 hour days: H Alderman requested highway hours to start 10 hour days (4 days a week Monday thru Thursday) on March 16, 2026 thru October 15, 2026 to start patching earlier. Scott ayres made a motion to allow highway to start 4- 10 hour days with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

▪ CARROLL MANOR SUPERINTENDENT:

- Kim Roy presented a Carroll Manor application and admission application for Joseph A Miller and INsook Lee. Scott Ayres made a motion to approve the applications with William R Brown seconding. Motion passed unanimously 3-0. Manor is full with twenty seven residents.

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

- (1) updating Public Nuisance Ordinances – Does not include Delphi or Flora. Need fund and set up who collects fees and fines.
- (2) Accessory Dwelling Units – now one residential unit per parcel. In-law ^{suite} accessory example. APC Director presented Article 3 Supplemental District Regular Section 7-1 Accessory Dwellings with amended information to be considered. Ayres made a motion to approve amended information for Article 3 Supplemental E Regulations, Section 7-1 with Loren Hylton seconding. Motion passed unanimously ²⁻⁰ Effective on passage.
- (3) Minor Subdivision 3-5- lots. Changed name to 3-5 Lot Parceling.
- Heads up – Neal Herr no longer is interested in I-2 for MJHoldings. It will revert ^{back} not used within 2 years to regular zone. Herr has requested back sooner. APC will recommendation to rezone back after next APC meeting.

EMA/E911: EMA/E911 Director Mike Fincher presented a quote from to replace residence door from Mulhaupts in the amount of \$8,251.64. Mike Fincher was requested to get more quotes. Scott Ayres made a motion to advertise \$10,000 from Cum Cap to repair doors at the Annex Building for April meeting. Loren Hylton seconded. Motion passed unanimously 3-0

2026 CARROLL CO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Scott Ayres made a motion to approve Carroll Co Chamber contract as presented. Loren Hylton seconded. Motion carried unanimously 3-0.

LAWN CARE CONTRACTS: William R Brown inquired if C & C Enterprises or Cooksey Lawn Care were present. C & C Enterprises was present. Cooksey Lawn care was not present. Auditor Myers and Loren Hylton both agreed that the trimming at Deer Creek Park was discussed last year. William R Brown inquired whether Commissioners wanted to go forward with C & C Enterprises since pricing stayed the same. Scott Ayres made a motion to table lawn mowing contracts from C & C Enterprises and Cooksey Lawn Care for further discussion until March 16, 2026. Loren Hylton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

UTILITY EASEMENT FOR SINGLETREE PROJECT: Co Attorney Ted Johnson reported there is no utility easement for the Singletree project. Surveyor Bob Gross presented sketch of proposed boundary (revised survey of county-owned site) for approval.

CCRD APPOINTMENT: CCRD President Jack Begley announced that Michelle Co resigned as the Commissioners' appointment. A new appointment is needed to fill her position.

VEREGY: Rick Anderson and Mark Frost presented information on the Veregy project on savings solutions. Rick Anderson distributed the Carroll County Preliminary Report showing utility analysis for the Jail, Manor, Courthouse, Highway Garage, Flora EMS, Yeoman EMS, Delphi EMS, 911 Tower and Sheriff Tower. He presented proposals for windows, skylights, HVAC, and Geothermal system for several of the buildings. Reducing energy and operating costs through energy efficiency and infrastructure upgrades. No action taken.

COURTHOUSE LAWN USAGE APPLICATIONS:

- Scott Ayres made a motion to allow Mark Smith to use the Courthouse Lawn on July 8, 2026 to recite the Declaration of Independence. On the 8th of July, the Declaration of Independence will be read across our Nation and Territories at the same time. It was on July 8, 1776, that the Declaration of Independence was first read publicly.
- Loren Hylton made a motion to approve Delphi Main Street to host Easter Egg hunt on the Courthouse lawn on April 4, 2026. Scott Ayres seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 16, 2026 at 9 am.

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

Carroll County Board of Commissioners

William R Brown, President

Loren Hylton, Vice President

Scott Ayres

Attest: _____
Beth L Myers, Carroll County Auditor

3-16-26

