

SWITZERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

~~May 13, 2026~~

June 16<sup>th</sup> 2026

REGULAR MEETING –WEDNESDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

The Switzerland County Council met in a regular session pursuant to law and by being duly advertised.

Those present: Carrie Barwick, Todd Chase, Kim Janssen, Lance Collier, Scott Crandell, Mat Dutkiewicz and Patti Kappes. County Auditor, Gayle Sullivan. Garrett Bascom-county attorney

Scott Crandell called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of the minutes from the May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting. Kim made a motion to approve and Carrie second. All in favor.

Assessor's office presentation on new property assessments-Stacey Mathews spoke about the increase in assessments and stated the state increased the cost tables 35% across the board. She introduced Shane Thornsberry with Vision Government Solutions. He spoke about the cost tables and the increase the state has done. Mat spoke about the Assessor being able to challenge this. Stacey stated that the county doesn't have the resources, manpower or finances to create our own cost tables. Discussion was had between the council and the Assessor. Scott stated that the county is not directly compared to Marion County.

Summary update from county casino lobbyist G2 Strategies-Scott stated new point of contact, hold harmless could likely go away and could possibly tax the sports wagering. Kim asked Garret about the possibility of the tax on sports wagering. Discussion was had amongst council.

Park board appropriation-\$150.00 from the sale of a sprayer. Kim made a motion to appropriate \$150.00 to the equipment line for the park board and Patti second. All in favor.

Wheel tax-Dusty spoke about the suspension of the gasoline tax and how it will affect the county. He also spoke about a map that was passed out and showed the roads in the county and the rating of each road. Showing the need for the wheel tax to help with the paving of the roads. Dusty also talked about the CCMG grants that they have used and will continue to use. More discussion was had about the roads and their condition. Finance committee controls the investment of county funds and the council allocates the money. Scott made a motion to have excise \$35.00 and wheel at \$50.00. Patti made a second. All in favor. Scott made a motion to have the first public hearing immediately following the county council on July 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm. Lance made a second. All in favor.

**Board Reports**

Kim-@ the proving ground with all counties

Todd-none

Scott-none

Carrie-none

Patti-EMA on the 24th

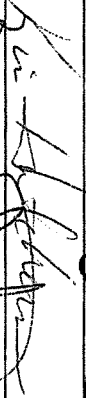
Lance-none

Mat-none

With nothing further business to come before the board, Kim made a motion to adjourn, second by Patti. All in favor. Meeting ended @ 5:57pm.

  
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Gayle Sullivan, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana