

REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA, MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Rob Miller; Commissioner Tom Wall; Commissioner Terry Stoffel; Bridgett Burkhart, Office Manager; Gretchen Lenfestey, Office Manager; Stefanie Barrioz, HR Director; Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager; Andy Boxberger, Carson LLP; Dave Hacker, Highway Operations Foreman; Auditor Jill Landrum; Bob Jeffers, EMA Director; Thomas Fuller, EMA Deputy Director; Alan Bowers; Hank Miller; Ilene Haluska, Indiana Plain Dealer; Dr. Matt Pflieger; Don Freiburger; Mike Thompson; Alicia Symons, Chief Sanitarian; Kyle Lund UWRBC; Doug Sundling, UWRBC; Terry Miller, County Council; Chris Parker; Charlie Chapman; Jessica Huscher, Executive Director Council on Aging; Lisa Harbuck, HAT Transportation Manager; Erik Long, Elevate Huntington; John P. Michaels;

The meeting was live streamed via YouTube.

Commissioner Miller called the March 10, 2025, Commissioner Meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

2/24/2025

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Minutes from the February 24, 2025, meeting. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS)

3/12/2025

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Claim Docket for March 12, 2025. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL)

3/7/2025

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Payroll Docket for March 7, 2025. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Upper Wabash River Basin Commission

Doug Sundling spoke with the Commissioners regarding a staffing issue that they encountered in recent months. He stated that there are no funds unaccounted for. He also provided an overview of what the UWRBC does.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE)

2025-02

Tom Wall made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-02: An Ordinance establishing sanitation standards and inspections and procedures related to lodging establishments in Huntington County. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Community Challenge Flagship Grant Application

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the submittal of their grant application in the amount of \$12,650.00. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote. If awarded these funds will be utilized for box fan distribution and weather radios.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Community Crossings Matching Grant

Commissioner Miller announced that Huntington County received \$1,477,458.00 in Community Crossings funding.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Unofficial Detour

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the unofficial Detour. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF RECOGNITION)

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Moriarity Presentation

Huntington County Commissioners honored a request by Ardella Moriarity to recognize her late husband, Richard ‘Dick’ Moriarity for his unwavering kindness, generosity, and dedication to the people of Huntington County left a lasting impact on our community.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

New Office Manager

Huntington County Commissioners have hired a New Office Manager. Her name is Gretchen Lenfestey, she has a background in Banking. Gretchen has a degree in accounting from Purdue University and will be a great asset to the County.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Purdue Extension – 2025 Contract

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the 2025 Purdue extension contract. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters

Commissioner Miller shared that Huntington County recently received a generous donation from the Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters to help pay for a significant portion of the HVAC update that was recently completed on the O’Donnell Center at Victory Noll campus.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Highway Bids and Quotes

Bridgett Burkhart, Highway Superintendent, reviewed the 2025 Annual Bids and Quotes with the Commissioners. She stated that each bid and quote met the required specifications. Tom Wall made a motion to approve all bids and quotes. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

De-obligation of Funds

Jessica Huscher, Huntington Area of Transportation provided a notification of De-obligation funds for 2024. Tom Wall made a motion to approve the De-obligation. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Heritage Days Equipment Use

Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager, recommended getting a certificate of insurance listing the Huntington County Commissioners as additional insured from the Chamber of Commerce when borrowing the Gator UTV for Heritage Days.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Full Service Mechanical Agreement

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Preventative Maintenance Agreement with Full Service Mechanical (FSM) pending approval by the County Attorney. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

UGS Compliance Agreement

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the UGS Compliance Agreement. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

Commissioner Terry Stoffel stepped out of the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Shelton Specialties

Tom Wall made the motion to approve the Purchase Agreement from Shelton Specialties in the amount of \$1,140.00. Rob Miller seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 2-0 vote.

The Commissioners recessed at 10:33 a.m.

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IN THE MATTER OF RECESS)

Rob Miller made a motion to recess until the next meeting of the Huntington County Commissioners on Monday, March 10, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 2-0 vote.

These Minutes were approved on Monday, March 24, 2025. A signed physical copy of this document is available by request in the Commissioners' Office located at 201 North Jefferson Street. Huntington, Indiana