

Randolph County Commissioners

May 19, 2025

The Randolph County Commissioners met at their regular meeting at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners and Council Room in the Courthouse with the following members present: Board President Gary Friend, Tom Kerns and Missy Williams. Also present was Randolph County Auditor Laura Martin, Sheriff Art Moystner and County Attorney Meeks Cockerill.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council's update

Gary said alright, welcome everybody. We'll officially open up this meeting this morning, and we will start today with a council update. Who is here for the update for Randolph County Council? Larry.

Larry Preston said yeah, I can do it if nobody else will. I don't see anybody. I'm Larry Preston from the county council, and we last met on May the 6th. Some of the things we discussed, we talked with Sherri from the Health Department about the radios. We talked about trying to get some clarity on the warranties and the number of radios that would be needed or so on and so forth. And then we seen the Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition Suicide presentation. And then we seen the Vault project presentation from Susan. And I believe Brad Dilger gave us an update on all the Riverstart locations and the operations. We approved the Winchester library appointment. And I think we talked with Chris Shaneyfelt about the pass through grant. I believe that's about it.

Gary said any overtime discussion with the airport?

Larry Preston said we did. Yes, there was, and we did approve, they were asking for \$6,000 and we approved \$3,000.

Missy said did we also let them know that they need to have what hours and what days?

Larry Preston said yes, they did. Mr. Michaels, I think he was on the board, he actually brought the hours, the time sheet things and showed those to Dave. And one of the council members suggested the \$3,000.00 approval. And it was stated, like you said, for all departments from now on to do that.

Gary said I don't have anything else. Tom, anything for Larry? Missy, anything else? Thank you for the update. Appreciate it.

Larry Preston said thanks.

Randy Abel – Retirement

Gary said Randy Abel. Good morning.

Randy Abel said I guess this is officially announcing my retirement.

Gary said it is.

Randy Abel said so it will be July 1st.

Gary said July 1st?

Randy Abel said yeah. It's been a good 11 years, and if you guys need any help, just let me know. I know Keith has been a big help to me in the past.

Gary said Meeks has prepared us a contract for interim help as necessary.

Randy Abel said a contract, he's going to fill in the last two weeks of June for me.

Gary said yeah, Commissioners will need to get an advertisement out, and maybe you could look at the advertisement in the Auditor's office before we send it out to make sure we're on track with it.

Randy Abel said okay.

Gary said then we'll have to have an executive session and see if we can find someone. If not, we'll have to use Keith until we do.

Randy Abel said okay, sounds good.

Gary said Tom, anything for Randy?

Tom said thank you Randy. Appreciate everything.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said yeah, thanks Randy. We appreciate you.

Randy Abel said hopefully I can get my desk so you can see the top of it before somebody comes in.

Gary said well, you got a lot of work done during the tornado. That was an experienced person there at that time.

Randy Abel said it's still going on.

Gary said it is.

Randy Abel said it's crazy, but it is. So, alright, thank you very much. Appreciate it.

Gary said so, commissioners, we want to ask the Auditor's office to prepare an advertisement for a building commissioner?

Missy made a motion to approve. Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris Burton – Health Insurance Renewal

Gary said Chris, good morning. Chris Burton.

Chris Burton said hey, good morning.

Gary said I was shocked to see the price of insurance going down.

Chris Burton said it's not too bad. It's one of the better years we've had.

Gary said well, it's a good deal.

Missy said I wasn't shocked, but I was presently surprised in my prescriptions that went down.

Chris Burton said yeah, it's all working pretty good. I will knock on wood here on that. So, since this year we moved to Jefferson Health plan. Last year, that's been a really good move I think. We've talked with insurance committee about all that, and you guys had a great claims year. So, again, knock on wood, so we've got a really good renewal. We're getting really good RX rebates from True Scripts. Actually, you'll see it in here, but the last four quarters, it's been a \$145,000.00 in rebates back to the county. So, that's about 5% of your cost. So, that's really good too. That's really helped. If you look on the right-hand side, I just kind of put a, I show you guys this sheet every year, and it just has your current cost, the monthly employees cost, county cost, I have down here listed in the middle, the rebates, you know, your current costs. And the nice thing with Jefferson Health plan, you're paying a fixed amount every month, okay, it's based on expected cost. You guys came in a little under that, so that number is about 2.7 million, you know, with the employee contribution, the county cost is about 2.5. You take away the rebate of 145, about 2.3. So, that's really good. The renewal is about a little over 6%. The nice thing that we've been able to do with this good claim year is build a reserve up, okay. So, we've never been able to do that before, so, we've got about around 250,000, \$260,000.00 in reserve. So, that's important because if we do have a tough year next year, we're trying to keep building it up as we go along, we have money to use. Okay, that's a good thing. So, if you ever were to go back, leave a self-funded plan, go to a fully insured plan, you'd have the run off of claims to pay, that reserve would help pay that. But the most important thing, it's just a rate stability fund. And that's the important thing with Jefferson Health plan we've been able to build. So, with the 6% increase, you know, anticipating the same type of rebates, you know, we're looking at total cost of the county of about, it's about 6%, 2.5. You know, with the rebates, that takes that 6% increase down to about 1%. So, I can't guarantee the rebates are going to be that way next year, but they probably will be. And then then the HSA contributions, you're

doing a \$1,000.00 for the employee, \$1500 for a family, all very generous benefits. On the left-hand side, we did improve the benefits. Just want to touch on that. Unified Group Services is the administrator. We had a few issues as we know with the network getting started, so they wanted to make the benefits a little better, so we highlighted in blue so that the HSA Plan used to have co-pays after that 3500-dollar deductible. Now there're no co-pays. You have the 3500-dollar deductible and it pays 100%, which is a better benefit. It's a \$1,000.00 less out of pocket for the employee. And then on the PPO plan, we lowered the deductible from 2,000 to 1,500, which is a good thing. And so, that, you know, the office co-pay got a little better too. So, an improved plan, pretty good renewal, so we had one of our better years. On the left-hand side, just real quickly, I can just show you behind those, that benefit summary is where the claims have been running all year. And this sheet looks like this, kind of busy sheet here, but in the middle of it, kind of towards the right, you're running about 66% of your expected claims. And that gets to that reserve I was telling you, that you've been able to build. So, you know, we've handled your benefits for a long time. You know, we've had good renewals. We've been pretty fortunate. But, as far as your claim volumes, this is probably the best I've seen for a long time. So, I want to keep that going. You know, you guys are very committed to our medical team with the medical mobile unit. I can tell you that's helping tremendously. I can't tell you how much it's helping, but you know, it's a great service for your employees. We uncover a lot of unknown medical conditions. Dr. Ertel called me on Friday with a situation of one of our other clients. Somebody was in, had to take her to the hospital. So, these girls are like angels on earth. Dr. Ertel took this gal to the hospital, so she's okay. But, it just, those kinds of things, I can't really put on paper. But your commitment to that has really helped the overall health of the county, and that's the most important thing, because that's two thirds of your cost, is your claim cost. Okay, so, we can change the plan, we can change the carrier. We can make changes like that, but if you have an unhealthy employee base, there's not much that can be done. So, you guys are in good shape.

Gary said I have a question to better understand. We're talking about line 3 in the middle, HDP with HSA, that's how we rule the plan?

Chris Burton said high deductible health.

Gary said does our individual deductibles go up?

Chris Burton said they stay the same at 3500 on the HSA.

Gary said 35 and 12?

Chris Burton said that's out of network, I'm sorry. Anything on the right-hand side of that slash is out of network. Pretty hard to go out of network with the networks that we have.

Gary said yeah, the 35 though is higher than the 2,000?

Chris Burton said that's the PPO deductible. You have the two plans.

Laura said here's the new, these two. So, actually, the HSA goes down. Oh no, it's the same, never mind.

Chris Burton said it went down. It went down in, well you have the no co-pays after that deductible.

Laura said right.

Chris Burton said so it did go down in that regard. Then the PPO plan went from 2,000 deductible Gary, to 1500.

Gary said so the HSA one right here, that's what I'm looking at?

Laura said no, that's PPO. This is HSA so don't compare this to this.

Gary said that's what I wanted.

Chris Burton said yeah, well, it's a little confusing. So, a lot of numbers on there.

Gary said right, they're not side by side.

Chris Burton said but, so, we don't come out too often with improving the benefits. So, we took this opportunity, you know, with a good claim year, just trying to help the employees you know. And you guys pay most of the cost for them which is, you know, a great benefit. And now they have a little better benefit plan.

Gary said I think if we can keep our rebates up and we're going to go up just 1%, I don't see any reason to make any changes at all myself. Tom?

Tom said I agree.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said yes.

Gary said somebody like to make a, we need to make a motion to approve.

Missy said one thing before we, and I'll make that motion in a moment, is I think people really, really appreciated all of you who are in the auditor's office are coming down doing a lot of explanation with those of us who were sitting on that committee, and your staff too. That made it a lot easier. So, we appreciate what you did. And I'll make that motion to approve.

Gary said that we renew?

Missy said that we renew, yeah.

Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said thank you Chris.

Chris Burton said hey Gary, there's one thing you need to sign. So, if you don't mind doing that?

Gary said yep. I just mind it all.

Chris Burton said we've got a great team here.

Gary said thank you. Thanks for all you help, Chris.

Chris Burton said thank you guys.

Gary said what makes it go is we have someone we can talk to that we believe in.

Chris Burton said well appreciate you guys. Very grateful for Randolph County and we'll be doing some employee meetings coming up here the first of June, so, talk about benefits.

Gary said we're not on the last day either.

Laura said no, we're a month ahead of time. We're happy.

Chris Burton said well, we've been working on this right, for a while. Okay. Everybody, have a good week.

Gary said thank you.

Gary said yep, thank you. Okay, the next item, we're going to move down the schedule, due to a delay. There was a minor accident for the people coming with SJCA. So, Jay Long and Jaycie Bergman. Are you here?

Jay Long and Jaycie Bergman – 2024 Annual Highway Report

Gary said Annual Highway report. Good morning. Did you have any storm damage Friday night to deal with?

Jay Long said oh yeah. Yeah, it's been, not a real good weekend, know what I mean?

Gary said oh, yeah.

Jaycie Bergman said we have the annual report for the year of 2024. We're just needing to submit that to LTAP and get your approval.

Gary said everything in here balances with your expected funding?

Jaycie Bergman said yes.

Gary said everything balances with the restricted, non-restricted?

Jaycie Bergman said yes.

Gary said are you recommending this, Jay?

Jay Long said yes sir.

Gary said Jaycie, you're recommending it?

Jaycie Bergman said yeah.

Gary said Tom?

Tom said yeah, don't have any questions.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said yes.

Gary said somebody like to make a motion to accept this claim?

Tom made a motion to approve. Missy seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said what else you got for us?

Jay Long said that's basically it. Pretty short and sweet.

Gary said run out of work yet?

Jay Long said no, no. Not even close.

Gary said thank you folks.

Jay Long said we're trying.

Gary said you're doing fine.

Sherri Thompson, Kimbra Reynold, Stephanie Patterson -Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition, Suicide Overdose Fatality Review funding(tabled from May 5)

Gary said Sherri Thompson, Kimbra Reynold, Stephanie Patterson. Jay County Drug Prevention Coalition Suicide.

Sherri Thompson said good morning.

Gary said so, you're back for the follow up from the meeting before?

Sherri Thompson said yes.

Gary said and all the information is out. So, now it's just up to whether we're going to vote for it or not and use restrictive versus non-restrictive according to Meeks and even I, we're allowed to use restrictive on this if we choose to do it. So, I'm okay with doing it. I don't believe that's the feeling of the entire board of commissioners, and we'll go around the room so, Tom?

Tom said I'm good with it. I think it's a good use of the funds that are just sitting there. And I would say use the restrictive on it. It doesn't make sense not to use the restrictive.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said I disagree. I will not vote on this today. I think you do great work in Jay County. I just, the \$20,000.00 I think we need to look around and see who in Randolph County can we help, any organization up their standards. And I was also reminded by several school corporations, well a two of our school corporations that a lot of that is being done by schools right now and so, with their guidance counsellors and with their advisors. So, I'm going to vote, mine is a no vote. I think I'd like to keep the money in Randolph County, and if we need to find somebody to up a little bit, that's what I want to do.

Gary said I believe this is for Randolph County, right?

Kimbra said this is for Randolph County.

Missy said it is, yeah.

Sherri Thompson sand and Stephanie is a life-long resident of Randolph County.

Missy said yeah, I know.

Gary said okay. Alright, well.

Tom made a motion to approve. Gary seconded the motion. Two aye votes. One nay vote/Missy. Motion carried.

Gary said okay. Thank you.

Samantha Burke – Vacation of Street in Harrisville

Gary said Samantha Burke. Vacation of Street in Harrisville. While she's coming up, I've spoken with Meeks and we talked about the ordinance of last meeting. And if it's okay with you two, I think it would be proper to when we get ready to address an ordinance to ask if there's anyone in the crowd at that particular time that would like to speak to the ordinance for no longer than 3 minutes, you do not have to answer anything that's said. And even though nothing was done wrong last time, the optics wasn't the very best. Some people didn't like the fact that maybe there was favoritism. It was not intended, but I understand. So, with that, you're up Samantha. So, you're looking to vacate the street, the other party on the other side is not involved in this?

Samantha Burke said no. It was recommended by attorney that there's hostility with that neighbor. Has been from day one that I purchased the property. From within two hours of closing, there's been assault and every time I've tried to maintain the fence that I was even allowed to put up, which I knew was not the property line. County sheriff has been out there a hundred times. And so, I finally decided that after I started to do this process when COVID hit and then it shut the court systems down. After he came out and done a preliminary survey, they decided they weren't going to hear anything that wasn't necessary. And so then, little by little, it got pushed back on my end. And so, the neighbor to the west of me has just recently done the other road or alley between us within the last two months. And so that's kind of prompted me to get this other side done. The other issue is that the fence that I have up is, was supposed to be a temporary thing. It's been scabbed together, cobbled together. I'm not able to reinforce it. I'm not able to maintain it. And every time I try to do that I'm threatened with assault, I'm threatened, you know, sheriffs have to come out and it's not a safe fence. There's going to be an issue with livestock getting out, kids getting on a railroad track. I've had dogs be hit on the railroad track because the fence has been down, trying to be fixed. And it needs to be resolved and settled. They have basically, taken over the 64 feet, it should be 64 feet between their property line and my legal property line. And so, it needed to be done. It actually looks as though, the preliminary survey, it looks as though they're even over 25 feet or so on what is legally my deeded land now. They've parked a camper on it. They've dug gardens on it. They've planted trees. They've built a chicken coup. He's got a boat fenced on it. They've fenced it. I've tried to discuss it with them and there's no discussion. So, the attorney advised that I could either add them as a party and ask for their half to be vacated along with my half to be vacated along with my half or I could just simply request just my half which wouldn't involve, have any involvement with them. There would still be 32, approximately 32 feet between what potentially would be granted to me, versus their legally deed of land. And that would be for them to deal with. And so, based on what I feel like is the easiest route, I just decided to request what would only involve me as a homeowner and it would have nothing to do with them, there would be no involvement with them.

Gary said okay, I have a couple questions.

Meeks said hold on, the statutory process it takes that the petition is filed, you would set it or a hearing within 30 days. Any abutting land owner would get notice of that. We'd have a public hearing and then you would look at that ordinance. So, the deliberation process of it would be after that public hearing. My feeling is, after looking at it, that the adjoining land owners are abutting that public right-of-way, so they would get notice. The railroad would get notice because they're also abutting it. And pursuant to the statute, it says here that the legislative body shall hold a hearing within 30 days after it is received by the legislative body shall give notice of the petition and the time and place of the hearing. The petitioner shall pay the expenses of providing this notice. So, certified mailings need to go to the abutting property owners, which is the railroad and which is the neighbors.

Gary said okay.

Meeks said so, that's the statutory process.

Gary said so we need to follow the statute.

Meeks said yes, you need to set a hearing is what, that's what you need to do today.

Gary said okay, so the hearing can be, how much time do we need, a month?

Meeks said within 30 days.

Gary said so we can have the first meeting in June as the hearing before the meeting begins?

Meeks said that's normally what we do.

Gary said so, that's June 2nd, I believe?

Meeks said you're not going to get, if it's a public hearing, you have to have 10 days' notice to the paper.

Missy said June 16th?

Gary said June 16th?

Missy said I think that would be 2 weeks from, yeah.

Meeks said you meet the 2nd and 16th, I just don't, I mean if you have to have 10 days, literally, would have to be in the paper by Thursday, right? And the notices would have to be out so.

Gary said I was thinking about a little bit of time, so.

Meeks said yeah, it would have to be 16th.

Gary said like to have a motion to set a public hearing on June the 16th at 9:00 prior to the beginning of your general commissioners meeting.

Missy made a motion to approve. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Laura said so, does she need to give a public notice to the paper Meeks?

Meeks said well it says that the clerk would give notice of the petition and time and place of the hearing. That's just a public hearing like we normally do. She would need to pay for the certified mailings.

Laura said so normally, I put meeting notices in the paper. Those are no cost. Is this a legal notice or just a meeting notice?

Meeks said it's a meeting notice.

Laura said okay. Then I can do that, right?

Meeks said but the certified mailings have to go out to the, and I don't have the addresses. So, you would need to provide the addresses to the auditor.

Samantha Burke said I'm not, I guess I'm not sure that he didn't already contact the railroad. He assured me that I did not need to contact the other homeowners.

Meeks said well the notice has to, the notice has to go to the adjoining property owners. The statute is right here. Notice must go to the abutting land owners.

Tom said even if he's contacted, he doesn't know when the meeting is set.

Meeks said he doesn't know when the meeting, we have to let them know that there's a public meeting on that petition.

Laura said so, her attorney would do that?

Meeks said generally, attorneys do that, yeah.

Laura said well I just want to make sure that we're both clear what we need to do.

Samantha Burke said yeah.

Meeks said talk to the attorney, make sure he gets the notices out to abutting landowners. And if he does not, he'll need to let the auditor know.

Gary said you can tell him we've set the public hearing dates.

Meeks said let the auditor know today or this afternoon. Call her up, let her know.

Samantha Burke said okay.

Gary said alright.

Samantha Burke said alright, thank you.

Grant Cox, Monte Polling and Tom Osborn – Tornado relief update

Gary said alright next, Grant Cox, Monte Polling and Tom Osborn, tornado relief update. Gary said good morning.

Grant Cox said morning. Yeah, thanks for seeing us today. My name is Grant Cox. I work at the Community Foundation of Randolph County. And I've been serving on the long-term recovery team along with Monte Polling and Tom Osborn here. We just want to take the opportunity to address some mis-information, give an update on the relief fund and also give you guys an update on the county barn. So, we've heard some different mis-information regarding

how much the fund has varying all the way from 2 million dollars up to 14 million dollars. And as much as I wish both of those numbers were true, they eclipse what the fund has ever raised. I would like to give some key figures of the fund. Total raised, including pledges yet to be received, \$641,515.44. Total disbursed, \$257,358.79. Total allocated, \$307,896.01. And within that total allocated number, \$78,600.00 of those allocated funds are estimates. They're set aside and they are estimated. So, this figure is not a hard figure. It could go up or down drastically, based on when we do get those final figures. But given those figures, the total fund balance remaining is \$76,260.64. I'd like to take an opportunity to remind everybody that that total raised figure were all donations, pledges from individuals, businesses, organizations, churches, all over the country. And this also includes grants that the long-term recovery team applied for. I did not receive any FEMA. Some case information in total, 449 cases had been opened and of those, over 50 of them met our by-laws that we are able to assist. The other cases were closed, either by personal insurance, SBA loans, state disaster response funds, or with support from good Samaritans. And as of today, 18 cases are still open. And 8 of those have funds for which the rough estimates are outlined and 10 of those cases still open and we are uncertain what the financial aid, the end financial aid will be. And while I did say that there's 18 open, there are instances where closed cases have been reopened, a recent example is that we were told and thought that personal insurance covered a case and they were going to be fully covered and then insurance comes in lower than what was estimated. So, that case is reopened and comes back. So, considering the remaining open cases, amount of funds currently available, it's highly unlikely that enough funds have been raised. When the disaster occurred, we followed the structure set out by Jane Priddy, coordinator of Disaster Preparedness and Response. And per emails from Jane and Chris Shaneyfelt, Jane was brought in early and spoke with Chris Shaneyfelt, Mike Wickersham, David Lenkensdofer and Bob McCoy. And in that meeting, Jane gave an overview of what long term recovery would look like and what it could do. The long-term recovery team has been following those policies and by-laws presented and that have been proven to work across the state. Chris also mentioned in that initial meeting that they sought to build a COAD, C-O-A-D, Community Organization Active in Disasters. The goal was to have a local fund so that anything donated would be guaranteed to meet local needs, local issues and not be used for payroll of national level organizations. While this long term recovery team has the primary goal of assisting uninsured and under insured who suffered from the March 14th, 2024 disaster. The goal, with any remaining funds should there be any, would be to establish a COAD. A COAD would benefit our county for future disasters, already be established when the next disaster occurs, and part of United Way has been a part of this long-term recovery process since the beginning, and they would be instrumental in helping us in that transition if we ever get to that stage. Regards to the county barn, the county's been gracious to allow the long-term recovery team to utilize it for storage of non-monetary donations. At the end of March, there was a team of volunteers that came up from Kentucky in Southern Indiana to assist. And one of their many projects that they had to assist with included cleaning and organizing the county barn. Remaining items out there consist of two categories, either construction materials or non-construction materials. Case managers offered the remaining non-construction materials to those who opened a case and all items that people needed have been disbursed. The rest of the items will be auctioned off through Bid Tarter. And the on-line auction is live now. It will run through Tuesday, May 27th at 8:00 p.m. and the pickup date for auction items is Thursday, May 29th, 5:00 to 7:00. So, we expect some traffic out there on that day. Assuming all lots are bid on, the construction materials would be the only remaining items out there.

Gary said okay. For how long, do you suppose on those?

Grant Cox said it, I'd like to lean on our construction manager on that one.

Monte Polling said yeah, we have a group that has committed to us to build the house that we have that was a total loss, and it's an Amish group, but we are still waiting on them to put their people together to get that done. So, hopefully, we're going to, within this month we'll know something about when the start date

Gary said then once they start, you're expecting to use everything that's out there?

Monte Polling said yeah, they'll use what's out there and of course more, but yeah, that should take care of everything that's out there.

Gary said okay. So, I guess it's fair to say sometime this summer we probably should see the barn be empty?

Monte Polling said oh certainly, yeah.

Gary said then we could re-purpose it without any problem, if we choose to.

Monte Polling said yes.

Gary said the mis-information, thanks for this information. I never heard any mis-information, or I didn't pay any attention to it, one, I don't know.

Grant Cox said we had multiple come into our office.

Gary said thanks for the update. Want to offer anything?

Tom Osborn said no, just want to thank Grant and Monte both for their leadership. Grant's done a tremendous job, has kind of been our business manager, so to speak, and our, in charge of the fund and making sure that all the money is spent appropriately and all the receipts are documented and it's been a great process. You know, initially, when we met, we were told that a tornado our size, we might need to raise about a million and a half dollars. And we knew we were falling far short of that, but somehow because of all their donations and volunteers, seems to be all fitting together very well. So, I know people have had to wait a long time for some of the funds that they've requested, but that's partly because we meet their un-met needs. In other words, after the insurance company has finally made their settlement, then we can step in and hopefully fill the gap. So, it's been kind of a long process and there are lots of red tape in places, but it's going well, I think.

Gary said thank you. Missy, you have anything?

Missy said I know a couple people who are still waiting on their insurance and have roofs that are really, really, bad. Is there any way to offer them any assistance just to get a roof over their house? I don't know if that's.

Monte Polling said yeah, I think at least one we've taken care of.

Missy said yeah.

Monte Polling said to just the, their materials are ready, it's just getting the contractor in there to install so.

Missy said I know one of them is in arbitration but it doesn't put a roof on, you know, here, there, so they're still.

Monte Polling said yeah, that's the difficulty for us is the, see if we can get through that.

Gary said anything else Missy?

Missy said no. Thanks for your work.

Gary said Tom?

Tom said once everything's closed out, finalized, is the organization designed to keep going for the next disaster, is that all, I know that's talked about ahead of time?

Grant Cox said that was what was from Jane and Chris Shaneyfelt's conversation. That was the goal initially, but this team is set up for this disaster, but yes, if there are funds remaining, a COAD would hopefully be established so that something is set up and that first week where we were all scrambling wouldn't be nearly as, I mean still chaotic, but there would be a structure in place.

Gary said what did you say COAD stood for again?

Grant Cox said Community Organization Active in Disasters.

Tom Osborn said do you want to tell them what our names are now?

Grant Cox said versus VOAD, which is just what Jane helped us establish a volunteer organization active in disasters.

Tom Osborn said so, once the March 14th disaster is closed and all the cases have been resolved, then this organization that we're currently running would basically cease and desist. The funds then would be rolled over into a new organization with new volunteers, new by-laws, so they wouldn't be specific to the March 14th tornado. But the fund would still be available for this county for future disasters.

Gary said well I appreciate what you guys have done. The whole community at large, come together on a disaster of this nature. Could have been so much worse than it was. So, thank you.

James Strong, Camp Trinity – update on camp

Gary said James Strong, are you here?

Missy said no, he's not. His wife has COVID and so he didn't want to come in today. So, I can give you a little bit of an update from out there.

Gary said please do.

Missy said so, Saturday morning was a really great day because they, they're calling themselves Camp Trinity, just changed the name just a little bit. And if you haven't been, don't be wondering out there without permission because they do have some cameras and things to keep people safe. But they have made some amazing improvements. They had built, I don't know how big the gathering, I call it a room, but it is a huge pole barn that they are going to start having meetings and things in, I think some church services for their church. They're a group out of Ohio who took over Camp Yale and so they, there's a little organization called Girls on the Run, and Deerfield changed it to Everybody on the Run, and needed a place to hold that. So, we went out, one of the teachers and I went out to Camp Yale, Camp Trinity, and met with him and asked any way that the kids could run out here and do their, called a 4 kilometer run/walk. And they were super. They took us all around. If you haven't been out, you have to go see it and you have to hear about how they run that camp. They have about 70 kids who they run through a camp week by week. They have all kinds of meetings and activities. They use the woods. They have taken what everybody knows as the pavilion, which was an open pavilion, it has been very nicely constructed so it's a building now and has doors and windows and the whole thing. There're 44 bunk beds in there, bunks in there. So, when the girls, it's their week they are therein that camp and then when it's the boys' week, then they're in the camp. They, it's just really impressive what they've done and how they welcomed Deerfield Elementary on Saturday. And I think Deerfield had over a 100 people who participated between, it was a family run, family walk for a lot of people that, like others. But, you know, when we gave that to them, we were hoping for good things and it's definitely turned into good things. And he is going to come in some day and tell you a little bit more about the program. And I think he's, I know he's, I think once he gets over this COVID thing he's going to set up a Saturday afternoon, invite the entire public to come in and just see what they've done out there. There's, the terrible rain and the flooding wiped out the bridges that went to the back area, but that's something they're working on, trying to get some volunteerism to rebuild those. Corn stalks and all were coming down through there also. But really impressive, and from what I see, and I'm no judge of things, but just really have their heart in the right place. I think the county made a very good decision in having them take it over. It's very well taken care of. It's mowed, they've got new gravel in the driveways. And anyway, that's, he will be in sometime. He'll have to wait until everybody's not ill.

Gary said alright. Thank you.

Missy said yeah.

Gary said Perry, is your party in route, close?

Perry Knox said they said 9:45 should arrive.

Gary said okay, well we'll go through other business and move you to the bottom of the agenda, okay.

Other Business:

Art Moystner, Randolph County Sheriff

Gary said sheriff.

Art Moystner said I don't have anything for you today, unless you have questions for me.

Gary said I do not. Tom?

Tom said no.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said no.

Payroll Claims \$356,600.23

Gary said alright. Next up is our payroll claims of \$356,600.23. Somebody like to make a motion to approve the payroll claims?

Missy made a motion to approve. Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Regular Claims \$1,701,289.29

Gary said next up is Regular Claims, \$1,701.289.29.

Tom made a motion to approve. Missy seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Randolph County United Claim \$16,245.45

Gary said Randolph County United claim, \$16,245.45. Make a motion to approve?

Missy said that's separate from Tourism, correct?

Gary said correct.

Missy made a motion to approve. Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said why isn't Tourism coming in for claims on a bi-weekly?

Laura said bi-monthly.

Gary said bi-monthly, I'm sorry.

Laura said I don't know. We just submit what they turn in.

Argo Claim \$12,580.00

Gary said Argo claim, \$12,580.00. This is a continuation. Continuation of the jail project.

Tom made a motion to approve. Missy seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Copier Quotes/Proposals

Gary said Copier Quotes/proposals, Laura.

Laura said I gave you two quotes for new copiers and then a proposal from Weber and basically, Weber is willing to pay off the units we have and all we'll pay them is maintenance and we can get those for 36 months and the maintenance will be set to the same amount for that 3-year period, which is right now, I believe we're paying, I should have brought that, but I think it's .005 for black and white and .05 for color. We've only got I think one copier on here for the courts. So, we'll keep what we have and I sent you their proposal, which notates the savings and that lease is due to be paid and would have been on your claims this week, except for I had Danita take it off until you decided if you guys want to accept this proposal from Weber because if so then they'll pay that, so we won't have to.

Gary said okay. Alright, Tom?

Tom said I'm for it.

Gary said I'm fine with it. Missy?

Missy said yep, sounds good.

Gary said okay. Just need a motion to just proceed with Weber.

Tom made a motion to approve. Missy seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Additional Appropriation

Airport Overtime	\$3,000.00
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Gary said next up is the Additional appropriation for the airport overtime. The County Council has approved \$3,000.00. Somebody make a motion to approve this?

Tom made motion to approve. Missy seconded the motion.

Gary said I will note that all the council members did agree on here.

All aye votes. Motion carried.

Joe Copeland and Ronald Munoz, SJCA – Phase I final bridge inspection report

Gary said Joe Copeland, Ronald Munoz, SJCA, Perry Knox.

Perry said thank you commissioners. I apologize for the delay.

Gary said no problem at all.

Perry said had a little accident this morning but every was.

Gary said everybody okay, both parties?

Ronald said everyone is alright.

Perry Knox said Commissioners this is Ronald Munoz. He's our engineer in charge of bridge inspection and this is Mike Hoy who's our roadway project manager engineer. And we're here to talk about your countywide bridge inventory, and then an update on your quarry road project.

Gary said thank you. Is that book a repeat or is it actually 1 & 2.

Mike said that is brand new.

Missy said do you have another one of those?

Mik said I do in the back.

Gary said no, I mean, it's 2 volumes or?

Perry said no it's 2, 2 copies are the same.

Gary said okay.

Ronald Munoz said good morning commissioners. My name is Ronald Munoz of SJCA. Nice to meet you all. So, in case you guys didn't know, the most common type of bridge that Randolph County has is the concrete box beam. We'll get to why that's important, but basically, today what I'm presenting is the Randolph 2024 Phase 1 Countywide bridge inspection. You guys have 216 bridges in your inventory and FHWA the Feds require that those bridges are inspected every two months unless they're in bad condition and then they require that they are inspected more frequently. For that project, the Feds provide 80% of the funding. The rest of it comes from the county. But it is required by Federal law. So, if you turn over to, I think it's the 3rd page, in their handouts, you'll see that I list the condition of the bridges in Randolph County and then I also show how they compare to all the counties in Indiana. Basically, as far as conditions go, we've got good, fair and poor and you'll see that the percentages match those that you'll see across other counties in Indiana. So, basically what we see in Randolph County is that on average, the inventory here represents kind of what you see throughout the rest of the state. I will say that one of the good things that we've seen as your bridge consultant for the past 5 years is we've seen an improvement in the condition of those bridges. And I think a lot of that has to go with Perry and our team of SJCA helping to provide funding and just Joe Copeland understanding of kind of the current state of the inventory and what needs to be done to improve that. So, we've seen stuff progress in a good direction and hopefully, when I present in two of the four more years that we can see that the conditional bridges in Randolph County is better

than the state average. That's what we're working to. On first, as bridges go again we see a similar trend there. Pretty much matches what you see throughout the state. And in Randolph County, we have 16 bridges right now that are in a 12 month frequency inspection and that is because of their condition. So, back to that question about why the concrete box beam are the most common in Randolph County and why that's the most important. Well, if you look at that first bullet point, 42% of the bridges in Randolph County are that box beam and they were built after 1970. The reason we, if you look at that table below, you'll kind of see around 1970, there is a sharp increase in the number of bridges. So, if you look, right about 1970, you'll see that there's a sharp increase in the number of the bridges. We typically see that in the counties because in 1973, the Feds required that bridges begin to be inspected. And then in 78 they required that anything over 20 feet be inspected. So, you have inspectors go out into the field and they found all of these bridges typically in rural areas like this that were constructed by farmers so they were timber or other things and the engineers, they couldn't approve them. So, they had to be replaced. And in Randolph County, it seems like the most popular thing, probably the best of value, type of construction was that concrete box beam. So, the problem is that for that type of design, the life span is typically about 50 years, and that's from research based out of Michigan. And so, that means that since you had this glut of bridges starting to develop over that time, if you look, I kind of drew a bar on the top, and right now in 2025, so you are starting to see a lot of them come due. And that kind of creates the problem that SJCA is aware of, which is I won't go through all the bridges specifically, but you'll see right now, to replace all the bridges that we're recommending, it's about 20.8 million dollars. And then if you flip over to the next page, you'll see that the rehab work is about 7.4 million dollars. So, altogether, you're looking at about \$28,000,000.00 with replacement and rehab work.

Gary said in what time frame?

Ronald Munoz said in time frame? So, the time frame is something that we work with, Joe Copeland and Perry in order to kind of put together a strategy. And we realize the budget constraints, the social priorities based on where the bridge is and how much traffic goes over it. And so, you'll see that based on work that Perry's done, Joe Copeland, and those lists that I Presented is kind of in order. And so, we realize that sometimes you can't get the stuff right away. Because of constraints.

Gary said what's the normal time frame on a list of, are you telling us that in a 5-year rotation, we should be rolling through all of this?

Ronald Munoz said I mean, I would sleep better at night, the quicker that you can get through this and so yeah, 5 years would be a good plan.

Gary said what would be a normal plan in Indiana?

Ronald Munoz said we realize that there are constraints. Again, that depends on what county you are in.

Gary said what's an acceptable plan for engineers?

Ronald Munoz said I would say if you can aim for 5 years, I call good strategy.

Gary said and that would be 5 ½ million dollars a year and we can expect some of that be Federal grant reimbursement to do such?

Ronald Munoz said correct. And that's why we have Perry here, marketing department.

Gary said the reason I asked the question, if we're going to accept the reality of our bridges, we've got to accept putting a plan together that has a financial tag that we have to see what we can actually do.

Perry Knox said several of the bridges that are on the list are currently under design and being funded through Federal aid so, several of them are already in the program. On the replacement list, he does show that goes to the year 2032, and then on the rehabilitation, he goes to 2030.

Gary said okay. Go ahead, I'm sorry. I just want to get my mind set on it.

Ronald Munoz said yeah, no, it's okay. It's not a problem that just Randolph is struggling with. I mean, the other counties then across the state. And we need more money for infrastructure. So, all of this said if you turn to bullet 5, then we've got, depending on which one you have, there's a typo but there's a total of 28.3 million dollars in replacement and rehabilitation that is coming due in Randolph County. Like I said, we've got a department that is working with the highway department to strategize and make sure that we're going to the right place when I come here four years again to present the results of our findings that see an improvement. With that, are there any questions?

Gary said well that's a great report. I mean, it's not comfortable to be in the same spot in Indiana, but it also says that we're doing our due diligence the best that we can. This thing here, this cost that you're putting on, does that include engineering fees?

Ronald Munoz said no. The cost for that doesn't.

Gary said what would be the, what would be expected, the engineering fees on 28 million dollars' worth of bridge work? That's reality to us, because we have to pay the engineering fees.

Ronald Munoz said correct.

Gary said what would that number look like?

Perry Knox said 15%.

Ronald Munoz said yeah, 15, 20%.

Gary said 15%?

Perry said typically, that's, there's a plus or minus there.

Gary said yeah, of course.

Perry said and I will say too, like just glancing at this for example, your, you know, the replacement list, I just noticed number 12, which is bridge 304, I mean, that's under construction right now. So, some of these bridges are under construction.

Joe Copeland said 250 was just finished.

Perry said some are under design, so.

Joe Copeland said yeah.

Perry said some of these are already in the process.

Joe Copeland said we just, we did just receive word that bridge 114, the steel truss was approved pending submittal of ADA and Title 6 requirements, and they have to be approved downtown at the state before they will award us the money. And, is the state telling us what we're short on or what we don't know? They're not telling us. That really bothers me that they expect us to just pull this out of the air and submit it. So, yeah, I'm going to make some phone calls.

Gary said my final question, I appreciate this report. It's really comprehensive, and Perry you're working on that, where are we at on track, or how far below the bar are we? Are we at the bar or maybe above the bar?

Joe Copeland said I, my opinion right now, with all the bridges you had that were had when I came on, I think we're working well. I think we're moving along really well. They're currently working on an overlay on bridge 151 on 1000 West right now. So, I mean, we just finished 2 others. So, I mean, we're getting those overlays knocked out. Now, the next thing I need for them to do is go out to these box beam bridges. Some of them have no wearing surface on them whatsoever, or some of them have an asphalt wearing surface, which is bad. Water is the critical element here that really destroys those box beams. And most of them, I think, are prestressed box beams.

Ronald Munoz said correct.

Joe Copeland said I don't know we have too many pre-cast, but, and water will deteriorate those fast, especially with asphalt. Holds moisture between the concrete and the asphalt, and destroys them.

Perry said and I will also add that Joe has taken on quite a few, and I don't know how many. We have a push pin map in his office. He's put together bundling for your annual bids to do bridge preservation projects that have not involved engineering fees. They have not, we have not submitted fees on a lot of his projects. And those bridge preservation projects will extend the life of those bridges and get them off these lists.

Gary said well, I'm not mad at engineers by any stretch. I just know a lot of the funding.

Perry said oh sure. But I think that 15% is.

Gary said when you're braiding funding together, engineering sometimes is ignored in the totals, not like you, but without it, there is no bridge.

Perry said that's why I say 15% might be a little high, because Joe has taken, as an overall view, it might be a little high because he's taken care of quite a bit.

Joe Copeland said I take care of the overlays and box beam bridges. I'm going to try to save as many of them as we can.

Perry said I can remember talking to Joe, it's been 5 years ago when Randolph County received a letter from INDOT there were 42 structurally deficient bridges in the county, and that number has come way down.

Ronald Munoz said yeah, like I said, we have definitely seen an improvement in inventory here.

Gary said great. Tom, do you have anything?

Tom said I do not.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said no.

Gary said great.

Ronald Munoz said thank you.

Gary said thank you. Do you guys have any more business for us?

Perry said Mike Hoy is our project manager here to talk about any questions that you might have concerning the quarry road and the task order.

Gary said well, on the quarry road, it's going to be discussed tonight in the joint session about the funding and of course, we're going to need the council on board with this. There is some concern that was brought up about US Ag say that it would be 2 years before they may get to using the new road, which is not going to work for the outlay that we're going to put out. We're going to want to find a way that they get on it right away. I asked Chad Roots from US Ag to talk to his people about right west of the S curves, coming off there and getting on their own driveway on their own property. It's a mining operation, they build roads to the mines. And he had mentioned then that there's a couple county drains that we're going to have to contend with. Ed's not here right now. Well speak to Ed later or not, but we'll get to that. I think, this particular road, we've got a situation we're going to have you know, 10,000 trucks a year coming in and

out of there. One of our big concerns to me is how fast can we get INDOT to make that approach safe on Highway 1? Slow the traffic down, put blinkers up, whatever. Can you guys assist in pushing that forward quicker?

Perry said Mike has a lot of experience. He worked for INDOT and a lot of connections. Do you have a comment?

Mike said yeah, it's going to be critical to sit down with them in the near future.

Gary said is there any mechanism to have them not wait on traffic data? I mean, it's like nothing gets, I get what they're coming from when it's the data, but we don't want to have a terrible collision out there to prove a point.

Joe Copeland said I don't think, in my opinion, anymore, with INDOT is kind of like reactive, instead of proactive. And I don't think they'll do anything until they see some results.

Gary said so with us, what can we do on the proactive side? Are we allowed, is it even feasible to put yellow lights up high on our own right-a-way to alert oncoming traffic? Does it even make sense?

Joe Copeland said we can sign it, I mean.

Gary said not on a state highway, though.

Joe Copeland said oh no, you can't do that, not without a permit. They may allow us with a permit, but we'll have to submit it to the state.

Gary said I guess that's going to, I mean that particular situation is going to be a topic of discussion because there's been some talk, I've been talking to the council members, going all the way down to 700 and coming out. 700 is not an ideal entrance at the Highway 1 either. It's just a little better. But it's not without risk. So, I don't know, we've just got a situation there on that. As far as them getting the road built, I know you're going to see if you can do some value engineering and maybe it will come in a little less than 2.4 million dollars to get around there, depending on how you develop the S curves and what not. So, is that, are we still at that?

Mike said yes. I think we're at a point where with Joe's blessing that we could approach INDOT and tell them what we believe is coming and get their input and that way you're going to be clear on what their expectation is.

Gary said that would be great.

Mike said there are some limited sight distance, stopping sight distance at existing 800.

Gary said yeah. We can't get the road further north because of the Mississinewa River flood zone.

Mike said right. So, again, I think it would be worthwhile to push that button and set up a meeting with them and talk about where we're at and get their initial feedback.

Gary said yeah. Maybe tell them it's not a temporary, I mean, they first said it was a 50-year mining operation. Now, they're extending it. There's a lot of mining going to go out there. And we need it in Randolph County. We need the stone quarry.

Mike said there're some mechanisms there that we can help mitigate that short stopping sight distance there, yeah.

Gary said it would be helpful to present to the council tonight at our joint meeting too.

Mike said you can do signage. You can put up some extra pavement for people to have the ability to around a stopped vehicle, things like that.

Gary said on the state right-a-way?

Mike said on the state route, right, yeah, State Road 1.

Gary said is that something they would ask Randolph County to fund or if they take it on, they pay for it?

Mike said more than likely, they're going to ask you first, just because you know, they're, short of money too. So, they're going to say this is driven locally, and not necessarily for their regional network, you know. We all share the roads, so, and we all share the funding. So, it, but if you don't ask, you know, they're not going to give you anything. So, my recommendation would be for them to partner in and pay for any improvements on their state right-a-way.

Gary said Tom, you have anything?

Tom said I don't.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said no, not right now.

Gary said what do you have further on this that you could help us? What are you seeing?

Mike said uh, well, you know the last meeting we presented the cost and we went with the just the 800, you know, not doing work on the 1,000 so, what you have here matches the numbers. So, obviously, if you guys still need to think about that, I would recommend that you don't execute that until you feel comfortable to do that. I mean, we do have task order 6 that's been executed. And we do have money to be able to move forward with coordinated with INDOT to better understand what that last piece would look like. I think that's the only unknown. Obviously, if you're looking at another county road, we're not going to move forward with, any

extra work on 800 right now until you guys would tell us that 800 is a go or 800 is a no go. We don't want to spend any of your money without getting a return for it.

Gary said well, for me, and it's going to be the commissioners' ultimate decision, and the council of course, can say well we're not going to fund it. I get that. But I am not going down 1000, me personally. It's just not the way to go in my opinion.

Mike said I think it's worthwhile to ask for a memorandum of understanding with the quarry and get them to show commitment. Also, before you would even consider letting the project, they need to show some kind of financial skin in the game.

Gary said who's that?

Mike said where they view the quarry.

Gary said oh, they're going to put skin in the game.

Mike said ask and receive of then buying the new scales.

Gary said I think that'll be discussed tonight.

Mike said and that way, you can see it, obviously, you know, you let the job according to when they're going to build their new approach. You know, what's the point of putting in the new road before the approach is ready to be used?

Gary said so, this task order 8 here, we ought to have tonight's meeting before we move forward with this, that's correct? Tom?

Tom said I agree.

Gary said Missy?

Missy said I agree.

Gary said okay. I'm glad the stone quarry is here. I just kind of wish they were still operating out of Ridgeville. We'll take care of that road now, 28 anyway. Alright, Missy, anything?

Missy said yeah, I do have a couple of things, sorry, just a second here. First of all, the Winchester Speedway wanted me to give you just a little bit of an update. They have made major improvements out there, as I think people can see when they kind of go by. We had a regional meeting in New Castle, and I'm usually frustrated with those when I leave, but last three weeks, two weeks ago, Brian Sheehan is a consultant not and some others came in. We kind of talked a little bit before about bringing some topic up so the meeting had some substance to it. And so, the meeting went really well, because we were talking about what are we all doing with blighted properties. I know Mayor McCoy and city manager Steve Shoemaker, Union City, has brought up the frustration of dilapidated houses and buildings and nothing getting done. So, we

had a long, a very good discussion on that. So, it seemed like the meeting had a little more to it because there's some frustration, you know. So, several people had kind of decided bring up topics and come, so it's something that meets everybody. But the speedway is making great improvements. They put led lights up for race nights. They've remodeled their gift shop. Their, it's called Weldon emergency lighting like the NASCAR people have. They've removed the top layer of the, used to be where you, it's in the middle of the track, there's a building there. They knocked off the top layer so every spectator can see all the way down the backstretch, which has been a complaint probably for 50 years, but that is now fixed. Ohio Valley Gas is running new gas lines to the concession stands so those are really improving. But they also have some of the ownership, small ownership of Indy 500 are going to be coming in and doing things. But they've got a really good lineup set up that I think is going to make a big difference for them. But other than that, that's good. But it was a good meeting in New Castle the last time.

Gary said okay, is this all about economic development or subject to SJCA's a question for them?

Missy said oh no, I don't have a question. Well, I do, because I'm just questioning which way to go, I mean, I don't know anything about roads, but I've gone there and driven out there, will they use that new road if they can go down the other road and it's how they're getting out of there now? I mean, that's an open-ended question. Who knows?

Mike said you need a commitment from them. I mean, why put any money into any road if they're not going to use it.

Missy said that's what I wanted to hear.

Mike said if you have to, you can put weight restrictions on the other roads and the only way they can go in and out is how you want to direct them?

Gary said they tend to be good partners with us, they do.

Missy said yes.

Joe Copeland said that's another point that if they do bring an access road down to the curves for their plan, then do we actually need 800 North to the west?

Gary said no, not past the curves.

Joe Copeland said right. Do away with it.

Gary said right.

Mike said that's part of that value engineering that we could reduce some money in. It only goes to where they're bringing it in at. It doesn't make any sense to reconstruct the road where the trucks aren't going to drive, but we'll make it safe. You know, we want to make sure everyone can see the approach, everyone can see in and out from the truck drivers and so forth, school buses can see. So, that's what's key to us, make sure it's safe.

Gary said yeah, and I've talked to Joe a little bit too. I'm at the point of putting two balusters in the middle of the road where only a pop can get through. We can force. I spoke to Chad Roots from US Aggregates and they're going to be good partners with us. They're not going to be astray from this. They understand, so.

Joe Copeland said alright.

Gary said Tom, you have anything else?

Tom said no.

Gary said you folks have anything for us? I appreciate all your work.

Missy said go to the Winchester Speedway.

Gary said what are we supposed to do with those?

Laura said we have one back there in those cabinets.

Gary said one stays here and one goes out to the highway department?

Perry said yes. And then there're some flash drives which is what that's.

Gary said this is the entire bridge inventory, the status of every bridge in Randolph County?

Perry said correct, every bridge.

Mike said there are two master's and two flash drives.

Perry said yeah, so these flash drives they have this full book, so if you wanted to put them on your pcs, and then you would have access to them. And they're in that book back here.

Gary said thank you everybody.

Citizen Comments (Limit 3 Minutes)

Gary said we are down now to the citizen comments. Is anybody here like to have 3 minutes of time with the commissioners? If so, please come forward. Okay. Missy, have you got anything?

Missy said I do. I want to discuss real quickly, the cars at the Health Department, Sherri, would you mind coming up just for a second? I asked a couple of months ago, what the mileage was on those cars, and I don't think they're being used all that often. And so, I'm wanting to propose that we bring one of those cars back to the county for county use as people travel to meetings in whatever. They get a lot better gas mileage then what you turn a claim in for probably.

Gary said we have to buy it.

Missy said huh?

Gary said we have to buy it back. We have to buy it back, give the funding back to the Health Department.

Missy said yeah.

Gary said would that be right Meeks?

Meeks said if you sell a car, it would go back to whoever, whatever fund it went to.

Laura said but if we repurpose the car.

Missy said repurpose it.

Meeks said yeah, you can repurpose it.

Laura said and not pay the Health Department funding back?

Meeks said until you sold the car. I guess repurpose it within the county you can.

Laura said yeah.

Missy said right.

Gary said again my question is the Health Department funds, the new funds that bought the cars, if we remove one from them, by a commissioner asking.

Meeks said was it just in the Health line or?

Laura said I think it was from the Health First funding.

Sherri Thompson said I don't think so. I think it was out of the county fund because it was part of the COVID money that we brought in for doing.

Missy said yeah. I think, because they don't use them all that often, or both of them aren't out all the time, right?

Sherri Thompson said no, not all the time.

Gary said are there three of them?

Sherri Thompson said there's two.

Missy said but that one had 1,000 miles on it and the other had like 1,200 miles on it. So, I just think repurposing it might give some people an option not to have to drive their own, wear and tear on their own vehicle after going to a meeting or something.

Sherri Thompson said then we would have to wear and tear on our vehicles to go to our meetings when we go.

Missy said yeah, and if you needed them, we could have a sheet where we knew who was going to take them and when. Every time I've been there, anytime of the day, they're always both sitting there. So, I'm not sure they're being used much. I've seen two of the employees driving their own vehicles around town.

Sherri Thompson said well, if it's anything personal, they will drive their own vehicle. They don't, and it doesn't get taken home or anything like that.

Missy said yeah.

Gary said okay. Can you give us some time to think about that?

Missy said sure, absolutely.

Gary said alright.

Missy said that's it. I already told you everything at the wrong time.

Gary said Meeks?

Meeks said I don't have anything. I did have one, sorry, I say that. Laura, are we up and running on YouTube or wherever now or?

Laura said no. They're coming Thursday to get us set up. So, before the next meeting they are trying, if everything goes well Thursday.

Gary said July 1st, right?

Meeks said July 1st. I didn't think they were up.

Laura said no, I have them come so we could do a trial before. So, hopefully, like I said, they come Thursday, so hopefully we'll get it up and running.

Gary said Laura, do you have anything?

Laura said no.

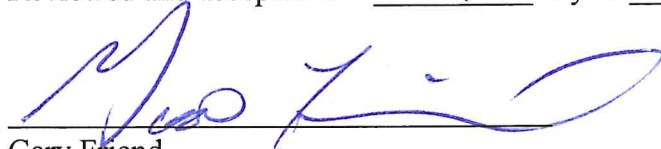
Gary said I do not either.

Adjournment

Gary said somebody want to make a motion to adjourn?

Missy made a motion to adjourn. Tom seconded the motion. All aye votes. Meeting adjourned.

Reviewed and accepted this 7 day of July, 2025



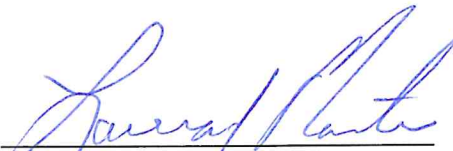
Gary Friend



Tom Kerns



Missy Williams

ATTESTED: 

Laura J Martin, Auditor