

SWITZERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

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

Those present: County Council: Scott Crandell, Todd Chase, Carrie Barwick, Mat Dutkewicz, Lance Collier and Kim Hutcherson. County Auditor, Gayle Sullivan. County Attorney-Garrett Bascom. Patti Kappes was absent

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

Approval of minutes from Auguste 12th regular meeting. Carrie made a motion to approve minutes and Kim second. All in favor.

Approval of the minutes from the special meeting on July 23rd. Lance made a motion to approve and Carrie second. All in favor.

Approval of the minutes from the special joint meeting regarding the Ogle Haus on the 7th of August. Kim made amotion to approve and Lance second. Scott, Todd, Carrie, Lance and Kim-Yay. Mat-abstained.

Approval of the minutes from the special meeting regarding the wheel tax on 8th of July. Todd made a motion to approve and Lance second. All in favor.

Appropriation from the general fund to the highway fund for the buggy plate fee. The amount of the appropriation is \$18,950.00 Carrie made a motion to approve the appropriation and Todd made a second. All in favor.

County Tourism and Vevay Town presentation on Paul Pgle Park plan and request to raise lnkkeepers tax 3%. Discussion was had about what the project itself and what would be done. Discussion was also had about changing the verbiage so the county could include the campgrounds. Also, discussion about who owns this and who would carry insurance. There was no real clear answer for this as it be the Town? Or Tourism? Garret spoke about the Tourism board and the Commissioners have a decision on who is appointed. He also states that the individual should have experience or somehow in the same field to be on the commission for the Tourism.

Lance made a motion to approve all three application that were presented from grant revenue in the casino fund; CAC, Lifetime and Safe Passage. Carrie made a second. Discussion was had amongst the council. Carrie and Lance-yay, Scott, Todd, Kim and Mat-nay. Motion fails.

Mat made a motion to approve CAC and Safe Passage and to send back Lifetime Resources to the Commissioners. Kim second. All in favor.

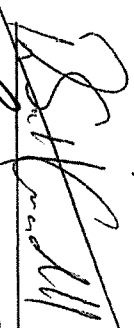
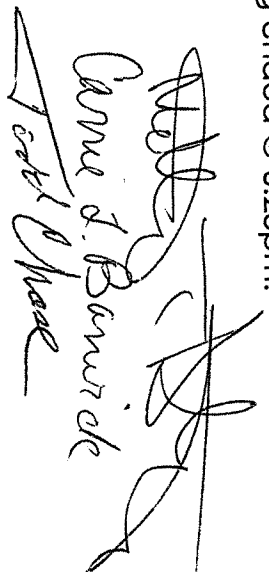
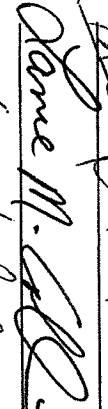
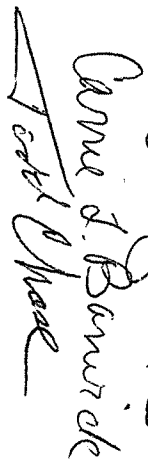
Budget update-Discussion was had about the Commissioner's funds and if they had submitted them. Scott spoke about the reduction that were done at the last meeting and what still needs to be done to cut the general fund further to get it balanced. Scott also mentioned the possibility of a 3% raise for all county employees. More discussion was had about the advertising meeting and adoption meeting. The adoption meeting would be on the 28th of September @ 6pm with the adoption after the regular meeting on October 14th. The judge's

supplemental salary being removed from the budget. Garrett spoke as to what he had learned. Garrett will share information with council on the matter.

Board Reports

Scott-none
Kim-none
Lance-none
Todd-none
Mat-none
Carrie-none

With nothing further to come before the board, Kim made a motion to adjourn, second by Todd. All in favor. Meeting ended @ 6:23pm.

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 _____	 Todd

Attest: 

Gayle Sullivan, Auditor
Switzerland County, Indiana