

## Randolph County Commissioners

September 6, 2022

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

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Michael Wickersham, President presided over the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

### **Mindy Peed & Stephanie Ward – Reprecincting and Maximus agreement**

Mike said we've adjusted our agenda a little bit. The first item I've moved up is Mindy Peed and Stephani Ward from the clerk's office talking about Reprecincting and the maximus agreement.

Stephanie said so the city has annexed some land west of the golf course. And we need to submit a proposal to the state to reprecinct that, it's currently in White River One. It'll be moving to Winchester three. It's marked on your map.

Mike said okay so the purple is our White River One now.

Mindy said that is correct.

Mike and the little black area above the Winchester Golf Club in the purple is going into the other color.

Mindy said that is correct.

Mike said the orange.

Mindy said that pinkish color is Winchester Three.

Mike said salmon. Okay. That's the only change we're making.

Mindy said yes.

Mike said okay.

Tom said and all of this, all parts of Winchester go in this 2<sup>nd</sup> congressional district now, is that correct. Jim Banks district.

Mindy said it's three.

Tom said or three congressional district.

Mindy said yes.

Tom said okay.

Mike said all of Winchester and everything in the county north of 32, and all of Union City too.

Mindy said its, half of Union City, well all of Union City, I'm sorry, half of Wayne, so we just split Wayne into two.

Mike said just like White River One and Two are split. So, this is, this doesn't have anything to do with this morning, but I live on old 27 South so I'm in the purple. Am I in One.

Stephanie said you are in One, yes.

Mike said so Banks is my representative. Does anybody know Banks. If you go on his website and plug in your zip code, it doesn't allow you to give him any comments or emails, he doesn't recognize us.

Tom said well he's not official until January.

Mike said you still would think he would want to hear what we have to say. So, we need to pass this order establishing precincts.

Mindy said yes please.

Mike said I think we received a copy of this via email. Everyone have a chance to review it.

Gary said yes.

Mike said you've heard the explanation of the change. I would entertain a motion to pass this order establishing precincts.

Tom made a motion to approve the order establishing precincts. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said we have the maximus contract, which is an annual or three-year renewal. It supports our clerk's office and the child support collections.

Stephanie said the Title 4D incentive claiming. Yes.

Mike said anything different to this contract other than the fee.

Stephanie said no the fee is the same too.

Mike said fee is the same, so that would be \$200 a year for three years. Anything you want to share with us about it.

Mindy said no. It's the same thing. We really enjoyed their service.

Mike said I'd entertain a motion to approve this service agreement with maximus.

Gary made a motion to approve the Maximus agreement. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Joe Copeland – plan for 500 W project & SJCA Task order No. 16**

Mike said next item is Joe Copeland. Joe I moved you up. Sorry I didn't get to tell you, but you've been moved up to second on the agenda.

Tom said you have a ten o'clock bridge meeting, is that correct.

Joe said no I'm good today. I have to measure some things out in the field so.

Tom said I thought today was the bridge meeting. That's tomorrow.

Mike said well we'll get you both back to work, not that this isn't work. First item listed here is a plan for 500 W project, which you sent us that spread sheet.

Joe said yeah.

Mike said I opened it up to the \$500,000 plus to repair that road, and I thought well that's pretty expensive. Then I realized there were two other attached there.

Joe said the alternative. I gave you four ideas, four prices for doing work. One was stabilization. That was the first one, with three inches of hot mix asphalt, and creating stone edge along the side of the road. Now we're inflating the prices a bit because who knows what asphalt prices are going to be next year. That's the problem. So, I figured that at about \$1,056,712, pretty pricey. Now here's the other problem, the soil stabilization is \$505,000 but because of the number two stone that was put in, they won't do it. It's pretty hard on your equipment when you are stabilizing that with cement. So, the twos probably would have to either come out or see if we could get a price from somebody else. But I kind of doubt it. The twos are a problem. They won't do it, if there's twos in there, they will not bring their equipment out and do the project, period.

Mike said so is that the four-inch pug.

Joe said no. No that's for stabilization with the three inches of asphalt.

Mike said oh okay.

Joe said yeah. So that's a million fifty-six.

Mike said once removing the two-inch stone or finding somebody else to do it.

Joe said right. If we can find someone. Mike called two different companies and got a return from one. That's Mount Carmel, out of Mount Carmel, Illinois. The other alternative, the next alternative is lay six inches of hot mix asphalt and put a stone edge along the side. That was one million, eighty-six thousand. We're estimating surface to be \$105 a ton next year. And base is \$95 a ton so you know, we're expecting additional increases. Another alternative is to lay 4 ½ inches of hot mix asphalt with a stone edge. That was \$814,566 based on those increased prices for next year. And then the last was to lay four inches of pug or cold mix and stone edging it. And that was \$572,000 but that did not include laying the material or trucking. So, the problem I had with the pug is I have real reservations about that material being able to hold up under the weight of those trucks. I'm afraid you're going to see some problems. I had, in Henry I had a road, a pretty major road from US 40 to I70. With the problems on I70, a lot of trucks used it. And two years ago, they laid an inch and a half of surface on another inch and a half of surface on that road, three-inch total. And it's showing signs of problems with that. I've got real doubts about the pug. In my opinion, I would, if the money was available, I'd lay 4 ½ inches of hot mix asphalt, stone edge it, and see what happens. Now, if the money is available, I would do it yet this year if contractors were available. That's the other question. Are they too busy to get to it? I think you may get a better price if you do it this year. Who knows what asphalt is going to do. But that's probably the way I would do it, just lay 4 ½ and go on. It would be an inch and a half of surface and three inches of intermediate.

Mike said at our last meeting, correct me if I'm wrong, but I think you indicated that what we've been doing out there in the soft spots seems to be working, except you don't, we don't have it all soft spotted, I guess is the best way to put that.

Joe said yeah.

Mike said and I think you suggested one option would be to peel all that off and just lay new gravel down, and let it settle in.

Joe said that is one alternative. Mike's got all the bad spots pretty much identified at this point in time, and taken care of.

Mike said that you know about.

Joe said yeah, that we know about.

Tom said and that's about \$150,000 so far.

Mike Haffner said yes.

Joe said if you remove the asphalt that's there now, and or grind it up, and then put additional stone on top of it, it might work. But if those areas of hard asphalt are still okay, leave them.

Pave right over the top of them. I had a road in Madison that they stabilized part of it, and then they chip and sealed it. It was one of the roughest roads around. You have to pave it if you still stabilize it, so I went in and looked over, they were going to do another mile and a half the following year, and I paved it. I just went over the top of the existing asphalt and paved it. And it held up. So, if I remember correctly, I put some asphalt on existing roads in Henry to several locations of hog operations, and large green storage facilities, and I believe I used four inches at the time, hot mix. And it's holding up so far. But the problem with doing it now, if you have the money, doing it now, is we got to hurry. We got to hurry to get a bid out, got to get it advertised, the specifications, I can do in a half day. Alright, no problem. But the advertising is the thing we got to hit and get a bid. I would like to, if we went that way, I would put an alternative in there to use a different type of asphalt, liquid asphalt in the mix. There's a type, in the state's specifications, there's a type A, B, C and D mix. A is the low end, and most people don't even use it. I expect would be for rural county roads. And they use a standard liquid in the mix. The next step up, a C uses a harder asphalt, and D the same way, except they get into the aggregate on exactly what aggregate they are using. They're more particular about the aggregate, okay. So, but the C use of what they call a PG76-22, or a 70-22, and that's what you usually see around truck stops, because of the turning movements and all the weight that's always coming in and out. And that's the type of mix. So, if we were to bid it, I would ask for an alternative for how much it would cost additionally to use it special mix.

Tom said that big a project, you might get a pretty good deal on it you think.

Joe said yeah. The problem with using mix, it may cost a little more, but it's timing, the plant, the asphalt plants have to bring in special asphalt, and it's something they're not typically running. So, they've got to shut their plant down with the regular mix to bring in the special mix on a tanker to be able to run it. Now if they would do that doing in state work, then it may be the same mix anyway, so. It's probably a C or a D.

Tom said but at the end of the season, it might be easier for them to do something like that.

Joe said well yeah and you may catch some price before it takes another hike. You don't know. I received bids in May in Henry, and my surface prices was around \$93 dollars a ton. We're estimating about 104, 105.

Mike said so you qualified doing the 4 ½ inch if we have the funds. How much does the highway department have to contribute towards this project?

Mike Haffner said Jessica and I've worked on budgets for what we have available, and she's coming up with we have approximately one million to one point one. But we ear tagged a lot of that money for those bridges and all these small structures. So, if we burn through that, then he won't be able to put these small structures in.

Mike said so is this your fund 1173.

Mike Haffner said yes. I know it shows we got a lot more but that's.

Mike said a million, fifteen thousand is what it shows available.

Mike Haffner said yeah we got, but we been using all we can in that 73. So yes, we do have it, but we want to be careful how we use it.

Mike said how much can you contribute towards it.

Mike Haffner said we've got this and Joe's got a projected plan for over \$2,000,000 of structures within the next two or three years. So where do we use this extra million at you know. Do you put it on a road or do you put it into small structures? That's the lesser of two evils. You know, if we burn it up on three miles of road, then how are we going to fund his projects when we start shutting roads down.

Mike said so are you saying in your opinion we shouldn't put anything towards this from the highway department.

Mike Haffner said no I think we need to do something.

Mike said let's step back. So, let's say we want to do the recommended best way to fix it. Do you have any funds you can put towards this this year?

Mike Haffner said we would have, yes, we don't really have any funds that's already not allocated. Now we've got carryover funds if we choose to use them for this project we have available.

Mike said and how much do you think we should choose to use for this project of your highway funds, or is that something you want to look at and get back to us on.

Mike Haffner said Joe and I and Jessica and I, we've been talking. Ultimately to do both projects, we're going to have to start looking at possible windmill money.

Mike said I understand that fully. I'm trying to get to the number that we would be looking at for I mean do you have \$200,000 do you have \$250,000.

Mike Haffner said yes we can.

Mike said if I'm putting you on the spot, say so.

Mike Haffner said it'll, we have a whole million dollars.

Mike said I understand that. But you don't want to spend it. And I don't either. And I don't think anybody else up here does either.

Tom said there's a lot of roads closed.

Mike Haffner said but you know, I think we can come up with \$400,000. Again, we can bring it up, I think that would be a compromise. You know, we've got money coming in. Now we do have, and this is a question, we have more money available in the landfill host fees, and we're really trying to find places that qualify. Now if we, 500 West is really right now, potentially not a thorough road, but you put pavement, you could easily say 500 West is going to be a new thorough road, because all the traffic is probably going to start hopping on that road to travel. So, there's a chance you know, we'd be able to use landfill host fees, and we've got plenty of money you know, in that. We could probably spare another \$400,000 or better in that. But it's, that would be a Meeks interpreting and the commissioners would have to basically approve this road now being a thorough road. Then we would have more assets from another fund that would qualify. So, and that's what I'm kind of suggesting that if we do this extensively, especially you've got another mile to finish it out to, you know, another mile that would just take a small cover of maybe chip and seal, very minor money, and then we can call this a thorough road and use landfill host, as well as some 73. And there's a strong possibility, it wouldn't hurt Joe's bottom line as hard if we can use the landfill host fee. So, if you guys would consider turning that in as a qualifying road.

Tom said if we put that much asphalt on the road.

Mike Haffner said if you put that much asphalt, you're basically creating a major road north and south. So that would help if, and then we can pull another 4 or 500,000 out of that and theoretically we can have enough money within our own highway funds to do this project.

Mike said so taking a step back, if we don't have the funds to do this, what do you guys recommend we do out there.

Joe said try to keep it graded and smooth as you can for the time being. Patch any holes that appear. If more soft spots show up, dig them out.

Mike said just continue to do what we've been doing.

Joe said just do it, just continue.

Mike said you have any other questions. Gary do you have any thoughts.

Gary said well there's issues with that road, but we also have some things we've been working on, at least I'd be concerned about is the small structures. And I've been leaning that way for a couple years of trying to get that. And Joe's pulled together some figures that we've got now, which we haven't had. And that gives us something to look towards. I'm leaning a little more toward Joe's recommendation is if we continue on doing what we're doing for a while, until we see where we're at in moving on some of these small structures. I know we have to keep this road passable. I know there's issues with it, but then we've got a number of others that we have similar situations, maybe not as bad, but similar. But these small structures are just not in one area. We've got them all over. And we know that they're an issue. And we know that we've got to correct some of them. And that's why, in my opinion, over the last year or two, we looked

at these and tried to prioritize them as top of the list. And now we're looking at putting this project in the mix of that. And I'm not.

Mike Haffner said if I can make a suggestion, Joe's got a couple other structures that's going to be major hitters that maybe we should at least have him share that before we make a decision on 500.

Joe said there have been two roads closed because of structures that were in bad condition. The two are on, one is on 250 East, north of 300 North, and the other one is on 700 North between 2 and 300 West. I have a way to repair or replace the one on 250 East. It's going to require precast concrete block. I'm saying it shouldn't exceed a \$100,000. But it's, the culvert is on a 45-degree skew, which makes the culvert even longer. It'll probably be around 54 feet is what, I got to go out and measure it for sure.

Mike Haffner said what about installation.

Joe said well installation I figure, hopefully, I can get the culvert for around \$40,000, 45, and then installation, we're going to have to have a crane to set it. So, hoping 50, 60,000 should cover that. The one on 700 North is a big ditch. It's about twice as much water volume as there is on 250 East. That's going to require a bridge. The top of the bank, the top of bank on that structure is about 40 feet. So, I'm figuring probably a bridge for that one. And that use my, what I've been using, about \$300,000 to put a steel bridge decking on it. And try to keep the cost down. So, between the two of them, we're talking up to maybe \$400,000 for them two. I'd like to get the one on, if we could get the funding going, on 250 East. Prescott farm is just north of this, and I'd like to get that open here. It's all going to depend on how fast they can get that precast concrete to us if he has enough.

Mike said well it sounds as if you have the money, whether you want to spend it on that or not.

Mike Haffner said yes.

Mike said and I guess a closed road is more valuable than a road that's rough. I guess more important, not valuable. So, and I guess my thought is if we're going to spend anything on 500 West, we probably should not delete all of our highway funds on it. I would agree with that. I guess what I don't know is, of the one million plus that you have available in 1173, and this shows one million available in the host fee, I don't know if that's true or not.

Mike Haffner said yes.

Mike said how you plan to spend that two million dollars. I don't have a full picture of that.

Mike Haffner said host fees is a little harder because 700 and 250, neither one of them roads would ever qualify to be able to use host fees. 500 now again, there's a significant amount in there, and that money can be used for 500.

Mike said is that restriction on landfill host fees, is that in the original contract.



Mike Haffner said there's a state statute.

Mike said state statute.

Mike Haffner said yeah. And we could use that.

Mike said we'd have to declare 500 as a thoroughfare.

Mike Haffner said if you would qualify it as a thoroughfare, we would be able to use that.

Mike said do you know site, what State statute that is. Can you find that for us?

Meeks said yeah I can.

Mike said if you can find that, that would be great.

Tom said when is the last time you used money out of the host fee.

Mike Haffner said oh we've used it this year even. You know, we've got some structures, we got nine structures, that is a major thorough road so we've been able to pave all the stuff out of that one. The 1000 South structure we put in just east of 1, we was able to use host fees as well. So yeah it's not going to take long, because a lot of these structures are on major thorough roads.

Mike said so if you could share our plan with us how are you going to spend that two million dollars then that would be helpful.

Mike Haffner said okay.

Mike said then I'd say we just continue to look at, continue to march on 500 West as we've been doing it, and until we come up with a better, the money to do a better alternative.

Tom said and that pretty much effectively doesn't do anything this year. I mean, it'll be pretty late to try to do things in two weeks. Can we still, we still have two weeks to do that, can we put bids out, or is that just too late.

Joe said I was talking to Mike earlier this morning about advertising. And I guess that the local papers do not publish except twice a month.

Meeks said twice a week.

Joe said or twice a week.

Meeks said you have to get that about ten days before.

Joe said ten days.

Meeks said yeah.

Joe said so ten days behind. Ten days, and then I have the first advertisement, and then I have to wait 7 days, another advertisement. And then a bid can be 7 days after that.

Mike said it would be mid-October.

Joe said yes.

Mike said makes us too late.

Joe said that's tight. Plants would probably close Thanksgiving usually. I can make some phone calls and see if Milestone or E & B or Brooks can fit it in. That's the next question.

Mike said well I'm in favor of waiting. I guess, I don't see where we've got the money to do it.

Gary said well I think, in my opinion, we need more information before we make a decision in order to push forward. In another two or three weeks, it's going to be out of the picture for this year in my opinion. You go through the whole bidding process, and then they're stacked back a few weeks, we're on the tail end of the list. They might say they can do it, but I've seen them say well I can do it, then they get into weather problems and not do it until next year.

Joe said the other problem that can come up is that, if they aren't, if they are busy, and they go ahead and bid it, contractors will bid it with the idea that okay, if I'm going to get it, I'm going to make some money on it. And they raise the price, knowing we're busy, but they'll fit it in.

Mike said any reason to divide this up, other than save money. Other than not have to expend this much this year. Do one mile or two miles, mile and a half, any reason to do that.

Joe said I don't know that I would do that. Here's another thing you could look at, is let the stone set for a year, into next year, let it get compacted well. And then come back and take a look at it and I mean, I don't know how well it would work, but give it a double or triple seal. You guys could do that. And then, all depends on what it looks like next year, next spring. In all the years I've done this, it's people always look at us, we want a long-range plan for the roads in the county. Very difficult to do. Almost impossible, because what you see in October and November, may be totally different in April and May, depending on weather and the moisture, and if we had information like the state does, it's easier to do. You know what's out there, you know when it was laid. You know what the conditions are. We don't have that opportunity.

Tom said well you might have some culverts or bridges go bad over the winter too that you hadn't counted on so.

Joe said I've got another four culverts, big ones, to design yet, and just besides the two I was telling you about. And some of them are going to be pretty good size. So, they could be a

\$100,000 plus. But the road, the road, if you have a contractor come in and do paving on the road, you can bet in this day today, it's going to cost you over \$200,000 a mile.

Mike said these are 275.

Mike Haffner said there's a possibility if we can purchase a paver that we can do the work ourselves and save a lot of this money.

Mike said okay. Well I'd say we just continue the way we are going right now. SJCA Task order No. 16.

Joe said yes the task order is for bridge 212 to assist in putting together a Federal Aid application, \$1,500.00 total, not to exceed.

Mike said and bridge 212.

Joe said 212 is in Union City. It's by the park, one by the park. There's a cemetery on one side and the park on the other one.

Mike said okay I think SJCA's did this for other two federal projects early on in the process with the same fee if I recall. So, I'd entertain a motion.

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

Mike said anything else Joe.

Joe said yeah I got one more. Do you want me to say a few things about bridge 284 on 750 West?

Mike said sure. Is Rachel Downing here.

Tom said yeah Rachel is here and her brother.

Mike said Rachel do you want to come up. Maybe you can hear a little better.

**Rachel Downing & Gina Downing – Bridge closing on 750 W**

Regina Downing said I'm Gina Downing.

Mike said hi Gina. Okay.

Joe said bridge 284, had to be closed. There's one member on that bridge that's completely, there's a piece of it completely gone, rusted away.

Mike said does that go long-ways or cross-ways.

Joe said I don't know.

Mike said okay.

Joe said I didn't, I have pictures. He sent me pictures, and it's bad. Okay. And the problem with these truss bridges, you lose a member, you could lose the whole thing. It's not like concrete. The bridge is on the historic INDOT list. It is non-select, okay, non-select historic. Very similar to bridge 114. Same thing.

Tom said that's the one on 300 South.

Joe said yes. Same thing, non-select. What we're doing with 114 now is the historic bridge alternatives analysis. You just can't go in and throw it, and get rid of it. You don't want to get in trouble with the Feds, you want Federal money. So, the bridge, historic bridge alternatives analysis for 114 is pretty well complete. If I remember right, that cost fifty some thousand I think to do that particular report.

Tom said did SJCA do that.

Joe said yes. So, if you want the bridge replaced, and we're going to have to do the analysis and submit it to INDOT and see what they say. Alright, and all that does, is give alternative for keep it, try to repair it, which I don't think it would be possible, you get an alternative for replacement and made a recommendation for which the county prefers to do. And send it to INDOT and see what kind of information we get back. If it was select, it would be really bad. We'd be in, it's that's really, really bad, okay. So, in going over the INDOT requirements, paragraph in there in the development process, it states that it's important to note FHWA will not participate in the demolition of a select bridge. In other words, you can just go in and tear it down. That's a select. All FHWA funding projects involving select bridges must preserve the bridge in the same manner. Non-select bridges may be replaced, if no avoidance alternative is determined to be feasible and prudent, or no alternative that poses the least harm to the bridge is determined to be feasible and prudent. So, an alternative analysis has to be done to determine what we can do with it.

Mike said so what's the status of bridge 114. Is the alternative analysis been done?

Joe said it's, it' in my office for review at this time.

Mike said so what's the next step on that.

Joe said submit it to INDOT.

Mike said and then you'd get an answer whether or not you can put an alternative in.

Joe said yeah.

Mike said so if we were to choose the same route for bridge 284, it's a risk that they may not accept that at a cost of the county \$56,000.00. They may not accept the alternative.

Joe said they may not.

Mike said so if they don't, what do we do then.

Joe said I think they will. There was a, there was a bridge in Henry county, I can't remember if it was select or non-select, it was before my time. And they elected to close the road and keep it closed. They did not open that up. That bridge, a portion of it is still standing. Some day it's going to be in Big Blue River. We're going to have to pull it out.

Mike said and is that what's going to happen to 114 if we don't have an alternative.

Joe said I would hope not.

Mike said what do we do.

Joe said well I'd have to look into more detail. I think that they would go along with it. I think the bridge 114 is in such disrepair, that I don't think we have a choice.

Mike said is that worse than 284.

Joe said I'm not sure it is.

Mike said it just seems a little, it doesn't make sense to me that if they're going to approve it, that we have to spend \$56,000 to prove to them that we have to approve it. That's a waste of money.

Joe said well here's the problem. If you don't do the analysis and you submit it asking for federal money to replace it, they could come back with a different alternative than what you put in for. In other words, we figure it's going to cost a million dollars and you put that in, you ask the feds for a million dollars, they give you a million dollars. And then they turn around and come back and say well no we want you to do this with it. So, it cost 1.2 or 1.5. And that's the problem. You need to have the analysis done so you know where we're heading.

Tom said do mitigating and safety circumstances, is that something, is there a place to add that in there, that this is creating a hazard on the highway 1 because of this bridge closure.

Gina Downing said that closure is causing extreme danger to a lot. We get more traffic down that road than you would imagine. I know you did a traffic study, but a lot of that is coming because they don't want to go out, people don't want to go out on 300, and they don't want to go out on 200 because of the hills. So, they come down to 100. But the traffic is amazing for no more houses than there are. I wanted to make sure that it's in the notes that closing that bridge is posing significant hazard to the population.

Rachel Downing said especially in the winter. In the winter on those routes, they don't ever get plowed.

Gina Downing said yeah and you've got the landfill traffic coming down, barreling down that road, and you cannot see. You stop and you look, and then you gun it is how you get out on the road.

Joe said I'm sure that would be in the analysis. I will make sure it's in there.

Gina Downing said I don't know, I don't know the actual history, but I've been told people have been killed there. I don't know that that's a fact.

Mike said how large a bridge is it.

Joe said 84 feet.

Gina Downing said well what about making it non-historic. Can you get it designated unhistorical? I mean right now, you've got gravel sitting on it, you've got poles sitting on it, you've got barrels sitting on it, and that's historic.

Tom said we've been down that road before.

Joe said it's the type of structure it is, is what makes it historic.

Mike said it's not our decision to do that.

Gina Downing said and I didn't know if we could, you could get it undesignated.

Mike said and there's no opportunity to repair this bridge.

Joe said I wouldn't think. I wouldn't want to try it but. It would be a very large expense to try to, you may end up having to replace 80% of the members. And you might have to rebuild the entire structure.

Gina Downing said is it closed to pedestrian traffic also.

Rachel Downing said well it's kind of hard with the gravel to be able to walk around it, then you have stakes.

Joe said well I'm figuring people are probably still walking across it.

Rachel Downing said the other safety concern for us is my house is right there next to the bridge and just last night, we have trucks parking down there now, hanging out. And fishing under the bridge, whatever it may be, without having traffic flowing through there, and now my driveway becomes the turn around. Not only that, when my kids go to school, what about buses, where are they going to turn around.

Gina Downing said trash trucks, where are they turning around.

Rachel Downing said the mail, they're all turning around in my driveway. And then you know, the people who are hanging down at the bridge, you know, that's strangers turning around in my driveway. I have a baby, going to have more kids, I don't appreciate it. So those are creating concerns for me.

Mike said the problem is if we go through the process of seeking an alternative to a non-select historic bridge, and then seek funding to do that, we're how many years out.

Joe said five or six I suspect.

Gina Downing said why is that. Why does it take that long? You say you have the report on your desk. How long did it take to get that report?

Joe said it started last year.

Mike said the report is just the beginning and then the state has to approve the alternative and then the funding source could take five or six years depending on where the funding source comes from.

Tom said we probably started three or four years ago on that bridge.

Gina Downing said so is there an alternative than going that route?

Mike said well that's what I'm just getting at, is what do you, what would you anticipate if that was a non-select project.

Gina Downing said I thought you said this was a non-select.

Joe said if we were to replace it locally.

Mike Haffner said it's historic, there's three classes.

Joe said if I went the cheapest way out I could do it, I'd put in a steel beam bridge with a steel grate deck. I looked at the prices for a 60-footer. A 60-footer is what did I say, \$180 some thousand dollars for a 60. And this is, this is going to be over \$200,000 just for the super structure, the main bridge itself.

Mike said if what I'm hearing is, bridge being out is creating multiple problems, and if our solution is to seek federal funding on it, it'll be five, six years before the problems are solved.

Gina Downing said that's a danger. That's a long time.

Mike said so I guess that doesn't really, it solves the problem, but I'm not sure it solves the problem for these families.

Gina Downing said or everybody whose driving down or pulling out. I don't know.

Rachel Downing said I mean there's more families it's just Tuesday morning to come here, it's not accessible for most people.

Mike said we normally meet on Monday and it's not accessible. So, I guess either way we go to fund this bridge, we have to have the non-historic or have to have the alternative to the historic.

Joe Copeland said I would say so because you don't want to get in trouble with the state and the feds. You don't want that.

Gina Downing said I may have missed something. Have you considered going, leaving it and going beside it.

Mike said we've done that with other bridges.

Gina Downing said we are on one side and I don't know about the other family on the other side but, there's.

Mike said part of that is you have to have land acquisitions and then you have to move the road.

Tom said so we could do that for \$350,000 probably, they would give us access to their land and then we put one beside it, it would be probably \$400,000.

Joe Copeland said I looked at using the existing foundation or substructure. It's too far gone. The report says it's too far gone. I looked at maybe the potential of using railroad flatcar. It's too long a span to use a railroad flatcar. Can't use that. The shoulder, I could probably put a couple of those in. So, I pretty much exhausted except tearing it out and replacing it.

Mike said and to do that we need to abide by the alternative that INDOT requires.

Joe Copeland said as far as I know, yes.

Rachel Downing said and an alternative to that would be you said just fixing the structure that's already there, but you said that's probably not possible.

Joe Copeland said you are rebuilding an entire bridge. You might as well just replace it.

Rachel Downing said so this is a five, six-year process. Then what, what do we do in the meantime. So, it's just there, it's just like that, the turnaround is still happening in our driveway. The danger is still there. So, what do we do.

Mike Haffner said the turnaround is also an issue because, we just found out that we immediately had to close this.

Gina Downing said yeah right. That's why there's just two of us here.



Rachel Downing said and we understand.

Mike Haffner said when we close roads, we have to have a turnaround just so we can service, I've got to service that road. Just because one section is gone, I'm still committed and obligated to service that road.

Gina Downing said yeah we still want snow removal.

Mike Haffner said so I'm going to have to have a turnaround spot for the highway side of things. So, and that's where I wanted you guys name because if you're property owners, we need to take a look at the highway's expense to maybe put in a proper turnaround. And we've done that in other places.

Rachel Downing said then you are looking at taking from our property, and then it's going to be right in our front yard then.

Mike Haffner said well I'm saying or somewhere. That's, I've got a starting point.

Tom said well you need a turnaround on both sides too wouldn't you.

Mike Haffner said yes, I'd have to have a turnaround on both sides.

Gina Downing said and to throw it out there, one of the reasons, one of the reasons it's going to get dangerous on one is that those hills. And we were told a few years ago, those were going to be flattened out, that that was of a project that never got done. My main concern is somebody is going to get killed there, and I don't want to not sit here and tell you that somebody's going to get killed there. Hopefully it's not some of my family or yours.

Tom said if we pass a resolution requesting INDOT to lower that hill, would that help anything, or would that move anything along.

Joe Copeland said your state senator and your state representative is probably your best way to go in my opinion.

Gina Downing said because there's two intersections there, 300 is just as bad. I know for a fact that the accidents there. I think 200 is probably worse than 300.

Tom said well I'd say it's worse yeah. You got a little more room to move or to speed up but, yeah.

Mike said two alternatives, one is, well three. One is to leave it closed. I don't think that's a good one. Two is to replace the bridge ourselves, at a lot less expense than seeking federal funding. And then I guess there's a middle ground, a Community Crossings grant that could be a potential funding source. Anyway, we do it, we'd have to begin with the historic bridge alternative analysis.

Gina Downing said yeah because one of the things from what, I didn't take the time to read all the paperwork on this, but I've read a lot of it. And I know one of the things they do is they can sell the bridge, and somebody use it somewhere else, which we saw, we've seen done in Albany. I don't know if anybody would want it. It's not that kind of bridge I wouldn't think.

Mike said well if it's got a main member missing, then it's probably not a lot of value, I don't think. I know a lot of them go on bike trails.

Rachel Downing said I know for our family at lease, we would like it to be accessible at some point. We're on opposite sides, family members. Our barns are right on the other side. We share equipment on both sides. Our mower, we can't even, now we've got to buy another mower or you've got to hook up the trailer, put the mower on the trailer, go around.

Gina Downing said and it's, there's lots of consideration.

Rachel Downing said not to mention you know, we walk back and forth. The gravel pit, use that as a campground. We're there all the time. I want back and forth. I take my daughter in her stroller across that bridge. So, if we can't even access it at all, minimum walking across, it's just, it's unfortunate. I mean our families are on opposite sides of the bridge, which that's nobody's fault, but for us, we would like for it to stay open. I mean our grandkids would like to walk to their grandparents' house. That would be great.

Mike said I don't know how that can be done. In a perfect world, that could be open for you only. But everybody else is going to use it and eventually that bridge is going to collapse and somebody's going to get hurt. I understand your concern about people getting hurt out there now. But I guess we're looking at the least risk, and that's why we close bridges.

Rachel Downing said but people will still walk across it. They, I mean, I walk I know it's a danger, but people will still go across it.

Mike said well the gravel is for that. So, you can, I guess you can walk across it, but you can't drive across it.

Rachel Downing said but they were before they put the stakes up, people were driving their four wheelers over it.

Mike Haffner said yeah, originally, we just blocked it off and they just threw everything out and drive through it.

Mike said I know we closed one lane out here on 100 West and people were parking on that bridge, and that wasn't a good situation because we, you don't want them on there. So, I guess the best I can offer this morning is to say go ahead Joe.

Joe Copeland said let me make a suggestion. How about I get with SJCA and see what kind of alternatives, talk with them, see what kind of alternatives we may have. And see what types of, I don't know what kind of flow we've got in that stream. Okay, I have not looked at it, you know,

we may be talking longer than an 80 some foot bridge now. It may be over a 100, okay. Talk with SJCA, come up with some alternatives that we can look at and bring those back at your next meeting. Will that work.

Mike said that works for me. I think in one of those, I guess, I don't know how much time it takes them to start preparing an alternative analysis work order. But that might be something we would want to consider.

Joe Copeland said I'll put that on the list

Mike said okay how long has the bridge been closed.

Joe Copeland said a couple of weeks.

Mike said okay. Do you have any other comments or questions?

Gina Downing said thank you. No. Thank you very much.

Mike said thank you for coming in. Is that all you have.

Joe Copeland said yes sir.

Mike said we're going to need to get out of here for a meeting. Have you got a paver issue you want to talk about?

**Mike Haffner – Purchase of paving equipment**

Mike Haffner said when we're talking paving, we have LOIT fund, 1228. There's approximately \$605,000.00 in that. And that can be used to buy equipment. I'm in the process of going around looking at pavers, and keep running into the same thing. Oh well, it just sold. We have a paver that we can purchase brand new. It will be in in December, but unfortunately, like everything else, from when Henry County bought a paver and until now, that price has went up about 100,000. So now this paver with a Sourcewell quote with all their discount, is \$523,891.00. And that's just the paver.

Mike said so what are you looking at for a used one, that you've been around and seen.

Mike Haffner said the used one was \$395,000.00 but it had 4,000 hours on it.

Tom said that's not a real good deal.

Mike Haffner said and it was a much larger paver than what we need. And I wouldn't have any way to transport in without hiring a lowboy.

Tom said each time you.

Mike Haffner said this is actually an 8 foot by, 8 foot clear out to 15 ½ foot, and then you can put extenders. And then like 500 West, you just throw extenders on and we can pretty much do a full pass with this if we wanted to. But it would be small enough to go around fixing our other spots.

Tom said bridges and decks.

Mike Haffner said so this is a good medium, you know, it's a caterpillar and yes, I'm looking at a Vogel too. But what we have to have is we need a signature to hold this stuff. And with Sourcewell, I guess what I'm after today is just to approve this LOIT fund to be able to not have to go to council, that we can at least sign a signature to be able to hold something to be able to purchase something.

Mike said will we use it.

Mike Haffner said yeah we'll use it. Now again, manpower and it's going to take management and everything else that we do not have today. But we need to be there. And if we've got all these projects moving forward, we have to get there. And I'm saying we're not there today, but we have to get a game plan. If we commit to something like this, that we have to get manpower, and we're going to have to get help management. You know, a road foreman or something that can help out on this project, because you know, I'm somewhat involved in all these structures in keeping things running. Joe can't do it all working two days a week. I'm already on calls on weekends and everything to help support projects that we've got going.

Mike said what fund are you talking about taking this out of.

Mike Haffner said it's the LOIT fund number 1228.

Mike said \$605,566 is what's in there.

Gary said what other equipment are you going to need.

Mike Haffner said a roller. You are going to have to have a roller and really you need a skid steerer with a small planer to do your butt joints. For example, 1200 West, we could have had that road open if we would have had, because they needed some minor milling done and we couldn't get that done. So basically, a roller, I've got a really good used roller, 66 inches wide for \$115,000. If you wanted a brand new one, you're about \$150,000. And then a skid steerer with a planer, you are going to be running about \$120 to \$140,000 on that. Now if we could get the paver and part of the roller, we can figure out how to buy the other equipment.

Tom said well you can't find a new Vogel or you can't buy a new Vogel for next spring or next year.

Mike Haffner said right now, they're projecting that unless somebody backs out of a deal that 2024, the spring of 2024. But you never know when something comes up.

Joe Copeland said I had a cat 655, one step bigger than this when I was in Hancock. They're still using it today as far as I know. And I'll say one thing about caterpillar, at least McCallister, their service is good. If you needed them, they were there. And they knew what they were doing.

Mike Haffner said I want to spend it on this paver at least get something started.

Laura said we will need an additional appropriation for that.

Mike said well he just wants to be able to sign off on it, given authority to do that. What do you think Tom?

Tom said yeah I thought we already had given the go ahead.

Mike said not a new one and not from this fund. What do you think Gary?

Gary said well I think we need to move forward.

Mike said is that good enough for you.

Mike Haffner said that's good enough.

Mike said okay I say we move forward then, fix all these culvert, paved roads. Anything else this morning.

Mike Haffner said no.

Joe Copeland said no. Thank you.

#### **Stacy White – Cancer Services of Randolph County – space at the RCFFO Building**

Mike said Stacy. Cancer Services of Randolph County, looking for space at the RCFFO Building.

Stacy White said I apologize for not being here at the commissioners meeting.

Mike said we don't mind people missing meetings. It shortens our meetings.

Stacy White, Sherry Prescott with Cancer Services of Randolph County. Wayne and Warren Hogg has sold their building to J.P.F. Holdings, Paul Faddis. And we were paying rent to Hoggs. We have been there since 2008, and now with the opportunity to find someplace else, Paul was putting us on month-to-month. So, we could be I guess, evicted at any time. Or if we have something else, we are to let them know and give them a month's notice. Jake showed us a couple rooms at the old hospital, and we found that we like room 806 and 807. It had a, I would call a waiting room, and then an office in the back where we can meet with clients. Where we are at now, is currently, it's not handicapped accessible. And we do have some clients that are not able to come and meet with us. We are only open right now, Fridays, from 1 to 3 to meet when clients come in. That is because we only have four volunteers.

Mike said so are you wanting to lease 806 and 807.

Stacy White said yes.

Mike said and then you'd like a longer term than month-to-month.

Stacy White said yes.

Mike said can I ask what you are paying for rent now.

Sherry Prescott said it is \$275. That covers everything, except our telephone. They pay for the heating and the air, and I don't know whatever, whatever else is, I don't know what the town of Winchester pays.

Mike said ours would be the same way, other than telephone.

Stacy White said we have own, we have a cell phone.

Mike said alright. I don't, I don't know how large those rooms are, and we didn't ask Jake to attend this morning. So, I guess I wouldn't be opposed to leasing that space to you. I don't know how Tom.

Tom said they're vacant now I assume.

Stacy said yes they are.

Mike said I think we just talk to Jake and find out how many square footage there are, and see what kind of a fair rent arrangement we can come up with. And I guess from my standpoint, I'd like to keep you as close to what you are paying now.

Sherry Prescott said we'd appreciate that because we try to make sure the rest of our money goes to our clients.

Stacy White said Jake gave me this. If that has the information on it.

Mike said thank you. It does. So that looks like 240 square feet. That's the way I read the two of these together. 24 by 10. Do you see that on there?

Tom said yeah. I mean we're, we're about 9 or \$10 a foot now aren't we.

Mike said yeah most of them look like they're \$10 a foot.

Tom said so that would, that should work out pretty well.

Mike said we were \$10. So that would be, want to see this Gary.

Tom said so we could do \$240 possibly if that's correct.

Mike said \$10 a square foot would be \$2,400.00 a year divided by 12, that would be \$200.

Tom said okay yeah that's right.

Mike said if we use \$10. Now we're talking about later on in the agenda, another lease.

Tom said that's a three-year lease.

Mike said so do you want to lease it to them for \$10.00 a square foot for a year.

Gary said say it comes out to \$200 roughly.

Mike said yeah I'm just looking at this YSB is paying \$10.07 for 384 square feet for a \$3867 a year, \$322.25 per month. So, this same space would be \$2400 per year or \$200 per month.

Gary said is the space adequate then.

Stacy said we believe it will be yes.

Gary said okay. I would say if the space is adequate and meets their needs, I would move that we lease it to them for \$200 a month.

Mike said okay. \$10 a square feet. Divided by \$200 a month. Second that.

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

Meeks said Laura will have the contract.

Stacy White said thank you.

Sherry Prescott said thank you.

Mike said I guess it was worth the wait then.

**Greg Beumer – 4-H Future Needs, renovations to Best Way Pavilion and construction of a new livestock show arena**

Mike said Greg Beumer, 4-H future needs, renovations to Best Way Pavilion and construction of a new livestock show arena.

Greg Beumer said commissioners, good morning. Mike Reed and I are here with the future needs committee of 4-H Incorporated. We met with you at your meeting in August. We met with the county council at their August meeting also. The county council did make a unanimous

commitment to commit \$650,000 to this project. We're here to see if you have any additional questions. And if we could in kind, get a commitment from the commissioners for that amount.

Mike said did the council indicate where, was it coming from rainy day funds, or where is that money coming from.

Greg Beumer said it was not a part of their motion.

Mike said so they didn't really say where that was coming from.

Greg Beumer said they did not, no.

Mike said well I think when you left our last meeting, you weren't here, but we did have a consensus that we were in favor of the project, and helping the project. And \$650,000 would be what you really need from the county, is that correct.

Greg Beumer said based on, and not to exceed, sort of an overall project cost.

Mike said you don't have that finalized yet either.

Greg Beumer said we have a number that we think it, we feel pretty confident it won't go over that.

Mike said that's the same number you shared at our last meeting.

Greg Beumer said yes.

Mike said for me, I think 4-H is a valued asset and it values everybody in the county obviously. So, I don't see, I guess, it's difficult to determine what the county council is thinking when they say we will support to \$650. I don't know if they are thinking Wind Farm funds or what.

Tom said that's about all I can think they would think. I don't know where else they would think.

Mike said ARPA funds.

Tom said yeah, or a combination maybe.

Mike said that would probably need further discussion on how we go about doing that. But I would be in favor of supporting this project to the amount of \$650,000.00 and determine where the funding is coming from at a later time.

Gary said that would be my suggestion. I would support it with continued discussion on the source.



Mike said the alternative of that is we could say we support it and want to use Wind Farm money for that. And then council at their meeting tomorrow, could determine that they want to use Wind Farm money for that. And then the money would be locked in. Or they could say no, and then we'd have to go find the money elsewhere.

Tom said do you have a naming rights along the buildings.

Greg Beumer said we have not. That would be part of the capital campaign. We wanted to use the Ready funds and the commitment from county government to show that hey, you know, we're over half way over the hump. So, we have not done that yet.

Tom said but you don't have any idea what it would cost to buy the name for the show arena.

Greg Beumer said we've had those discussions but I don't know that we've determined exact numbers yet.

Mike Reed said just in talking with some other counties and stuff, I mean usually on a show arena of the size of that building, that's usually a pretty large commitment, some type of business. And on a building like that it would, I would think would be between 3 and \$400,000 for naming rights you know, like a life time thing.

Tom said do you remember what the Bestway was for the Husted Hall. Was that like a 10-year deal.

Mike Reed said yeah that was a 10-year deal for that. At that time when we were just getting started, trying to raise funding that things, I think that was \$75 or a \$100,000 over a 10-year period. That was a time period there where some major buildings like the Raper Center and that kind of stuff. Richmond, I think, is more of a lifetime commitment. That's where that, bigger numbers come in.

Greg Beumer said ultimately, our goal was to have information to the state of Indiana before the end of this year to lock in our commitment of the \$230,000.00 from READI Funds. So, where the money comes from you know, internally, that's between you and the council. I think at this point, we would just like to know we have your commitment for the \$650,000 so that we can go ahead and begin the, get the capital campaign started so that we've got money that we can show is available by the end of the year.

Gary made a motion to approve the \$650,000.00 commitment to the 4-H improvement.

Greg Beumer said information for the state will require a signed resolution by the commissioners and the council, and at that point, I think when we designate where the money's coming from.

Mike said okay I have a motion. Do I have a second?

Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Greg Beumer said thank you very much.

**Gary Thomas – Leap IT proposal**

Gary Thomas said I wanted to thank you for you know, asking us to come in and be a part of the process. I think no matter what organization you go with, hopefully, there's been some learning of maybe the direction the county needs to appropriately take to build a better foundation for IT security, and you know, just the life and happiness of employees through getting tickets closed out in a timely manner, and where the organization is going. A couple of the pieces and you guys have all read all this already, what we learned through the short time we were able to look at systems and processes as there's kind of a lack of maturity in terms of IT deliverable the way it's done currently. The agreement though was that it, you know, mainly just providing a person on site. It wasn't necessarily that it was overall governance and direction. Not that they didn't give you some of that, but I think there's some gaps there from what we learned so. That 10,000-foot view that we kind of looked at that I kind of outlined in here was something we would do for a lot of other clients. And we've done hundreds of assessments and you know, it all goes just back down to hygiene, clean environments, the stuff that nobody enjoys doing, you know, cleaning up directories, and password resets and all the fun stuff. You know the way we looked at this is there's a lot of stuff we don't know in this environment. That first 90 days you know, we're going to run in and make sure there's a person on site because that's one end users were used to that. So, we want to make sure the end users are taken care of. And at the same time, be putting in our tools standardizing the security sweep and adding some components that aren't in the environment today. So, if we look at new directives of you know, Homeland Security and State Board of Accounts, they're all directing all of us, and the government stays to be doing more, and more of the heightened alignment for what's happening in the world as we know with Russia and Ukraine. And it's brought a lot more to light. The infrastructure is important. And how we handle that stuff is a big deal. So, we would go through all the security suites. There would be something we would bring to council, to the commissioners meeting as well to say hey we've learned some things. And part of that is keeping us, grading our homework, but then helping educate and say hey here's what we see, and here's what we need to be doing, and in putting a little bit more structure and formality around IT services in this environment. We have some major concerns. But I think once we get our hands on it, we can kind of figure out directives and how we move forward you know, within that for a short period. There's a lot going on here, as you'll probably learn from the next group as well.

Mike said well and we're, what I would say is we're relatively new to the whole new system.

Gary Thomas said yes and there's been some good changes. I think the office 365 you know, it's a smart move. It's a necessary move. We probably want to, you know, day one, we go in and audit, what's going on with office 365 and make sure that it's all two-factored, and appropriate backups for email and the data that's now living in the cloud environment. We have concerns about 911 and backup of internet that's not in place currently because your phone system is kind of, it's obviously a critical infrastructure, to make sure all that stuff's done. So, you are highlighting a lot of those key areas that we know are deficient. And then kind of running at them and figuring out a better plan in place is important.

Mike said now we did, I do know the multifactor login, was, we had some pushback on that from some of the public safety folks.

Gary Thomas said it can happen, yes.

Mike said and I don't, I imagine that's, I don't know, Art you can speak to this, but you guys aren't multi-factor over there are you.

Art Moystner said we are not in the cars.

Gary Thomas said yeah, and those are case-by-case. I mean we take care of the city of Tipton and some other entities as well. But you have to work through some of those nuances and either it's a, you know, we're dealing with those software vendors, those third-party vendors, but how do we make them safer. But yeah those are areas we would address and work on.

Mike said and I really wasn't, this is the first time I've seen this, the last login order in 30 days, that's a security concern.

Gary Thomas said yeah I mean from a multiple, multiple issues. So, when we run our scans, they're really just given a high level, what's going on, and there can always be those areas that we identify or see that there needs to be more questions. A lot of this is basic cleanup work. The last login over 30 days of users you know, that are, these people, were they terminated of the environment. They're obviously not here anymore. Potentially they have full access into the environment. Another thing is if they login in remotely or they came in and were able to log in, you know, they entered the building or entered their whole office space or whatever. So, it's just basic blocking and tackling of we look at on boarding and off boarding staff as critical. It helps the experience of new employee excited to start but handling that procedure properly when somebody leaves. It can be a security issue.

Mike said well that's not commissioners or councilmen not logging onto their computers because they don't use them.

Gary Thomas said so our plan is a little bit different. I mean I hate kind of leaving it wide open and saying hey 90 days, we, it's not going to exceed those two numbers that we already have in place. We probably project it will be in that, you know, 8 to \$9,000 per month. And again, that includes all of our tool sets. There are areas that we would maybe coming back to you from a resilient standpoint of, you have barracuda back up in place, we weren't able to get our hands on it and really look at disaster recovery, you know, what the overall arching theme of you know, what happens if there's a big problem, whether that's ransom ware or something else, how can we, how quick can we get back up and running. So those are areas that would be on our road map as well. So, I apologize for leaving it wide open, but I think there's more discussions to be had.

Tom said so you are thinking after four months it would go to 8 or \$9,000.

Gary Thomas said that's our, that's our projection. But there might be some other costs in there and there might be some costs that we can shift around, you know, once we look at some other budgets. I know we recommended that you, that you can nix the network switch that was approved approximately a year ago. So that saves you \$51 grand to maybe direct in another, not that that stuff's not important. It's probably not in our top couple you know, list items to say when do we need to take care of today. And I think it's appropriate that whoever comes in is familiar and is okay with that hardware. And as you guys have learned too the orders on back order so it's making sure that set the lines with budgets and timelines.

Mike said so you are saying we shouldn't buy that switch.

Gary Thomas said as of today, if I had to make that decision, I'd think it was the right decision to say hey don't spend the money today. And know that you might be spending it later on, or maybe in a different area.

Mike said did I see something in here that we had some seven users.

Gary Thomas said well we should go back in the report. So, one thing we would want to do is go and inventory the world that you guys live in, and make sure that these lists are accurate. But also, too, we would touch every computer. We would make sure they are all updated and our security stacks on them, our tool sets.

Mike said the same thing with the non-unified anti-virus.

Gary Thomas said yeah absolutely. So, we would be removing those items, that when you currently already paid for, they would be included in our monthly expenditure for you. But we would make sure that our stack would be pushed off to every device. Currently yeah, there's some, there's some gaps there that some machines aren't recording that they have virus, or it's non-standard so they've got either multiple versions or another manufacturer of anti-virus.

Mike said anybody have any questions of Gary.

Gary Thomas said and I do know that whether it's us or Taylored, wherever you go with, you know, you guys don't have a lot of time. You are very well aware of that. And hopefully, the current group is okay with answering some questions.

Mike said okay. I don't have anymore questions. Gary do you have anything you want to add.

Gary Thomas said none. I appreciate the opportunity.

Mike said well we appreciate the analysis.

Gary Thomas said it's always fun to do. It just leads to better discussions.

Mike said then again, I didn't think your municipal experience is in your packet you shared that with us this last time.

Gary Thomas said yeah I sometimes don't in our laundry list of clients, but we're from East Central Indiana. I mean this is our neck of the woods as well, so we take care of organizations like city of Tipton, Elwood, you know we do all of Muncie Sanitary District. We all know the challenges that they had the last few, the last few years.

Tom said lot of turnover there.

Gary Thomas said yeah. They're in a better spot now. We'll just leave it at that. But we also do a lot of work in the City of New Castle, Henry County, Jay County. We do a lot of work in this part of the world because this is where we all grew up.

Mike said similar arrangements.

Gary Thomas said everybody's a little bit different. Probably the City of Tipton is going to be the closest in terms of overarching where we would be taking care of obviously, police there, but all municipal services and the same way with here. Muncie Sanitary District, it's kind of growing that we're kind of encompassing more departments, we find things and the IT deliverable has changed and everybody's struggling finding IT staff. So they are looking to organizations like ours to say hey, how do we give a better, safer deliverable and hopefully help out from a cost perspective. I know you guys are looking at it from a different place, kind of at a bargain the last few years so.

Mike said okay.

Gary Thomas said great. Thank you.

**Bonnie Dolick, Rich Allen, David Rash – Taylored Systems – IT services**

Mike said we've dealt with you on our phone systems, so this is a new area that we find ourselves in need of, IT services.

Rich Allen said my name is Rich Allen. Your customer advocate and I've brought David and Bonnie along. Bonnie has got to have experience in being here with getting the phone system set up and everything. And we've got a good standing, a long relationship as far as the phone system and everything. And most recent would be the New Lisbon broad band service coming in, which is also now part of Taylored Systems. And you'll, maybe get the information here. David can answer questions and go through anything that you had questions about regarding the proposal for IT managed services.

David Rash said certainly. My name is David Rash. I'm director of IT Services for Taylored Systems. I did want to reinforce in saying we've had a long-standing relationship with the county. I believe we're on our third generation of phone systems. Between here and the sheriff, we're about twenty years of experience. So, this was something, an opportunity that came up, Laura informed us about that you guys were in need of this type of service. We put this proposal together for you. So, I won't be too long winded, is a very similar structure to what our friend has proposed as well, where is for managed IT solution as opposed to just having one guy on

site, or maybe you know, maybe one guy and then a small team supporting that. You have access to a person on site. Originally in our proposal, we said three days a week, which that is flexible. We can decide how to split that up. But not only that person, they're supported by a help desk that's accessible 24/7, as well as three engineers for any kind of project work, or anything more advanced that they might come across. It just gives you a pool of talent as opposed to one person that might get sick, or might not have expertise on a particular topic. We have experience with city and county governments. The city of Noblesville is one of our customers. We've done work with the city of Indianapolis. That's actually where my background was. I was a network team lead for the city of Indianapolis before coming to Taylored. Some of our others department do other work with pretty much all of the governments and around central Indiana, Fishers, Greenwood, Mooresville, pretty much all of them at some point. I believe Laura included or sent you guys the actual proposal, which I did want to talk about a little bit. So, our pricing works on a structure, it's a one-time onboarding to come in and do a wide scale assessment. It would be a similar report to what Leap has provided you to go through all the accounts and clean up some of those different items in there, button up the security, because everybody has got some issues and skeletons in their closets. Nobody is unique there. And then once we've done that, we'd have a person on site three days a week with their support as an option as well. We would like to revisit that in a few months and see if that is working, if we need to add more time on site or less time on site. We have a number of customers where we transition them from having a guy on site all the time to you know, one or two days a week, and that's worked out very well. There's so many things that can be done remotely these days. And it just makes it more efficient for everyone if you can just call a number or put in a ticket and boom, it's handled right then, as opposed to waiting for them to become available. It would also standardize your tool set with anti-virus and remote access software. Tools that are installed on every computer to insure patching compliance, there's no nasty stuff on there. And give you a consistent experience. Our pricing does work per device. That's how we've priced it out. Five Star had estimated that there were approximately 250 devices which we ran assessments multiple times, multiple days, and we weren't getting that number. We were getting right around 150, 160 and that can vary a little bit, just depending on if a device was off or something like that. But we just weren't seeing that 250 count. We didn't feel right quoting that number because I think that's a little high.

Mike said what do you define as a device.

David Rash said any windows or Linux computer that's on the network. Any thoughts or questions about our proposal.

Mike said well why don't you share with us a little bit about your out of scope proponents, just so I'm clear on what that might be.

David Rash said so it's mostly on I'd say a little bit of a fence for us because we've had some people abuse it. I don't think that we would necessarily have to use it, but it's, we've had a couple of cases where somebody says hey I've got a device at home or something that I really need you to look at. Honestly, our people are probably going to help you regardless, but it does put a little bit of a fence around it, say hey this is really getting out of the scope of what we're

doing. One of the things using the technology that's within this building, we're going to help you with it.

Mike said okay.

David Rash said with any of the county's buildings I should say.

Mike said which would include laptops where people are using laptops. You can help with application, design, installation, development, trouble shooting, what would be an example of that.

David Rash said so like everybody has a piece of software that they use, court software, Odyssey, whatever, something like that example. We do require you to have like a third-party support with that company. Say hey we still pay Odyssey support, but we work with honestly with them on supporting this piece of software for you. It's just coming to us and saying hey can you build this custom piece of software for us. That's where we would start getting outside of our scope and start getting into project work.

Mike said okay. I guess a prime example of that would be our website maybe. That wouldn't be within your scope of services because our website is hosted by the state.

David Rash said probably not. In that case, we would work with the state on development on that.

Mike said I'm trying to make sense of this.

David Rash said yeah there's a lot to it.

Mike said so you used to work for Indianapolis. So does Taylored Systems represent municipals and counties around the area for IT support.

David Rash said yes. The city of Noblesville is one that we, we've worked with them for a long time. Similar case, we've supported their phone system for twenty-plus years. And IT was kind of a natural evolution. They are a little bit different because they have some of their own internal staff, but they come to us for any of their level three advanced support. You know, their server maintenance, network device maintenance, any of that kind of stuff. We have also helped the city of Indianapolis specifically, public safety, some of the individuals over there. As far as in Winchester, we also support TOA and Meridian Health Services is one of our large customers that has an office here.

Mike said okay that's all the questions I have. Gary do you have any questions.

Gary said no I don't think so.

Mike said Tom.

Tom said well I think that's pretty complete. You, how do you work with New Lisbon.

David Rash said so some of you might know, Taylored Systems was formerly owned by Bill Taylor for 39 years. Last year he retired. Now Taylored is owned by New Lisbon holdings. President's John Green from New Lisbon. Steve Barnes and those folks over there. Actually, New Lisbon is technically one of our managed services clients as well. One of the pages on there I did want to pay attention, or draw attention to is there's like an About Us page that's white and red. On the back of that is references from a number of entities that we represent. So, don't hesitate to reach out to any of them. I think it's this on the top. Sorry, a lot of papers in there.

Mike said well you are aware of our needs, so we're going to have to be making a decision rather hurriedly.

Rich Allen said we want to thank you again for the opportunity and obviously, time is of the essence on you all's decision so we're here when you need us.

David Rash said any questions at all, don't hesitate to reach out.

Mike said okay. Thank you.

**Debra Johnting - Darla Erwin, sign in yard for a business**

Debra Johnting said I'm not sure that she'll be here. I don't know why not. I'm from Area Planning. I have a question. If she's not here, I don't know if she's changed her mind. We can allow her to have a sign inside her property line that doesn't include the right-of-way. She's insistent that no one will see it. And can she get a variance from commissioners or from Mike Haffner, who actually controls the right-of-way. And I hate to turn people away and say absolutely not, you can't do that. Generally, it's a building. I'm okay with telling people you cannot put a building in the right-of-way, but a sign, I'm not familiar with.

Mike said zoning doesn't have any appeal process to get a variance into the right-of-way does it.

Debra Johnting said no.

Meeks said you can't have them in the right-of-way.

Mike said there's nothing we can do. Maybe she's found out from somebody else that that's the case.

Debra Johnting and that could be. She's asked several times, and I don't want to turn her down flat without making sure so.

Tom said is she in the country.



Debra Johnting said she is, in, on a road with a couple of houses, no one around. The trees go out almost to the road. They're in the right-of-way, the trees are. And a sign on her property, she says wouldn't be seen.

Tom said the trees are blocking visibility.

Meeks said we can't.

Debra Johnting said I wouldn't recommend it.

Mike said well evidently she's found out otherwise.

Debra Johnting said generally she comes and goes. I'll be happy to tell her that.

Tom said what kind of business is it. Do you know.

Debra Johnting it's, right now it's just agriculture. She has a donkey farm and they don't call it agritourism, it's not generally open to the public. It's by appointment. We consider it home business right now. We don't want to make a big deal out of it. Her neighbors do not want ME Zoo running through there. And so, but she would like to have a sign up for the folks who come. She says they come from everywhere to see her donkeys. But it's by appointment. She just takes pictures and they visit.

Mike said okay. Have you moved into your new role?

Debra Johnting said yes.

Mike said how's that working for you.

Debra Johnting said we still, taking care of surveys and we hired Mallory McKissick. She started last week. Nice young lady, she's doing a real good job.

Mike said okay. Glad that's working out. Thank you Debra.

#### **Ed Thornburg – MS4 designation**

Mike said Ed Thornburg, MS4 designation.

Ed Thornburg said I'm just back to see if you guys had contemplated what was presented last time, if you've made a decision.

Mike said I'm not sure we've talked about this before when I've been here.

Ed Thornburg said okay. We were lucky enough to be one of 75 community counties and municipalities that got selected to join the MS4 family by the state. And we really don't qualify to be an MS4. I went through this my first year here because Parker City had got designated, and at that time, was able to write a simple letter and they let us go. I don't think, it's going to be a

little tougher with. I've been dealing with Christopher Burkes' people who work with him. They'll either manage MS4 for us or help us write a letter to get a waiver. And I would recommend we start there. A waiver packet, we're talking a couple thousand, \$2,000.00 for a waiver packet. For that, they know how to write a letter that those folks will listen to. If we end up being in this, we're either going to have to hire someone to take care of it. Yet there's a lot involved here.

Mike said what's the concern.

Ed Thornburg said if we join in that, it's for business. We're going to have another department to deal with. These are the folks that run around telling you that if you've got bottles of hydraulic, you've got to take, buckets of oil sitting on a shelf, you should have a pan under them to catch any fall. They're like the pollution control police.

Mike said that doesn't have anything to do with water. Sounded like it has something to do with water.

Tom said waste water.

Ed Thornburg said it's storm water, waste water. It's all part of it.

Mike said so they're concerned about out septic systems in the county.

Ed Thornburg said well it's, at this point, most of what they're talking about is the other point source type things. For the most part, they're worrying about how you maintain fuel tanks, dykes and like I say, contamination. I can't imagine septic's not becoming involved down the road.

Mike said well it sounds like we probably ought to try to get exempt from it. Are you recommending that we hire this group?

Ed Thornburg said I'm recommending that we contract Christopher Burke to look at the fee structure of what they told me. Let's see here, the scope of service of the waiver packet, they'll develop a waiver of letter packet to submit to IDEM. Option two is a waiver packet and consulting services. They'll complete a waiver packet, submit to IDEM. Should the waiver be denied, they will provide consulting services setting up an MS4 program that would begin in 2023. I would suggest we go with the \$2,000.00 option where they will develop a waiver packet to submit. And if we get denied, then we need to look at the \$5,000.00 option.

Mike said wouldn't that only be three.

Ed Thornburg said well if I had other people here, they can answer that properly for you. I would like to think it would be three, but. I can't, I just don't know. We've not done, I've not done that much work with these folks. They worked for our state association a lot.

Mike said I'm surprised that this isn't directed at the Board of Health or, why this is the surveyors.

Ed Thornburg said they did direct it at the surveyors to start. These surveyors' offices have an MS4 director in their office.

Tom said could you have them appoint you?

Ed Thornburg said oh you could.

Mike said where are we going to pay for this from.

Ed Thornburg said that's why I'm here. It's not section corner work so I can't use section corner money. And it's not just any one drain, so it's pretty hard to use this maintenance money.

Mike said with the commissioners' attorney fees.

Laura said I think we have enough professional fees.

Mike said professional fees. Someone want to move approval.

Tom made a motion to hire Christopher Burke.

Mike said I have a motion to hire Christopher Burke to prepare a waiver request from the MS4 required designation at a cost of \$2,000.00 taken from commissioners budget, county professional fees. Do I have a second?

Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Don Blunk, Saratoga Street signs**

Mike said Don Blunk. Almost missed you. Do you have a request to the commissioners?

Don Blunk said yes sir. I talked with Mike Haffner about making new street signs for Saratoga. And he told me I would have to come before the commissioners and the council for him to be able to do that.

Mike said okay.

Tom said have we done this in the past.

Don Blunk said well they made a couple signs for us in the past.

Mike said how many do you want.

Don Blunk said it would be a total of thirty I think.

Mike said thirty.

Don Blunk said yes.

Mike said are you willing to pay for them.

Don Blunk said yes.

Mike said do you have the excess blanks to do that.

Mike Haffner said no we would have to probably that quantity, we would probably have to order stuff in. But I can get a quote on, naturally, we've got places that we can buy finished signs. So, I'd at least want to quote out what that would be, because it might, with that kind of quantity, it might be just as cheap to go that route. You are just wanting signs to replace.

Don Blunk said what we have yeah.

Mike Haffner said so you won't need the posts or anything.

Don Blunk said no just the signs.

Mike said have you got an inventory or list of what you need.

Don Blunk said I will give him one.

Mike said you can give it to Mike and then Mike can get you a cost on that back. Sound good.

Mike Haffner said he would need to go through you guys for reimbursement process, yeah. That's why I told him he had to start here.

Mike said does the council need to be involved.

Meeks said I don't know why.

Mike said I don't think the council needs to be. Got a green light.

Don Blunk said okay I'll get you a list. Thank you.

Mike said that brings us to the end of the top of our agenda. A member of the council here this morning. Dave do you have anything for us.

Dave said I have nothing today. We have a meeting tomorrow. You are all invited.

Mike said I'll be there. And we did have the mayor here earlier, but I see he's left.

**Other Business:**

**Art Movstner, Randolph County Sheriff**

Mike said other business. Art. Randolph County Sheriff. Do you have anything for us this morning.

Art Moystner said just some information. I want to share with you that I hadn't realized until this morning, one of the accounts for, I believe it's the building maintenance account, apparently when I was filling out claims, I had looked at the wrong number. And this has been an interesting year for repairs to the building. With losing our maintenance person, we had a couple of months that I had to basically contract out any repairs that we've had. So, I'm going to go to the council tomorrow and explain to them that that line's out of money. Then I'm going to have to add, we're going to have to do something, move some money over to catch up where we're at now. And I've had a few things that I'm aware of we're going to have come in this year because we've had a window that's been damaged and an issue with an overhead door. So, it's just, it's been an interesting year. So, I just wanted to make you guys aware because I believe those lines are in the commissioner's side of that, that they are probably going to have to go transfer to get us caught up and possibly even some more to get where we need to be this year.

Mike said okay. So, did you get the quotes from J&K on the radios.

Art Moystner said I did receive the quotes on the radios. It's the one that Chris had shared.

Mike said are they the mobile radios that we were talking about.

Art Moystner said those would be the mobile units.

Mike said and were there two different quotes with an increase in price since we're off the contract.

Art Moystner said there was not an increase in price. The original quote that he had sent was a single unit, which makes it very complicated to mount in the car. So, I had him re-quote to give us a, they call it a remote head unit that they set, they can sit on the dash with the other part of the radio being mounted elsewhere in the vehicle, the larger portion, which would be what we would need to go with is that second quote.

Mike said and that was I think a \$1,000.00 more per radio if I recall.

Art Moystner said I didn't think it went up that much.

Mike said \$1900 to \$3000 if I'm looking at the same quote you are talking about.

Art Moystner said I would have to look at those quotes again, and I don't think I have it with me today.

Mike said the two quotes I got, one goes from \$1900 per radio to \$3,000.00 per radio.

Art Moystner said this is the same number of radios.

Mike said well that's just one radio. He's just quoting one radio.

Art Moystner said well if it's a single unit, then that's not the correct quote. So, I need to share with you.

Mike said well both quotes I have are just single units.

Art Moystner said no cause he quoted me the total number of units.

Mike said maybe these are, and then I was waiting on maybe a pager quote and a pager response from Chris from the fire departments, and we've not gotten that yet either.

Art Moystner said I can check with Chris when I leave here and I can email you guys.

Mike said I know Chris reached out to Jimmy Tharp at White River to see how many pagers, see how many pagers they would need based upon their insurance listing is what we requested. And Chris reached out to them so he might not have heard from him.

Art Moystner said okay.

Mike said so that's part of the, that's the other alternative, buying digital pagers for them and then putting digital mobile radios in your car to get them radio VHS dedicated service.

Art Moystner said correct.

Mike said so okay.

Art Moystner said but I will get the pager quote, pager count from Chris and then I will forward the quote I have.

Mike said I take that back. We have a pager quote. It's rather old. So, I don't know if J&K will Stand by that or not.

Tom said well we had just the first. We had a second one that was reduced or.

Mike said well we had one basically again, is by pager and multiply that, it gives you a total number so. Some idea of what that pager is going to cost us. We just don't know how many they actually need. I can reach out to Chris. That's not a problem.

Art Moystner said and I think the quote that J&K sent me was to outfit all the vehicles that we have, I believe that quote was in the mid-50s.

Mike said mid 50s before the project ended.

Art Moystner said correct.

Mike said so the project I think is ended now.

Art Moystner said in a conversation with Ted, I believe he would extend that a bit.

Mike said okay. Any questions of Art.

Art Moystner said just got that information for you. Thank you.

Mike said thank you.

**Minutes of June 6, 2022**

Mike said that brings us to minutes of our June 6, 2022 meeting which we received via email. Any additions, corrections or deletion to those minutes. Hearing none, I'd entertain a motion to approve the minutes.

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

**Regular Claims \$1,276,352.68**

Mike said that brings us to our regular claims in the amount of \$1,276,352.68.

Gary made a motion to approve the regular claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Payroll Claims \$228,840.94 & \$219,540.22**

Mike said that brings us to our payroll claims in the amount of \$219,540.22. And \$228,840.94. I'd entertain a motion to approve.

Gary made a motion to approve both payroll claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Payroll deductions \$265,149.42**

Mike said I'd entertain a motion to approve the payroll deduction claim in the amount of \$265,149.42.

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

**L&M Regional Water District grant claim \$278,114.43**

Mike said next claim is the L&M Regional Water District claim in the amount of \$278,114.43.

Gary said according to this they are 67% completed.

Mike said I'd entertain a motion to approve the L&M Regional Water District claim.

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

**Randolph County United Claim \$18,838.00**

**Randolph County United Tourism Claim \$1,996.00**

Mike said next two claims are Randolph United claims, one in the amount of \$18,838.00 and the other is for the tourism claim in the amount of \$1,996.00, both for September draws. I'd entertain a motion to approve these two claims.

Gary made a motion to approve both claims.

Mike said have a motion to approve. Do I have a second?

Tom said do we need to keep moving money when they don't have a director and that's \$75,000.00 a year that they're not spending. I just don't know if we need to build up a surplus for them. I mean, we should pay the tourism, but I don't know if we need to keep paying for a director when there's none there.

Mike said we are under contract and would need to renegotiate the contract.

Meeks said you have a contract.

Tom said we don't hear from them, we haven't heard what the plan is for the new person.

Mike said well the plan is they are searching for a new director.

Tom said they've started their search again.

Mike said have to do search again. They've talked to some and I think the one they talked to wanted more money than they wanted to pay. And they reached out and are attempting to hire an interim to work part-time to defray some of that expense. And they also are paying Ceann an hourly rate to come in and assist when necessary.

Tom said well it doesn't seem like they're holding their end of the contract up very well. So, I guess I'm not in favor of paying that claim.

Mike said I'll second the motion. All in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.

Gary said aye.

Mike said all opposed, same sign.

Tom said aye.

Mike said so one opposed. Motion carried.

**J&K Communications Claim \$186,846.56**

Mike said next claim is the J&K Communications claim in the amount of \$186,846.56. And this is for the communications project, signed by J&K, signed by the architect.

Gary said and this is for how much.



Mike said \$186,846.56.

Gary said what was the second one for, I evidently didn't get the, what was the second one for.

Mike said one was \$118,000 and the other was \$68,107.

Gary said that takes all retainage.

Laura said and I had asked Chris to be here but he could not.

Gary said and we don't have a completion approval yet. A retainage should not be included.

Mike said Chris sent an email. It basically says to my knowledge; J&K work is complete. I have no issues with the system as it is now. I have not received any complaints since the fire chiefs meeting. The extra equipment has been picked up and credited. Other extra equipment is stored here in case we have part failures.

Tom said but we don't have, they're not finished on the whole project. Is that customary to pay retainage to keep everybody's retained until completely done.

Meeks said you need a certificate of completion.

Tom said and that's when we settle up with everybody.

Meeks said that's what the contract says. Typically, it's upon completion.

Mike said the second claim is for retainage, the \$68,000. Excuse me, the \$118 is for retainage.

Tom said so we owe them the \$68 but the.

Gary said I move approval of the \$68.

Mike said I have a motion to approve \$68,107.22, which was for allowance, IP base dispatch, consult, installation and training.

Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said there's still a situation with the highway with them working. I don't know. Have you found out anymore Mike?

Mike Haffner said no. Seems like J&K doesn't want to do anything so we've got Motorola coming in to give us a quote to move the antenna where it should have been.

Gary said well that's a situation that J&K was supposed to have been involved in.

Mike Haffner said yeah they are involved but they don't respond.

Gary said well once we get a quote from them, then we'll discuss that with J&K. That's why I think we need to make sure we keep the retainage because they moved, they moved that. I talked to Lonnie last week and he said they were talking to Motorola to see what they would charge. So, I think that still needs to be resolved.

**Ordinance 2022-23 – Third reading**

Mike said Ordinance 2022-23, the third reading. This is an ordinance for the county commissioners Randolph County, Indiana amending chapter 71 schedule on speed limits. And this is a temporary reduction of speed limits on county road 600 south, county road 700 south and Indian Trail reducing the speed limit to 35 mile per hour, temporary that these speed limits will expire on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. I'd entertain a motion to adopt and pass this ordinance number 2022-23 on the third and final reading this morning.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022- 23**

**An Ordinance for the County Commissioners of Randolph County Indiana  
Amending Chapter 71, Schedule I, Speed Limits**

BE IT ORDAINED that the Randolph County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 71, Schedule I, Speed Limits is hereby amended by adding the following to subsection I:

<i>Street/Road</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Speed Limit</i>	<i>Penalty</i>	<i>Ord. No.</i>	<i>Date Passed</i>
C.R. 600 S	From State HWY 1 to S C.R. 500 W	35 mph	Class C Infraction		
C.R. 700 S	From State HWY 1 to Indian Trail	35 mph	Class C Infraction		
Indian Trail	From C.R. 600 S to US HWY 36	35 mph	Class C Infraction		

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the above speed limits shall commence upon the passage and due publication of this Ordinance. On August 1, 2024 the speed limits that existed prior to this Ordinance for the above Streets and Roads shall go back into effect.

Tom made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-23. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Head Start Lease agreement, DCS proposal to renew lease**

Mike said next item is the Head Start Lease agreement.

Laura said that hasn't changed from what we, I think you guys were going to look at the spread sheet that I forwarded and determine what you wanted to charge.

Mike said this isn't the one that you've been negotiating back and forth.

Meeks said I've not talked to the Head Start people. We sent out to DCS.

Laura said and it's attached there too.

Mike said DCS is. But they've not responded to your last inquiry.

Meeks said just a thank you. I got a thank you in an email back but that's about it. Nothing substantial.

Mike said so Head Start has 1378 and 304, 1682. So, I think we determined their rent would, they're asking to pay, continue to pay \$750 if I recall.

Meeks said yes.

Mike said and if we calculate their square footage, it would be more like \$1,400, \$10 a square foot. So, what do we want to do.

Tom said and this is a private entity that's doing this now.

Meeks said not-for-profit corporation.

Gary said they are a not-for-profit, but they're out of Colorado. And my understanding is they only have a six-month agreement is what I was told. But I don't know if that's a fact, with the federal government.

Tom said well I think we should ask them, the \$10.07 a foot.

Mike said well we just charged Cancer services \$10.00.

Tom said \$10.00 okay. About \$1400 a month.

Gary said previously Head Start was operated by CFS, which was a 6 County Community organization, which was each county was involved. I know we've let them have that at a cheaper rate because that was part of the county, so called county input into the operation of the facility. And that's, they're no longer involved. I think we need to go, as Tom said, go to the \$10.00.

Mike said you want to go to the \$10.00.

Gary said and that's what you just charged the Cancer society.

Mike said that's what we charge most of our tenants except for Gric.

Gary said or IVY Tech.

Mike said they're not on here either. Community Family Services, that's DCS.

Meeks said yeah, DCS.

Mike said do you want to make that a motion.

Gary said yes.

Mike said that would be at \$10.00 a square foot on 1,682 square feet is \$16,280 a year or roughly, \$1,401.67.

Meeks said do we want to make it 1400.

Mike said 1400 a month. We haven't heard back from DCS so.

Meeks said yeah I just got the thank you very much and I think theirs was, I'm looking to see what theirs per month. But they have a different square footage.

Mike said 3576 square feet.

Meeks said well theirs was wrong on their, I think it's even more, according to Jake.

Mike said did that include the Head Start.

Meeks said I think that is just one DCS has.

Mike said okay.

Meeks said I questioned him several times on it.

Mike said okay.

Meeks said and we still don't know what the standard of measure is. I looked it up though. I didn't figure it out. I didn't try very hard though.

Mike said well I suppose we need to wait to hear from them but we can't wait too long.

Meeks said I'll follow up with an email this week.

Mike said okay. I guess the question is if they're leasing that many square feet, is it, can we discount, planning to discount that off the \$10.00.

Meeks said I think you're at \$12 or \$13 with them right now.

Mike said this says \$3.63 and \$4.16.

Meeks said you're at \$10.73 a square foot off the 4100 square feet.

Mike said on the response.

Meeks said no on your last lease.

Tom said yeah that was with.

Mike said my sheet doesn't show that then.

Meeks said well the last, this was at least three years ago.

Laura said they never signed the last one we sent them. And they never signed it and sent it back.

Meeks said have they been paying \$10.75.

Laura said I would have to check.

Mike said the spread sheet doesn't reflect the \$10.00 is what I'm saying.

Meeks said the signed contract from Dave he signed it, has the \$10.73 square foot.

Mike said okay and that's blank in this proposed lease. So, you might just share with them that we are recommending.

Laura said I'll check and see what they've been paying and let you know Meeks.

Meeks said yeah you check and see what they've been paying. I wasn't going to go any lower than what they've been paying.

Mike said okay. We shouldn't go lower than the \$10 and some for square feet.

Meeks said and if we add another 1000 square feet, they're going to be paying more.

**EDIT Plan amendment and date for EDIT meeting**

Mike said okay. Edit plan and a date for Edit meeting. Meeks has prepared us an Edit plan that adds Albany and the Forum Funders.

Tom said I think it added about two, right.

Meeks said yeah it added two things.

Mike said 26 and 27. So we need to entertain a motion to approve the Edit plan as amended.

Tom made a motion to approve the amended EDIT plan. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said and we need to set a time for a meeting.

Tom said the 14<sup>th</sup>. Is that too soon.

Mike said that would be a good night for me because I won't be in town. I would be the following Wednesday.

Laura said I will be gone but I can send somebody if you decide to do that.

Tom said I can do, either one is fine with me.

Gary said the other one is better for me also.

Mike said the 21<sup>st</sup>.

Gary said yes.

Mike said 9/21 at 6 p.m. Okay.

**Electronic map application agreement**

Final on this part of the agenda is the electronic map application agreement. This is a renewal from Crouse Surveying for EDP renewables and renewable for access to the electronic map data, is a charge of \$300.00. I'd entertain a motion to approve.

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

**Additional Appropriations:**

**Area Planning**

Secretary	\$7,448.00
Executive Director	\$7.70

Mike said ready for additional appropriations. First additional appropriation is the Area Planning Commission for Secretary, \$7,448.00 and the Executive Director.

Laura said we were \$7.70 short.

Mike said I'd entertain a motion to approve the additional appropriations for Area Planning.

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

**LIT – Sheriff & EMS**

Sheriff – Fuel	\$30,000.00
EMS – Repair Vehicles	\$20,000.00

**LIT – EMS**

EMS Fuel \$12,000.00

Mike said additional appropriations for LIT, for the sheriff and EMS. Sheriff's fuel of \$30,000.00, EMS repair vehicles of \$20,000 and EMS fuel of \$12,000.00. I'd entertain a motion to approve these three additional appropriations.

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

**Multiple Departments – Bonus**

County General	\$152,625.00
Health Department	\$5,250.00
Health Maintenance	\$1,500.00
1173 MVH	\$18,750.00
1176 MVH	\$6,750.00
E911	\$9,000.00
Community Corrections	\$4,500.00

Mike said these are Multiple Department, additional appropriations to cover the bonus that council provided late this summer. County General, \$152,625.00, Health Department, 5,250, Health Maintenance, 1,500, MVH fund 1173 of 18,750, and 1176, 6,750, E911 of 9,000, and Community Corrections of 4,500. I'd entertain a motion to approve the multiple department additional appropriations.

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

**Airport**

Fuel	\$65,000.00
Fuel taxes	\$2,400.00

Mike said additional appropriations for the airport for fuel of \$65,000.00 and for fuel taxes of \$2,400.00. I'd entertain a motion for the additional appropriation for the airport.

Tom said is that money they, is that what they serve or is that to buy gas fuel.

Mike said buy gas and fuel.

Tom said and pay taxes.

Laura said yes certain ones.

Mike said not all taxes.

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

Mike said Laura do you have anything for us this morning.

Laura said and I think I sent this to you guys. I don't know if you had already taken care of that or not, so just wanted to bring it just in case.

Mike said anybody have any questions about the Pole project down around Lynn.

Tom said oh yes.

Mike said or have some information on that.

Tom said yeah I, that's with I&M.

Laura said yeah she sent that in with that email. I just attached a copy of that email on the top.

Tom said I guess I am, depending what I'm going to talk to the CEO of I&M to tell him about our safety concerns because they don't seem to be following our protocol for informing us about road closures.

Mike said so are they waiting on us to approve this project.

Laura said that's the first I'd seen anything on it.

Mike said did you get the copy of these sketches.

Tom said uh huh.

Mike said did you get the cover email.

Tom said yeah.

Mike said was the cover email attached to your sketches. I didn't think they were. I didn't see a cover email.

Laura said oh maybe I didn't.

Mike said well if you have it, I think, do you want to respond to Shay Carpenter Barr and tell him you want to, before approving this, we want to discuss the safety concerns we have about I&M taking of the road.

Tom said yeah I will. Yes.

Mike said you do have her contact information.

Tom said yeah.

Mike said okay. Anything else Laura.



Laura said that's all I got.

Mike said okay. Meeks do you have anything for us this morning.

Meeks said I have two things. First off, I think our ordinance book and handbook is not, we're going to have to update that concerning firearms. On July 1, 2022, I think anybody could carry a firearm in the buildings, other than this building, since it has a Court room. You can restrict all the other weapons, but you're going to have to have a metal detector is what it looks like. And you can restrict all those things still in this building.

Mike said I can verify them.

Meeks said yeah you can't verify. You'd have to probably put out a sign. We used to have signs. So, we're going to have to update that ordinance. I've read the state statute two or three times. I'm still kind of, uh, and I would say, half the county attorneys are trying to figure it out too, because it's not as clear cut as what it seems. So that's going to be coming and our handbook's going to have to be updated to then because I think we have a restriction no one can carry, no employee. But you can't do that now, even though the state statute says you can. The other thing is the Pyramid letter. Don't know if you guys saw that. I just really need a contact person I can say either contact me or one of you three, you guys tell which one. I think we need to send them a letter to tell them we denied it and we still want this information. I think it needs to come from me. That's why I wrote it.

Tom said yeah I do too.

Mike said either one of you want to be the contact person.

Meeks said I'll put my name down for sure, but I wasn't, who else, who else wanted to do it.

Mike said I can do that.

Meeks said okay I'll put Mike down.

Mike said is that alright Gary.

Gary said yes we've got to do something I think.

Meeks said and I'll get that out probably the next day or two. I need to fill in some more blanks.

Gary said we've not received any reply have we.

Meeks said zero.

Gary said that's what I thought.

Meeks said who was here. I can't remember.

Mike said Todd, Todd Durnell.

Meeks said Todd, that's what I couldn't.

Gary said he was the project manager I guess.

Mike said anything else this morning.

Meeks said I do not.

Mike said Tom.

Tom said Meeks and I talked about the, I checked with the land owners after I delivered the letters about the conduit, the easement. And one, the one that seems to be the leader, wants compensation in the contract. I told him that was pretty hard to do. I tried to explain to him. And Meeks suggested that we could draft a letter saying that we would reimburse them what we'll hopefully negotiate with New Lisbon, that we would pay them a dollar and quarter a foot, and three years, free service, if New Lisbon doesn't do it. I have every reason to believe New Lisbon will do it. But anyway, that's sort of at an impasse until we give them some kind of, unless the compensation is guaranteed somehow. Hopefully, that letter would be sufficient, but I'm not even sure. So is that something we would need.

Mike said is that your personal guarantee, is that.

Tom said no I'm not.

Mike said county guarantee.

Tom said yeah a county guarantee.

Mike said and that's something we can talk about.

Meeks said the thought that I would put, would be in a letter that said if the county got paid, we would pass that along to the property owners. I think we can do that.

Mike said I'm okay with that.

Meeks said I do not want to put that in the agreements.

Tom said well we've already signed 15 without that.

Meeks said and I recorded them. And if you want to put that in a letter, I think we could do that.

Mike said you okay with that Gary.

Meeks said I think you'd have to offer it to everybody.

Gary said are they all backing up from where they were then.

Tom said well at least five never agreed, and yeah, yeah probably are backing up I guess.

Meeks said I don't think they're backing up. They never agreed in the first place.

Tom said well no. I told them if we get.

Gary said a couple or part of them did.

Tom said well I told them if we, you know, we want to give them this money, and we'll give them, the landowner that money, plus they're going to get a year's free internet. They're all okay but they want it in writing.

Mike said this is just for the five holdouts or is this for everybody.

Tom said well I would say everybody. We've already got the others.

Meeks said I don't know how you pay the five holdouts.

Mike said are we, are we going to get the pay for all of it then.

Tom said yeah that's what's been offered for everyone, a dollar twenty-five for everyone, that \$90,000.00. So, if we would guarantee that to these holdouts, hopefully they would sign and then we would own that, and then we could negotiate and finish this up.

Gary said I guess.

Mike said is that a motion.

Tom said yes.

Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said anything else Tom.

Tom said I was tasked to check with Carol Beckner about her tv, and I visited her on the phone and personally, and I think EDPR needs to put an antenna up for about \$900.00. I think it's going to be resolved when Chris gets back from vacation. So hopefully, that will go away.

Mike said a free-standing antenna.

Tom said yeah a free-standing.

Mike said we already offered an antenna on.

Tom said well this is outside the house, and he'll hand her the wire so she can hook it to her tv inside the house. So anyway, hopefully that will be done in time for the Olympics. She hates to miss the Olympics.

Mike said well the county's going to miss you Tom.

Tom said and also, I report that the letters have been removed off the old highway barn. And they were plastic. I was hoping to save them, but they pretty well disintegrated, when they took, they were glued on, so we don't have any letters for the, the highway barn, those are off. They're no good, and he's behind in his rent. His lease is coming do, and I told him he needs to catch up so we can extend the lease. So hopefully.

Mike said he's doing a better job of keeping that up and cleaned up out there.

Tom said yeah he's.

Mike said put a barrier fence up.

Tom said yeah he's short of help but he's trying so.

Mike said okay. Anything else.

Tom said I think that's it.

Mike said Gary do you have anything for us this morning.

Gary said I just had J&K and the highway barn communication system is all I had.

Mike said I've got a couple of things. First off, and they both relate to economic development. I put at your place a strategic housing development plan proposal from housing resource hub in there. Randolph United, I don't know if you recall, but they, they with the help of Ball State, have developed a five-stage economic development plan called cultivating communities. And one of the things is the area housing, in need for housing. And I sit on that committee, and Dave Lenkensdofer sits on that committee. And we've been wrestling with how we can become involved in housing. And then Ball State brought us this group called the housing resource hub. And housing resource hub is a not-for-profit organization out of Ft. Wayne, Indiana that comes in and this paragraph on overview, housing strategy provides a road map for leaders to launch a housing initiative that meets the needs of the community. The hub uses the housing market empowerment method, a proprietary approach that mobilizes a vision into action and produces a five-year strategic plan. And at least one housing development project in the home buyer pipeline building tool. Beginning at the end in mind we cultivate and engage local leadership and important dialogue to create a shared vision that protects and enhances with the community virtual six steps to success mastermind. So basically, housing resource hub, a housing consultant, and who appeared at our housing meeting, and with a lot of passion, and presented a

nice video of projects they completed in Lagrange County and in Wabash, Indiana, and two different projects that they spearheaded through this process. One was a mixed commercial residential project, and the other one was just a strictly housing project. And what attracted the interest of the housing committee, and then the Randolph United board at a board meeting was that the housing study they do, the housing projects they bring out are based upon market housing. It's not low-income housing. It's not subsidized housing. It's market housing, which is what everybody that we hear, wants in our county. And they will say that at some point in time, there may be part of the project would have subsidized housing in order to find funding resources, but it's a very small part. So, what this group does, comes in and meets with a leadership team and then they do an analysis of the county, looking forward, what type of housing project would best benefit our county. And then they'll pick one or two, or three different potential projects and that project will, those projects will eventually end up into one viable project that they then would also continue to help the county to pursue to the completion of the project through finding grants, private money, right down to even helping buyers find mortgages. So, it's a, it's almost a too-good-to-be-true proposal. And what makes it not too-good-to-be-true is that it does cost. It costs the county \$130,000.00 over a two-year period. And that's payable with a \$10,000.00 down payment, and then \$5,000.00 per month is paid for the next 24 months, which will engage their services to put you in a position to have a viable project. And Dave and I met with both mayors, Chad Spence of Union City, and Bob McCoy of Winchester, and they have, they liked this idea. And they've bought into the idea. And Chad has indicated that he would put \$36,000.00 towards the \$130,000.00 fee. And Bob, not quite as enthusiastically, but was going to find out and thought he could do this next year, put \$36,000.00 towards this project as well, which would leave the county with a price tag of \$58,000.00. And there's been talk, and Ceann Bales, whose part of the housing committee, indicated she'd like to find \$10,000 of that 58 from the funders forum. But they're not up and ready to go, but she thinks that's something that could be reimbursed to the county from the funders forum. And then the county would be left with a price tag of \$48,000.00 which would be payable over the next two-year period, or \$2,000.00 a month. And I'm proposing this morning that the county participate at that level, not only getting the up front 10 to get this project started, in hopes and negotiate, as we do have two members on that founder's funders committee, to negotiate repayment of that 10 back to the county. And we would commit, and that would come from EDIT funds, and we would commit another \$2,000.00 a month for the next two years after the project starts from EDIT funds to bring the housing resource hub to the county. And that's what I'm proposing this morning.

Tom said these, would Wabash and Lagrange County, would they whole heartedly endorse this.

Mike said we've not talked to them, but before we sign any papers, I think that would be a, I wouldn't know why not, based upon the slides I saw all the projects in. I do have the slide deck, but I didn't get that sent to you. But I'll send that to you this afternoon and you can see the slide deck of what they did with the grant money part of the investment, and obviously local investment as well. They're two different projects, and it's just an interesting concept. And I think, I think it would be a good thing for the county. And we have obviously, Union City has a project getting ready to start. Winchester has a private project that we supported getting ready to start. Parker has a project. Losantville is seeking a sewer system, which if they get that in place, they would be applying for a housing project in Losantville. So, I think there's, and then there's

other opportunities. If you look around both the city of Winchester and Union City, there's vacant lots and unused buildings that could turn into viable projects. So, I'm recommending that we spend \$58,000.00 at this time over the next two years from EDIT funds to engage the services of the housing resource hub. And would make that as form of a motion, and take any questions you guys would have.

Gary said well I think it's a good idea. We've talked about this type of a program for several years. I know the committee you and Dave sit on has worked very hard on this. And it seems to me just what we need to come in here and help energize this and go forward with it. So, I would second that.

Mike said and I will say that one of the other options we looked at was taken from the southeast region. They had a housing program down there where they saw state money of around \$350,000.00 in state money to support subsidized housing and housing remodel. We determined as a group that we'd spend about 25% of that on hiring somebody to increment that plan every year. And didn't think that was something that, again, our group was looking for market housing projects, and that's what this does. So, I appreciate the second Gary.

Tom said well was the committee unanimous in their support of this.

Mike said as far as I know they were, yes. And I didn't hear any. There was interest from the Randolph United board to have more information, but they all felt like it was a pretty good project. And the difference may have been that I presented it to Randolph United board, and Ryan and Heather, who represent the housing resource, they have a lot of passion for this. And it's, passion, part of that passion obviously, is selfish passion. But the other part is I think they have a passion to seeing communities improve. I think it's a good project. Well if that's all the questions. All in favor, signify by saying aye.

All aye votes. Motion carried.

Meeks said is that from EDIT funds.

Mike said EDIT funds.

Meeks said okay. How much.

Mike said 58,000.

Tom said now the 64 is coming from the cities.

Mike said 72 is coming from the cities.

Meeks said 58, this is not the 5,000 a month, or is that.

Mike said 58 is 2,000 a month for us and a \$10,000.00 down payment.

Meeks said 2,000 a month, \$10,000.00 down payment.

Mike said but I don't, I think our goal is that we start this after the first of the year.

Meeks said beginning 2023.

Mike said or I should, maybe December and the monthly payments will start in January is kind of what we discussed.

Meeks said just the name of the people we're paying. It's the housing recourse hub.

Mike said so that's all I have this morning.

### **Citizen Comments**

Mike said do we have any citizens here who want to talk to us. Hearing none, I know our two IT providers have stuck around and we typically, in a case like this, send that the bid documents off to somebody in another room, and then they come back with a recommendation. So, we don't have that, we don't have that luxury today. So, I'm not sure how we want to handle the hiring of an IT firm. If we expire on.

Laura said the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Mike said Monday the 12<sup>th</sup>, which is a week from yesterday, and again too, I'm not sure we've had enough time to absorb the two quotes. So, the question becomes can it wait until the 19<sup>th</sup> or should we call a special meeting, which I won't be here. I leave the 9<sup>th</sup>, I won't be here next week. You guys can do it without me.

Tom said can we talk about it this afternoon.

Meeks said we can take a recess.

Mike said recess until three.

Meeks said you can recess until this afternoon. It's all day. Seriously, we used to do that all the time.

Mike said well we have a meeting at 10:30.

Meeks said you have a 10:30 meeting and another one, you could recess until 1:30 or whenever.

Mike said okay. Want to do that.

Tom said yeah.

Meeks said recess until when.

Tom said 1:30, 1:45, 2:00.

Meeks said you just have to tell everybody when you recess to, you can't just say recess.

Tom said we have to meet back here.

Meeks said up here. It's advertised here. It's advertised all day here. We literally used to do it all the time.

Mike said I know. I know the meetings were real long back then.

Meeks said it's getting back to how we used to.

Tom said we got to think a lot better leadership now I guess.

Meeks said you guys just tell me when it's recess. I have a 2:00 I can reschedule, so.

Tom said 1:50.

Mike said how long will solid waste last Gary.

Gary said it won't go over an hour.

Mike said the problem recessing is we got to give ourselves time to look at these a little closer.

Tom said yeah.

Gary said that's the thing. We're not going to have any time now because, we're already an hour and a half behind that other meeting.

Mike said what's the, I'll ask the experts in the room. What's the negative in waiting until the 19<sup>th</sup>.

Laura said we'll have a week without service.

Gary Thomas said you mentioned that 5 Star said they'd help with the transition, would they.

Laura said they will not have a tech on site.

Mike said we'd have a help desk tech at best wouldn't we.

Laura said I can ask them if they would still be willing to cover us for that extra week. I can't answer for them. I would guess. I have a meeting with Brandan this afternoon from 5 Star. So, I can ask her a question. I would guess that they won't have somebody on site, but they would probably be willing to take calls from us if need be, send somebody if we have an emergency. I just will have to ask them.



Mike said what do you think.

Tom said I'm fine with the recess.

Mike said you're fine with the recess. You want to recess.

Gary said I would like to resolve it that quickly, but I've looked at it a little bit, but not a lot. I haven't compared them.

Mike said well let' recess until 2:30. Here.

Meeks said it has to be here.

Mike said we'll recess until 2:30. Thank you for your attendance and attention.

Mike said this meeting is reconvened.

Mike said we've got two items of business. Sorry ladies and gentlemen. We've got one item we've got to take care of before we deal with IT. But, at the drainage board, it was discussed that we are going to repair a drain on South street that was, well we put in a drain, a storm water drain on South street that we removed. And when the South street bridge was reconstructed five years ago, and it's flooding a neighbor's property. So, at the drainage board, we decided to go ahead with it and it was recommended that it be paid for with ARPA funds. So, our bid of 33,000. Did you write that bid down Tom?

Gary said 640 or something like that.

Tom said I believe it was 33,000, yeah.

Mike said \$33,640.

Tom said the board awarded it to East Central Contracting.

Mike said we recommended that that be paid out of ARPA funds. So, I'd entertain a motion to that effect.

Tom make a motion to approve \$33,640 out of ARPA. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Laura said \$33,640.

Mike said that's what I'll give you right now.

Gary said I think so. I don't have that.

Mike said next item on the agenda is our IT solutions proposals, one from Taylored Systems and one from Leap Managed IT. We've had both presentations this morning, which both presentations were very good. We haven't had a lot of time to review them, but I'm not sure the Reviewing them is going change anything we would decide today, at least for me, in the sense a lot of what we're buying here, just like with Five Star, we don't know what we're buying until we get into the meat and potatoes of it. So that being said, I think we probably can make a decision today. Are you ready to make a decision Gary?

Gary said yes. Like I said this morning, if we were talking about bridges or building buildings and so on, I have a lot of concept with that, but when we're talking about what we should get for certain things in the IT area, I'm very marginal. So, I tried to read before today and look through the proposals. I'm still having trouble comparing one with the other, but that's where I'm at.

Mike said Tom.

Tom said yeah I have very similar comments to Gary I guess. Yeah I don't know, I don't know what we, exactly what we're getting, and I'm not here to deal with it like Laura is.

Mike said are either of you prepared to make a recommendation. I'm not hearing one so I'm going to recommend that we hire LEAP Managed IT.

Tom said I guess I'd second the motion so we can hear some discussion maybe. I think that's what we're supposed to do.

Mike said well I have a motion and a second to hire LEAP Managed IT as our IT consultant. And I think one of the, pointed out, it's hard to say if it's less expensive or not, but the defined scope of work is a little easier to follow for me. And it seems to be potentially less expensive as we go forward. And so that's the reason I've made that decision to recommend them.

Tom said yeah I think I would agree, I think potentially it would cost less. But yeah, it's still just pretty up in the air, depending on how much we need, how much on site help we need, whether we can do this remotely. Hopefully those people can do things remotely. Most problems can be resolved remotely.

Mike said thoughts Gary.

Gary said well I pretty much made my comment. You're the one of the three of us I think has the most knowledge. I know it's more than what I've got. On the IT part, I expect people to do that. I have a nephew who's into that. He makes a good living at it. But it's beyond me so. I came in, I came into the, when I started college I used a slide rule.

Mike said when I first practiced law, I used to throw out reference forms with eight carbon copies in them. You make a mistake on one of those, it's the whole process so. Having said that, I think going forward with either group, and I made the recommendation of LEAP, Five Star, moving from snail mail to office 365, was in my mind, a big advancement for the county. And I think some of the things that security issues, I think we continue to monitor those and

improve that situation. I think we'd be, we're going to be better off. So, anything else. So, the motion's been made. It's been seconded. All in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.

All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said appreciate your time and appreciate your service of the telephones. Anything else to come before the commissioners today.

**Adjournment**

Mike said I'd entertain a motion to adjourn.

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Reviewed and signed this 7 day of November, 2022.

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