

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

*September 2, 2025*  
~~August 18, 2025~~

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

The Switzerland County Board of Commissioners met in regular session pursuant to law and by being duly advertised.

Those present – Commissioners: Jamie Peters and Joe Bennett, auditor: Gayle Sullivan; County Attorney Garrett Bascom. Dusty Hunt -Hwy Superintendent. Ryan Harrison was absent.

Joe called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of minutes from August 18, 2025 regular meeting. Jamie made a motion and Joe second. All in favor

Approval of Minutes from joint meeting on July 23, 2025-tabled

Approval of claims. Jamie made a motion to approve claims as presented and Joe made a second. All in favor.

**Hwy Superintendent-Dusty Hunt**

- Mowing roadsides & trimming tree limbs
- Slip repair on Bodey Hill, Bethel Ridge & Searcy Ridge
- Continue chip and seal-Hilltop has not run the rest of the rock yet. About 5 miles from being done.
- Follow up meeting with FEMA on 8/25-all projects have been submitted & they are reviewing
- Ask about fall clean-up-last year 10/11-10/13-Jamie made a motion to approve 7 dumpsters for fall clean up 10/10/25-10/12/25. Joe second. All in favor.

**Old Business**

- a. Allen Likenhaus-survey was done. Portion of North Drive that was never developed when the county took over. Request is to vacate a portion of North Drive. Garret requested that a Petition to vacate and notice to all land adjoining land. Then the commissioner will have a hearing.
- b. John Welch-ordinance-John was not present-Discussion was had about what the commissioners would like to do. Garrett will look into an ordinance for a manure bag on the horse and not the road.

**New Business**

- a. Herschel Brichto-HWC Engineering-spoke about the OCRA grant which will need an income survey. Regional Planning will do that for no fee and the county will have to pay for the mailings. Possibly a couple thousand dollars. HWC Engineering can help with the entire process for the county. The current book and all the changes that the county is wanting to make and the comprehensive plan. Jamie made a motion to approve \$2000.00 to help with the SRPC grant and Joe second. All in favor
- b. Heather Rieman-backfill position-Discussion was had about the salary and what Heather would offer a new person. The pay right now is \$17.00 and would most likely offer the same to a new person. Jamie asked that before a raise was given for Heather to come back to the commissioners and discuss with them and they have the final decision. Joe made a motion to approve the backfill of the position and Jamie second. All in favor.

- c. Patty Jackson- last meeting the bids were opened and only had one bid. The state said there was no need to open the bids back up and it was good to go with only one bid. With this it would make 28 homes and the grant was for 30 so they need two more homes. Joe made a motion to approve the bids that were discussed at the August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Jamie second. All in favor
- d. EDI contract-new contract for the commissioners to sign and mark effected today. Joe made a motion to approve EDI contract starting today for the amount of \$20,304.00. Jamie second. All in favor
- e. ARPA-money was reimbursed and put into the wrong account. SBOA said we cannot put back in ARPA and needs to be put into another account.
- f. Rainy Day fund-ordinance was drawn up and money can be spent however.
- g. Discussion was had about getting radios for some of the highway dept. Possibly using some of the old ones from the fire departments or SCER.
- h. Jon Bond-discussion about the SAMID# Resolution stating what our name is and the address. Joe made a motion to approve Resolution - 2-25-8. Jamie second. All in favor.

### Board Reports

Jamie-none  
Joe-none  
Ryan-absent

With no further business to come before the board, Joe made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jamie. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Attest:

  
Gayle Sullivan, Auditor  
Switzerland County, Indiana

  
