Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
April 19, 2022
6:00 P.M.

Shawn Carruthers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance

Present: President Shawn Carruthers, Vice President John Schellenberger and Tim Kamer

**Also Present:** Attorney Rick Fox, Judge Carrie Stiller, Clerk Danita Burks, Assessor James Sinks and Councilpersons Dale Bagshaw and Denise Konkle

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for the family of City Councilman, Bob Caesar, who passed away.

### **New Business:**

### 1. Building Authority-Scott Stewart

a. 2050 Renovation Update

Aaron Combs gave an update on the work underway to renovate the City County Building in to a judicial center and determine the feasibility of a County Government and Life Center at the North Annex. Following the passing of Ordinances with the Council, Commissioners and Building Authority, the RFP for the North Annex was issued last Thursday. The deadline for response is May 27. The Building Authority is nearing completion of the RFP for the City County Building with the intent to be reviewed and accepted by the Board of Directors. The Building Authority plans to issue the RFP shortly after the Board's approval. The RFPs will create the conditions for one or more developer to be selected to prepare details that will outline the details of the project with estimated costs, financing strategies and a schedule for the work to be done. This work will enable the Commissioners, in the case of the North Annex, and the Building Authority for the City County Building, if such proposals are viable to enter into a formal agreement with the successful developers on or about September 1.

# 2. New Albany Fire District-Reuben Cummings

a. Cumulative Fire Fund

Reuben Cummins spoke on behalf of the New Albany Fire District to reestablish the Cumulative Fund.

John Schellenberger asked if it needs County council approval. Mr. Cummings stated the Council approves the budget but the Commissioners approve the max rate.

Mr. Cummings stated they had a public hearing.

Motion to table the Cumulative Fire Fund for New Albany Fire District to the first meeting in May. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

## 3. Director of Operations and Planning-Don Lopp

a. LWCF Grant Application

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Don Lopp requested to pursue a Land, Water, Conservation Fund Grant through the Indiana Department of Resources. The purpose for the grant request is to assist in the purchase of land in Georgetown Township. It consist of 156 acres and an adjacent 78 acres that the County has been working on in the past 1-1/2 years to create a regional park. The regional park will have the ability to create fields for HYR and Floyds Knobs Community Club, walking and hiking trails and provide future agricultural lands for Floyd County 4H. On April 26 the Parks Department will have a public meeting, The total land acquisition could be 1.3 million dollars. The grant assistance is \$500,000.00. They have made preliminary contacts to private foundations.

In 2016, they purchased and financed 10 dump trucks, the last payment will be in 2023 and will free up \$275,000.00.

Shawn Carruthers stated this is a game changer for Floyd County, a boost for the Georgetown area and will benefit the youth, as well as, a magnet for tourism.

Tim Kamer thanked Don Lopp for spear heading this project. Georgetown is exploding in population and would love to see this come in to fruition.

John Schellenberger stated it is next to Novaparke and provides solutions for the ballparks and provides another entrance to an adjacent subdivision.

Motion to approve. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

b. FCO 2022 -10 Amendment to the Floyd County American Rescue Plan Don Lopp stated the amendments are administrative changes to allocations for addressing negative impact, sewer allocations for Buffalo Trace and Altawood, and County Council's addition of Youth Shelter's salary.

Motion to approve FCO 2202-10 Amendment to the American Rescue Plan with unanimous consent. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. Southern Indiana Transportation TABLED
- d. South Schreiber Road Construction Agreement TABLED
- e. Multi-modal and Transit Study Grant KIPDA-INDOT

Motion to approve FCR 2022-10. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. Louisville Paving Company

a. Bridge 506 Update

Louisville Paving asked to extend the contract from June 1 to July 1 due to delays of the utility companies.

Motion to allow the Louisville Paving to extent the contract from June 1 to July 1 for Bridge 506. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 5. County Attorney-Rick Fox

a. Greenville Township Fire Protection District Quick Claim Deeds Attorney, Rick Fox, stated Greenville Township Fire District needs real estate quick claim deeded to them on Edwardsville Galena Road and Floyd Street. Motion to approve Greenville Township Fire District Quick claim deeds for execution by the president. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

 FCR 2022-10 Resolution for Commissioner President Electronic Signature for Grant KIPDA-INDOT

Motion for FCR 2022-10. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

c. KLDiscovery Contract

Motion to approve KLDiscovery Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Kightlinger & Gray Contract

Motion to approve Kightlinger & Gray Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

# 6. County Commissioner-Tim Kamer

a. Discussion on Subcommittee for 2050 Building Renovation

Tim Kamer stated he would like to form committees for all the stakeholders for all three building projects.

Shawn Carruthers would like to include parking in the plans.

Motion for the formation of subcommittees and to be the representative for the Commissioners, with representation from the Council, as well as, the stakeholders for each project. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

## 7. Board & Committee Reports

Tim Kamer stated the Legacy Foundation is taking applications for non-profits.

Shawn Carruthers met with Council members to discuss the Animal Shelter.

Shawn Carruthers and John Schellenberger attended a Commissioners' luncheon at Prosser including a tour.

Shawn Carruthers attended a Plan Commission Meeting discussing the development of property behind Jay C on highway 150.

Shawn Carruthers attended a Commissioner round table in Harrison County with Lieutenant Governor. They discussed the problems with the State.

Shawn Carruthers spent the day at Recycling. He learned about recycling in our community. Shawn Carruthers met with Edwardsville Water discussing how they can maximize the grants they received from ARP.

Shawn Carruthers and John Schellenberger met with the Parks, Little League and 4H. Lieutenant Governor visited Novaparke and gave tips on other grants they can apply for. John Schellenberger encouraged everyone to visit Prosser. They have state of the art body shop.

 Marine Corps League requests for roadblock on May 21, 2022, and October 8, 2022, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Paoli Pike and Scottsville Road. They will be collecting donations for Toys for Tots. Motion to approve and include the notification to the Sheriff's Department. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

- Let the record show the Commissioners have received the New Albany-Floyd County Library Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes for March 7, 2022
- Approval of the April 5, 2022 Commissioners Meeting Minutes
   Motion to approve. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.
  - Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

## **Closing Statements**

John Schellenberger stated that the Health Department is still administering COVID Vaccines on Mondays and Thursdays.

John Schellenberger visited Greenville Water and saw the new vacuum truck they purchased with ARP money.

John Schellenberger stated there would be an RDA meeting at Pineview on April 29. READI will be discussed and encouraged everyone to attend.

John Schellenberger stated April 30 is Pollinator Day at Purdue.

John Schellenberger stated he received an email from Elizabeth James with Comcast. She stated they received approval from OCRA to serve 66 homes in Floyd County. The County contributed \$112,000.00. Cards have been set out to test broadband speed so areas that need service will be identified.

Tim Kamer stated there are more projects on the docket for parks.

### **Public**

Dale Bagshaw stated he would like to be on the subcommittee for the renovations. James Sinks asked if office holders would be included in the subcommittees. Tim Kamer stated they would be for their respective buildings.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

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Shawn Carruthers, President	
John Schellenberger, Vice President	
Tim Kamer, Commissioner	
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