

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

October 16, 2024

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on October 16, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the Frankfort Municipal Airport, 3009-SR 28, Frankfort, IN 46041.

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

PRESENT

Jordan Brewer

Bert Weaver

ABSENT

Josh Uitts

Others in attendance were Rick Campbell, Rodney Wann, Brett Barton, Liz Stitzel, Rich Kelly, Tammy Sanders, Shawn Mayfield, Mary King, Kevin Myers, 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

No public comments were received.

IN THE MATTER OF LANDFILL UPDATE

Dan Baietto was not present at the meeting.

Commissioner Brewer stated that the county received the 1.5 million check from Republic Services.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell presented an unofficial detour for SR 75 for next March to use 500 N to 0 to 300 N. ending in July but it shouldn't take that long. Commissioner Weaver motioned to accept the unofficial detour. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Rick presented change orders #3 and #4 for the roundabout project. Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the change orders. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Rick has hired one person that will need his CDL training. He starts next week and will sign the agreement.

They are patching, hauling stone, and mowing sided ditches. They should be done paving Michigantown road Thursday.

IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN UPDATE

Liz Stitzel reported they are getting ready to post tear down orders on two different houses. One is 9837 E Hillis Street in Hillisburg. The other is 3175 S SR 39 in Antioch. She will let all parties know.

The mowing complaint south of Frankfort that has been resolved.

There have been some bonding issues with the Michigantown house, she has put an inspection hold on it for now. The bonding company is stating the only way they will write the bond the way the county wants it is to sign a contract between the Commissioners and Mr. Wagoner. Someone will need to draft this contract to specify what is expected from Mr. Wagoner. She will send the details to Tom to write up the contract and once the commissioners review it Liz can offer it to Mr. Wagoner. Once the contract is signed they can move forward with getting the bond in place.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve Envoy Invoice for \$8,858.96. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Steven Deckard presented two new Clinical Site Agreements for the Paramedic Program from Jackson and Boone County ER.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve both agreements. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve a sign placement request from St. Marys Society of St. Vincent De Paul for the annual bazaar and craft show. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Steven Deckard presented the EMS job satisfaction surveys broken down by shift which shows they did exceptionally well in all categories except promotional opportunities. They are well above the national average.

Commissioner Brewer addressed Sheriff Kelly by reading an excerpt from a document the Sheriff submitted to the commissioners the previous evening.

Sheriff's Recommendation:

It is my duty to hold the deputies of my office accountable. It was also determined that Deputy Trump was untruthful and withheld information during the internal investigation into the criminal conduct. This gross misconduct must be addressed in a way that sends a clear message of zero tolerance or the faith of the public and standards of this office will be compromised. Deputy Trump's conduct is a violation of Indiana law and contrary to the established Rules and Regulations of the Clinton County Sheriff's Office and the Clinton County Sheriff's Merit Board, known to and accepted by Deputy Trump upon her employment with this Office. Because of her dishonesty, she can no longer serve as a credible law enforcement witness and can no longer serve to protect the victims of such crimes.

Commissioner Brewer asked Sheriff Kelly if this was his statement to which Sheriff Kelly replied yes sir. Commissioner Brewer asked if that also applied to himself and Ashley.

Sheriff Kelly replied that is something to be determined, the Merit Board has no direction over our employment or position or his position as an elected official. Commissioner Brewer asked if the Matron position follows the Clinton County Law Enforcement Policy Manual or not. Sheriff stated no it does not.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

There were no Commissioner reports.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

Friday claims dated October 11, 2024 in the amount of \$41,184.56
Bi-weekly claims dated October 16, 2024 in the amount of \$234,283.73
Court claims dated October 16, 2024 in the amount of \$16,550.46

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Weaver addressed turning in proper detailed payroll hours to the Auditor's office with the Sheriff. Sheriff Kelly stated he talked with the Auditor and his staff to correct this issue. A lengthy discussion followed regarding the details and importance of timekeeping.

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


Payroll dated September 20, 2024 in the amount of \$544,026.43

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Weaver motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Brewer 9:29 a.m. Motion carried 2-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



Jordan Brewer, President



Bert Weaver

ATTEST:

Britt Ostler, Auditor