

**MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
2524 CORYDON PIKE SUITE 104
NEW ALBANY IN 47150**

February 4, 2020
6:00 P.M.

Shawn Carruthers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance

Present – Shawn Carruthers, President, John Schellenberger, Vice President and Tim Kamer
Also Present – Rick Fox, Attorney; James Sinks, Assessor; Brad Striegel, County Council; Dale Bagshaw, County Council; Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor; Arnie Schnobrich, HR Director; and Frank Loop, Sheriff

Shawn Carruthers welcomed the new Commissioner, Tim Kamer

Recognition of NA-FC Art Teachers – Bicentennial Buffalo Project

Old Business:

1. **Appointment to Georgetown Fire Protection Board**

Tabled - Next meeting

2. **Appointment to Community Action of Southern Indiana**

Motion to appoint LaMicra Martin to Community Action of Southern Indiana. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Floyd County Auditor-Jacqueline Wenning**
 - a. **FCR 2020-2 Claims Schedule 2020**

Motion to approve FCR 2020-2 2020 Claims Schedule. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. **Floyd County Treasurer-Lois Endris**
 - a. **Ordinance request**

Lois Endris requested an amendment of the Ordinance from 2018 concerning Use of Credit Cards for elected officials and department heads of Floyd County Government. She has worked with Attorney, Rick Fox to define parameters. It will be up to the Department Heads to monitor the usage as defined in the Handbook. Lois will make the changes as discussed and will present at the next Commissioners' meeting.

- b. German American Bank contract for service

Motion to approve German American Bank contract for service for Lockbox agreement and to allow Lois to sign outside of the meeting for the Commissioners. Motion moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion approved unanimously.

- c. Tax Property Contract for Attorney Services

Motion to approve Buchanan and Bruggenschmidt contract for Tax Property. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Paul Primavera & Associates-Jason Copperwaite

- a. Grandview Estates Plat

Jason Copperwaite representing Grandview Estates, LLC on the relocation of Grandview Drive on the North end. Justin Tackett gave his secondary approval and recommended the Commissioners' approval on the plat.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Floyd County Engineer-Horacio Urieta

- a. Bear Creek Project – Change Order

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Bridge 9 – Atkins Road – Change Order

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Westfield Springs partial bond release

Request for partial bond release of \$127,750.00.

Motion to approve the partial bond release for Westfield Springs. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Legacy Springs partial bond release

Request for partial bond release of \$362,048.75

Motion to approve the Legacy Springs partial bond release. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

e. OSHA Compliance Contract

Horacio Urieta stated there will be seminars for OSHA once a month for all Highway Department employees.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Solicitation Permit for Rufing Remodeling LLC

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of an Amendment for the Vacation Easement for Donna Staser

Motion to amend the Vacation Easement for Donna Staser. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- Let the record show the Floyd County Commissioners received the December 2019 Clerk's monthly report
- Let the record show the Floyd County Commissioners received the December 2019 New Albany-Floyd County Public Library meeting minutes
- Approval of the January 21, 2019 Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioners' Committees

John Schellenberger attended the Soil and Water meeting on February 3, 2020 with Shawn Carruthers and Dale Bagshaw. There was a presentation on the history of farms in Indiana.

John Schellenberger attended the Library Winter Reading Challenge Program on January 31, 2020. The kids nearly doubled their goal. They received \$10,000 that will be used for STEM Labs.

John Schellenberger stated there will be another Coffee Talk at A Nice Restaurant in Floyds Knobs on Saturday, February 8.

Shawn Carruthers welcomed Aaron Combs as the president of the City-County Building Authority.

Today's Meetings:

3:30 P.M. Executive Session-Personnel

5:30 P.M. Board of Finance

Next Commissioners Meeting:

February 18, 2020 @ 6:00 p.m.

Public

George Mouser, 6411 Philip Schmidt Road, reread his request directed to the Commissioners on the Conservation Subdivision Concept. He stated the Conservation Concept is nothing but a ruse to promote intense development for the financial advantage of the developers and builders. He feels the entire process, from choosing the committee to the signing of FCO2019-23, was done with as much secrecy as the law will allow. He feels the Conservation Subdivision does not preserve the rural atmosphere of the county. He requested the Commissioners declare a moratorium on Conservation Subdivision and zoning changes while there are none applied for.

PJ Moore, Georgetown Township, welcomed Mr. Kamer. He asked how long approvals last and if they have to be renewed. Mr. Schellenberger stated that a zoning change would be approved by the Board of Commissioners. Anything else would be brought before Planning Commission.

Dale Mann, Georgetown, asked the lot sizes in Grandview. John Schellenberger stated they averaged around .75 acre. Mr. Mann stated that the houses being built in Georgetown are 7 houses on one acre. He stated that Senate Bill 46 that excludes Schools and Churches from Stormwater fees. He stated that the houses in Plum Hill pay less than the homes in Georgetown on Stormwater fees. He asked what the Commissioners are doing about this problem. John Schellenberger stated that they are working on credits and should be ready for the March meeting.

Marty Schindler, Greenville, is representing a group of Floyd County residents that recently submitted a draft of an ordinance to make Floyd County a Second Amendment Sanctuary to protect their Second Amendment Rights. Rick Fox stated that there is a state law that pre-empts the local subdivisions in the State of Indiana to pass gun legislation. Marty Schindler stated there are other counties in Indiana that has passed an Ordinance similar to the one he has sent. Rick Fox stated that there are significant penalties associated with that statute. He has recommended the Commissioners wait and see how this works out in other counties.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

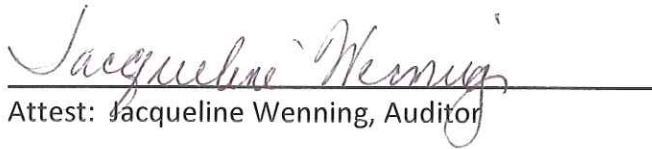


Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President

Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor