

**Meeting Minutes  
Board of Commissioners  
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104  
New Albany IN 47150  
November 16, 2021  
6:00 P.M.**

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

**Present:** President Shawn Carruthers, Vice President John Schellenberger and Tim Kamer

**Also Present:** Attorney Rick Fox, Auditor Jacqueline Wenning, Assessor James Sinks, Councilwoman Denise Konkle and Councilman Dale Bagshaw

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for our men and women in uniform and leaders across the country.

**New Business:**

**1. *IT Director-Gary Bierman***

- a. BIS Digital Contract – TABLED
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**2. *Building Authority-Scott Stewart***

- a. County Building Construction Update and Presentation

Scott Stewart gave an update on the City-County Building Construction. The focus now is on accessing the financing options and delivery model specifically for the judicial center. The intent is to schedule a workshop with the County Council and Commissioners.

The Building Authority, based on the assessment by RQAW, recommends they accept the County annex location on Grant Line Road as the lead sight for the County Administration facility.

The Building Authority also requests discussion on the Health Department relocation to the Lucille Reitz Building for a County Health and Wellness Center.

**Motion for the Building Authority to send out a Request for Information for the County Administrative Center located off of Grant Line Road. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

**3. *Joint Grant- Sheriff's Department, Probation, Veterans Court and Community Corrections***

- a. FCO 2021-20 Establishing Floyd County IDOC Grant Partners for Alternating Year Fund Management for Sheriff's Readiness Correction

**Motion to approve FCO 2021-20 with unanimous consent. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

**4. *Chief Probation Officer-Kelly Deuser***

- a. Juvenile Informal Adjustment Fee

**Motion to FCO 2021-21 for Fund 2500 with unanimous consent. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

**b. State Transportation Fund 7107**

**Motion to approve FCO 2021-22 for creating the Fund 7107 with unanimous consent. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

**5. Director of Operations-Don Lopp**

**a. Request from BRB Alliance for County OCRA Grant slot – Fairmont Neighborhood Center Project**

Chelsea Crump with River Hills Economic Development and Regional Planning Commission stated RBR Alliance and Rauch Incorporated would like to apply for an OCRA Grant for renovations on the Fairmont Neighborhood Center. They are asking the Commissioners to be the sponsor for the application.

Sandy Braunbeck from Rauch Incorporated stated they are asking to renovate the existing facility to ensure it is accessible and inclusive for the future. The updated facility would allow them to provide the people of disabilities and their families with a modern and professional facility.

Denise Konkle and Tim Kamer suggested the Legacy Foundation for funding also.

**Motion to approve Rauch Incorporated for the County OCRA Grant slot for Fairmont Neighborhood Project. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

**b. Bridge 51 Update**

Don Lopp gave an update on the Blackiston Mill Bridge. The environmental review will not be complete until September 2022. Construction has been moved out to fiscal year 2026.

Horacio Urieta stated the Blackiston Mill Bridge had a hole in the deck. The beams are in good shape. A plate was placed over the hole and the bridge will be inspected in the Spring.

**c. Novaparke Update**

Don Lopp stated Phase 2 has started with the flyover across the Norfolk Southern Rail. Phase 2 is expected to be completed by November of 2022

**d. American Rescue Plan – Non-For Profit Grant Update**

Don Lopp stated there were 29 applicants and they are in review.

**e. INDOT Project Update**

Don Lopp stated they will be submitting the LTAP annual report for the Community Crossing Funds. He stated they closed out the Farnsley Knob and Blunk Knob programs.

**f. FCR 2021-14 RDC TIF Expansion**

**Motion to approve FCR2021-14 RDC TIF Expansion. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

**g. Norfolk Southern**

Don Lopp stated he has received concerns from citizens in Georgetown on the blocking of Baylor Wisman Road and Tucker Road by Norfolk Southern Railroad. The Town of Georgetown is setting up a meeting to discuss what options are available to alleviate the issue.

**6. County Attorney-Rick Fox**

**a. Consent, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement**

**Motion for Consent, Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement for 302 Tuscan Drive in Floyd's Knobs, IN. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. FCO 2021-23 Adopting Employee Benefit Changes for 2022  
**Motion to approve FCO 2021-23 with unanimous consent. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

### **7. Board & Committee Reports**

John Schellenberger stated he attended the EMA meeting the week before. He also attended the LEPC meeting.

Tim Kamer attended the Q4 Legacy Foundation meeting. They will be announcing the grant recipients on December 8.

Shawn Carruthers attended the Southern Indiana Economic Outlook Meeting at IUS.

The Commissioners also attended a series of transportation meetings with KIPDA, Blue River, Ticket to Ride and TARC to extend transportation out in the county and rural areas.

- Approval of the November 2, 2021 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.**

### **Today's Meetings**

4:30 p.m. Solidwaste

### **Next Commissioners Meeting:**

December 7, 2021-6:00 p.m.

John Schellenberger stated the Health Department will continue to administer vaccinations at IUS. The Health Department also started a Pediatric Clinic. He stated there will be a READI get together at Charlestown High School. He will be attending the Indiana Association of County Commissioners Conference in Indianapolis.


Shawn Carruthers wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Dale Bagshaw commended the Commissioners for recognizing the imbalance between employee benefits and wages. He hopes that it will be the legacy of the two bodies to fix the problem.

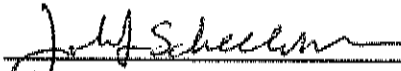
James Sinks, Assessor, asked if the voting of the Benefit Changes was on the agenda. Suzanna Worrall stated it was added late. He believes it should have been stated that it was added to the agenda. Shawn Carruthers stated that this has been discussed with the department heads.

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

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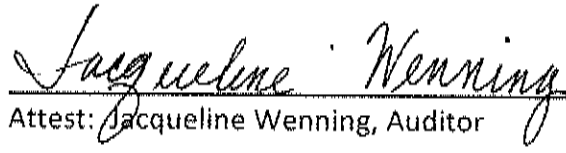
Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor