# REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA, MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Commissioner Rob Miller; Commissioner Tom Wall; Commissioner Terry Stoffel; Bridgett Burkhart, Highway Superintendent; Stefanie Barrioz, HR Director; Gretchen Lenfestey, Office Manager; Andy Boxberger, Carson LLP; Dave Hacker, Highway Operations Foreman; Auditor Jill Landrum; Terry Miller, County Council; Ilene Haluska, Indiana Plain Dealer; Don Freiburger; Alan Bowers; Marilyn Bradford; Mike Thompson; Mark Wickersham, HCUED; Chief Deputy Chad Hammel; Sheriff Chris Newton; Keith Eller; Tim Eckert; Patti Smith; Jay Smith

The meeting was live streamed via YouTube.

Commissioner Miller called the April 21, 2025, Commissioner Meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

## IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

#### 4/7/2025

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Minutes from the April 7, 2025, meeting. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS)

#### 4/23/2025

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Claim Docket for April 23,2025. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL)

#### 4/18/2025

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Payroll Docket for April 18, 2025. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

#### Roanoke Sewer Plant - Letter of Commitment

Tom Wall made a motion committing Local Income Tax (LIT) funds to Roanoke Town Council in the amount of \$250,000 in 2026 and \$250,000 in 2027 from Project 4 for their sewer expansion project. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

## **Fuel Agreement**

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Fuel Agreement, effective June 1, 2025, at a rate of \$0.35 per gallon. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

## IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

#### **CSG Forte Payments, Inc**

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Third Amendment to Payment Processing Agreement with CSG Forte Payments. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

## **American Financial Credit Services**

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Vendor Service Agreement with American Financial Credit Services. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

# IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION)

## 2025-06

Tom Wall made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-06: Region 3-A Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. Terry Stoffel seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

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## IN THE MATTER OF INVOICES)

#### **Cumulative Courthouse Funds**

Tom Wall made a motion to pay New Era Technology invoice in the amount of \$23,342.99 from Cumulative Courthouse funds. Terry Stoffel seconded, the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF CONTRACTS)

#### MakeMyMove - Remote Worker Recruiting

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the MakeMyMove Remote Worker Recruiting Contract. Terry Stoffel seconded, the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

## IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

### **Site Selection Award**

Mark Wickersham, HCUED presented the Site Selection Award to the Commissioners. He also provided an update on the six projects that have been completed year-to-date in 2025.

## IN THE MATTER OF PERMIT)

#### CR Wall Rd

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Application for Permit for Heartland R.E.M.C. in the location of CR Wall Rd between CR 700 South and South Warren Rd 224. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF PERMIT)

#### 7158 N 329 E

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Application for Permit for Miller Pipeline in the location of CR N 329 between CR E 716 North and CR E 722 North. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

#### IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

#### **Contracts & Agreements**

County Attorney Andy Boxberger of Carson LLP is working to ensure that all future contracts, ordinances, resolutions, and agreements are submitted to him for review at least one week prior to Commissioner meetings.

# IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

#### **BZA Board Appointment**

The commissioners are looking for someone to fulfill a BZA (Board of Zoning and Appeals) Board Appointment that has recently opened. This appointment is for the remainder of a 4-year term beginning immediately and ending 12/31/2027.

## IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

## 2024 Annual Sheriff's Report

Sheriff Chris Newton presented the Sheriff's Office 2024 Annual Report, noting a significant upcoming budget impact due to the loss of phone and video call fee revenue. These fees have traditionally funded the commissary and were used to help cover the cost of most vehicle purchases. With this funding source going away, the way they budget for these expenses will need to change substantially.

## IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

# **Veteran Services Officer Update**

Tim Eckert, Veteran Services Officer, provided an update on his outreach efforts for veteran for the first quarter of 2025. A VA Clinic Outreach event will take place on Saturday, May 10, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post #85 in Huntington. Representatives will be on-site to answer questions and provide information.

# IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

## **Clerk of the Circuit Court Report**

Gretchen Lenfestey, Office Manager, presented the Clerk of the Circuit Court Report for the month ending March 31, 2025, as prepared by Shelley Septer, Clerk of Huntington Circuit/Superior Courts.

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# IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

# Treasurer's Report

Gretchen Lenfestey, Office Manager, presented the County Treasurer's report for the month ending March 31, 2025, as prepared by Brenda Hamilton, County Treasurer.

#### IN THE MATTER OF RECESS)

Rob Miller made a motion to recess until the next meeting of the Huntington County Commissioners on Monday May 5, 2025, at 8:30 a.m. Tom Wall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously with a 3-0 vote.

These Minutes were approved on Monday, May 5, 2025. A signed physical copy of this document is available by request in the Commissioners' Office located at 201 North Jefferson Street. Huntington, Indiana