MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton County Courthouse, 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner Jordan Brewer called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

ABSENT

Jordan Brewer Josh Uitts Bert Weaver

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Rick Campbell, Rich Kelly, Rodney Wann, Renee Crick, Brett Barton, Liz Stitzel, Britt Ostler, and others are shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brewer led the pledge of allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Andy Robertson spoke in regards to the county cemeteries. He stated that it is possible to establish a county cemetery commission. He presented information and a list of Indiana counties that have already established a commission. He stated that Hamilton and Switzerland Counties seem to be the benchmark and provided reports.

Commissioner Uitts stated that Mr. Robertson would be an ideal candidate for the board if they chose to create one.

IN THE MATTER OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCE PROGRAM UPDATES

Esmeralda Cruz gave an update on four programs. She gave information on the Frankfort Hispanic Heritage Festival to be held on October 17th, Education after High School, Friends for Life program, and the Citizens Police Academy.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell reported they are still putting weight limit signs up for the bridges for emergency vehicles. They have three mowers mowing in the county. Midwest Paving has started paving Greenlawn Road and Prairie Ave. They should be doing the top coat today, and be done by Thursday or Friday, and then move on to 800 West.

IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN

Liz Stitzel reported a tall grass complaint in the business district on South 380 East. Commissioner Uitts motioned to cite the property, mow it, and put a lean against it. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the 2023 holiday schedule, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Brett Barton spoke in regards to the opioid settlement and the restricted and unrestricted fund use. He would like the Commissioners to reach out to some of the department heads for input when they get ready to allocate the funds. Commissioner Brewer stated that he would like to form a committee with our community partners and county agencies that deal with this directly, and they would then bring a recommendation back to the commissioners for the best use of those funds. From his understanding there will be match funds available that can make a big impact on the community. Their first step is setting up the fund, Tom will draw up paperwork so we can accept the money.

Renee Crick reported that she authorized tornado siren activation early last week based on information given to her by an off duty officer that is a trained weather spotter. He had spotted two funnel clouds with active rotation.

Rodney Wann acknowledged Renee and the groups participating in the successful large-scale emergency drill. They had a large turn out with multiple county agencies and schools involvement. Commissioner Brewer stated he had received multiple comments of how well that drill was run. He thanked them for their service to the community.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Weaver stated he received phone calls from the police and county swat team and they would like to access and utilize the old Regions Building for training exercises. He motioned to allow them to utilize the building for training. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Weaver reported that he noticed the rail on the outside of the annex building was on the ground and placed it in the hallway here.

Commissioner Uitts motioned for county employees to participate in the United Way Fair Share Program. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissione Uitts motioned the September 19th meeting to be canceled due to the AIC Conference. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated August 26, 2022 in the amount of \$15,394.69 Friday claims dated September 2, 2022 in the amount of \$29,433.15 Bi-weekly claims dated September 7, 2022 in the amount of \$220,787.88 Court claims dated September 7, 2022 in the amount of \$5,433.00

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll dated August 12, 2022 in the amount of \$437,062.85

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated August 22, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Weaver. Motion carried 3-0.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Weaver at 9: 30 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY Jordan Brewer, President Josh U

Bert Weaver

ATTEST: Britt Ostler, Auditor