

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
August 17, 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

Absent: Tim Kamer

Also Present: Attorney Rick Fox, Councilman Dale Bagshaw, Assessor James Sinks, Sheriff Frank Loop, Judge Carrie Stiller, Chief Deputy Prosecutor Evan Bardach, Councilperson Denise Konkle and Auditor Jacqueline Wenning (virtual)

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for the residents that have been touched by COVID.

New Business:

1. Mainstream Fiber-Zach Stephens
 - a. Progress Update

Zach Stephens gave a progress update. They are starting to get customers installed in the northern block, the Navilleton area. A resident on Mary Naville Road asked about the contract stating that you have to commit to 3 years. Mr. Stephens stated that the advantage of the contract is that you will be locked into pricing for 3 years.

2. Floyd County Community Corrections Board-Evan Bardach
 - a. Community Corrections Director

Chief Deputy Prosecutor and Community Corrections Board President, Evan Bardach, stated that the Community Corrections Board voted 17-0 to recommend Daraius Randelia as Director of Community Corrections effective September 20. He stated that he has not been proud of the program in the past two years but promised that Daraius will make Floyd County proud. Judge Carrie Stiller stated that residents can expect to see major improvements in community corrections.

Daraius Randelia stated he eagerly awaits the opportunity to improve community corrections and work with those in need.

Motion to approve Daraius Randelia as the Executive Director of Community Corrections of Floyd County. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Building Security

Sheriff Frank Loop asked for a Security person at the Reisz Building to help support Community Corrections.

Motion to approve for Sheriff Loop to start building security at the Reisz building. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Director of Operations and Planning-Don Lopp

- a. American Rescue Plan – Quarterly Report, Water Project Update, and Project Appropriations

Motion to approve President Carruthers to sign outside of the meeting the American Rescue Plan quarterly report. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Lopp stated they are ready to award \$3,317,715.00 for 20 water projects. The projects range from hydrants to emergency water connect to line extensions and improvements. Don Lopp stated that he would like to form a committee to manage the employee bonus requests using ARP funds.

Motion for Don Lopp to move forward to put together a committee consisting of a Commissioner, two Council members and HR to manage the employee bonus decision tree. Moved by Shawn Carruthers. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Lopp stated the Southern Indiana Tourism Bureau provided the county with \$200,000.00 in grant money through a bond proceeds program. The County agreed to be the fiscal agent for the grant. The bond closes this week and 2 ordinances are needed to set up funds for the proceeds and the debt service.

Motion to pass with unanimous consent Floyd County Ordinance 2021-14 to establish a non-reverting fund for Southern Indiana Tourism Proceeds Fund. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to pass with unanimous consent Floyd County Ordinance 2021-15 to establish a non-reverting fund for Southern Indiana Tourism Debt Service Fund. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Lopp stated he received a grant agreement from KIPDA for \$30,000.00 for funds to be used for Baylor Wissman Road and Old Vincennes Road.

Motion for President Carruthers to sign outside of the meeting the KIPDA planning grant agreement after Mr. Fox's review. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

Don Lopp asked for a motion for Asbestech to remove the asbestos from 6563 State Road 64 before demolition.

Motion to remove the asbestos from the building at 6563 State Road 64. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously

- b. Sidewalks along Paoli Pike-Randy Stumler

Randy Stumler, 3312 Buffalo Trail, stated that as developments have gone in on Paoli Pike sidewalks have been put in and have left gaps in sidewalks. He would like to connect the sidewalks so the neighborhoods of Buffalo Trail, Altawood, Chambord and the Woods of Lafayette would be connected and also connect the neighborhood businesses to provide safe access for walking and biking and to provide connectiveness to their neighbors. One request is to complete the entire project with recovery funds. The other option is complete in phases. He stated this project can not be completed without the help of the Commissioners.

Don Lopp stated he will get with Mr. Urieta and the residents to determine the right of way.

4. Floyd County Resident-P.J. Moore

- a. Public Health Response

P.J. Moore, Georgetown Township, commented on discussions and objections to potential future public health measures for COVID. He stated patriotism is sacrificing for the public good.

5. Board & Committee Reports

John Schellenberger attended the EMA meeting.

John Schellenberger and Shawn Carruthers attended the One Southern Indiana Annual meeting.

Shawn Carruthers attended the Community Corrections meeting and is excited to see Mr. Randelia as new director.

- Let the record show the Commissioners have received the June 2021 monthly Treasurer's report
- Let the record show the Commissioners have received the July 2021 monthly Clerks report
- Approval of the August 3, 2021 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

Today's Meetings

4:30 p.m. Solid Waste

Next Commissioners Meeting:

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

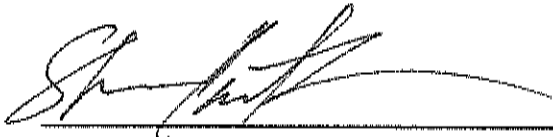
John Schellenberger thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. He thanked Zach Stephens for the Mainstream update. He stated that the health Department is giving COVID vaccines on Tuesdays with no appointment necessary. There will be a clinic at IUS on Saturday, August 21 for students to get vaccinated.

Dale Bagshaw, County Council, stated he looks forward to working with the new Community Corrections Director. He stated there will be a walking tour of Origin Park on Saturday, August 21.

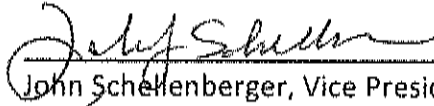
Shawn Carruthers stated he encourages everyone to get the COVID vaccine for their safety and health but it is your right to not get vaccinated if you choose.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.

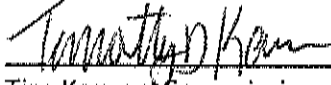
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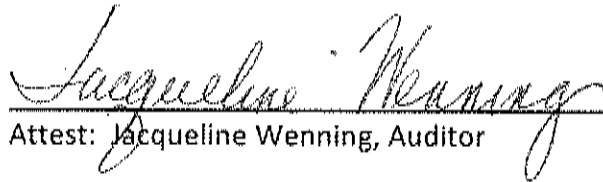
Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor