

**Meeting Minutes  
Board of Commissioners  
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104  
New Albany IN 47150  
October 18, 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, Assessor James Sink, Auditor Jacqueline Wenning and Councilman Dale Bagshaw

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for the men and women of the military and fellow citizens affected by the hurricane.

**Old Business:**

**1. County Attorney-Rick Fox**

- a. FCO 2022-31 Travel Lodging Reimbursement - TABLED

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

**New Business:**

**1. Building Authority-Scott Stewart**

- a. 2050 Project Update

Scott Stewart stated the City County Building opened 61 years ago on Oct 18. It has been a challenge for the past 10 – 20 years on how to stretch the useful life of the infrastructure while ensuring the continuity of the central services.

Chuck Edwards, Superintendent of City County Building, stated all the building's electrical, plumbing, mechanical and other systems have surpassed their useful life by 30 years. The building has served the county well but the systems are obsolete and parts are no longer available. If the building is renovated it will need to be evacuated due to asbestos. His professional opinion is the cost to keep the building running and comfortable is estimated to be \$700,000.00 – 800,000.00 per year for the next 10 years if the renovation does not take place.

Scott Stewart asked the Commissioners to keep all of this information in mind when considering the building projects for the Judicial Center and administrative offices.

**2. River Hills-Chelsea Crump**

- a. Environmental Review for Fairmont

Chelsea Crump stated River Hills is assisting Rauch with their application for the Fairmont Neighborhood Center renovation project. They are applying through the Office for Community and Rural Affairs for a public facilities program. Rauch has held two public hearings and will hold two more. The total cost for the project is \$537,580.00. Rauch can apply up to \$333,837.00 in grant funds and will cover the remaining amount.

The project will include an accessible sidewalk, installation of covered awning, replace chain link fence with vinyl fencing, paint interior and exterior of the building, installation of a new roof, enlargement of entrance doorway to accommodate wheelchairs, replacement of flooring throughout the building, remodel of kitchen and bathrooms and replacing HVAC systems throughout the building.

**Motion to approve River Hills Economic Development District and Regional Planning to prepare and submit the minutes that are required for the Community Development Block Grant. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve the Environmental Review Letter that goes to IDEM. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve Four Factor Analysis for Limited English Proficiency Persons. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

***3. Floyds Knobs Water Company-Danny Standiford***

**a. ARP Funding discussion**

Danny Standiford requested moving some of the ARP funds to other projects.

**Motion to transfer \$243,500.00 from 2021-WTR-03 to 2021-WTR-04 Buffalo Trail 8" water main, transfer \$10,440.00 to 2021-WTR-05 backup generator elevated tank Paoli Pike, also from 2021-WTR-03 Emergency 8" connection, leaving a surplus of \$611,000.00 which they will allocate \$300,000.00 for substitution project for Highland Avenue water main replacement, as well as, the substitution project for Leak Detection for \$100,000.00. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

***4. United Consulting-Robert Stein***

**a. Bridge Inventory Report**

Jon San Giorgio reviewed the bridge inspection report completed in April 2022.

***5. Director of Operations-Don Lopp***

**a. FCO 2022-32 – Speed limit – Charlestown Road**

FCO-2022-32 reduces the speed limit on Charlestown Road from Lewis Endres Parkway to County Line Road to 35 mph.

**Motion to approve, with unanimous consent, FCO 2022-32 an ordinance establishing and confirming speed limits on county roads and highways. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

FCO 2022-33 Designating Stop Intersection & Directing Place of Stop Sign  
**Motion to approve, with unanimous consent, FCO 2022-33 Designating a Stop Sign Intersection and Directing the Erection of Stop Sign. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. Charlestown Road Trail – Contract Amendment – Strand  
The majority of the amendment pertains to the wetlands, map amendment and path redesign. The amendments results in an increase from \$23,100.00 to \$73,600.00.  
**Motion to approve the contract amendment for Charlestown Road Trail through Strand. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

c. Knob Hill Plat Approval  
**Motion to approve Knob Hill Plat Section 8 Plat 1535. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

d. Public Hearing Date – Vacation of Platted Easement  
Don Lopp stated Nick Creevy received a request for vacation of easement in Reflection Lake.  
**Motion to have a public hearing for vacation of platted easement in Reflection Lake on November 1. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

e. American Rescue Plan – Update  
Don Lopp stated Edwardsville Water is using part of their ARP funds for their water tower improvements on Frank Ott Road. The Grantline Road Signalization is complete. The Oakes Way paving will be completed this week.  
**Motion to approve for Heritage Engineering to do the preliminary engineering design for Whipperwill, Fairway and Golfland. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

f. Southern Indiana Transportation Service Contract  
This contract will provide on demand transportation to urbanized areas in the county.

**Motion to approve the Southern Indiana Transportation Service Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

g. Charter Broadband Contract

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

## **6. County Attorney-Rick Fox**

a. Engagement Contract

Rick Fox stated this contract is with Hoover Hull and Turner regarding litigation conflict issues.  
**Motion to approve. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. FCO 2022-34 Establishing Flexible Spend Account Fund #5220

**Motion to approve FCO 2022-34 Establishing Flexible Spend Account Fund #5220. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **7. Board & Committee Reports**

John Schellenberger, Don Lopp and Nick Creevy met with Elizabeth James with Spectrum. Spectrum was awarded additional customers. John Schellenberger encourages residents without internet to register at [in.gov/ocra/broadband/icp](http://in.gov/ocra/broadband/icp).

- Approval of the October 4, 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.**

- Let the record show the Commissioners have received the September 2022 monthly meeting minutes from the Board of Trustees New Albany-Floyd County Public Library
- Let the record show the Commissioners have received the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter report from EMS.

John Schellenberger documented his findings for New Chapel emergency runs for third quarter.

	July	August	Sept			July		
<b>Destination</b>	<b>Tone Outs</b>	<b>Tone Outs</b>	<b>Tone Outs</b>	<b>Totals</b>			<b>Emergency</b>	<b>Emergency</b>
Adubon	0	0	1	1		<b>ALL</b>	<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>Fire</b>
AMR	0	0	1	1	<b>Count</b>	272	248	248
Baptist East	0	1	0	1	<b>Total Response Time</b>	2868.77	2683.88	1963.42
BHF	148	141	116	405	<b>Average</b>	10.55	10.82	7.92
CMF	16	16	19	51				
Cncl	10	16	8	34		<b>August</b>		
F Home	0	0	2	2			<b>Emergency</b>	<b>Emergency</b>
False Alarm	0	1	0	1		<b>ALL</b>	<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>Fire</b>
Harrison	2	0	1	3	<b>Count</b>	246	222	222
Jewish	1	0	0	1	<b>Total Response Time</b>	2598.32	2374.30	1649.95
Nrtn	11	11	19	41	<b>Average</b>	10.56	10.70	7.43
On Site	18	11	27	56				
PD	5	1	6	12			<b>Sept</b>	
POV	0	1	0	1				<b>Emergency</b>
SOR	48	31	46	125		<b>ALL</b>	<b>Ambulance</b>	<b>Fire</b>
UL	11	13	13	37	<b>Count</b>	264	228	228
Unkown	0	0	1	1	<b>Total Response Time</b>	2736.52	2427.52	1746.58
VA	2	3	4	9	<b>Average</b>	10.37	10.65	7.66
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>782</b>	<b>Average</b>	<b>10.49</b>	<b>10.72</b>	<b>7.67</b>
<b>Not Counted</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>84</b>				
<b>Counted</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>698</b>				

**Notes:**  
 Data was pulled from daily Floyd County Dispatch CAD reports emailed to the Floyd County EMS Advisory Board  
 Grand total includes ALL runs  
 Not Counted are runs with No On Scene or No Tone Out or False Alarm or if Canceled before unit arrives the scene  
 Counted is the difference between the Grand Total and Not Counted  
 Emergency Ambulance is NCEMS units only responding across all districts  
 Emergency Fire is Georgetown, Greenville and Lafayette units responding to their specific districts including NCEMS responding to New Albany district.

Tim Kamer reminded citizens that the Commissioners did put a burn ban in place. He wished everyone a very safe, happy and spooky Halloween.

Rick Fox stated elections are open and to check with the Clerk's Office to check schedule and vote early.

**Public:**

Dale Mann, Georgetown Township, stated he likes the new voting machines. He commended on the condition of the City-County Building and that the condition is not as costly as was presented. He suggested putting it in a referendum to the public to see if they want to spend the money.

Mr. Mann asked them to look at removing the stop sign on John Pectol Road at Hamby Road. He is not in favor of subsidizing the internet companies so they can offer lower rates. He stated we are behind the times.

Brian Taylor, lifetime resident of Floyd County, thanked the Commissioners for their service. He asked for a new or better noise ordinance. John Schellenberger stated it is difficult to enforce noise ordinance without micro managing. He suggested speaking to the neighbor but Mr. Taylor stated he has spoken to them and they are not willing to work with him.

Rick Fox stated he was involved with the City of New Albany Noise Ordinance and the Floyd County Noise Ordinance. They did away with the decibel issue because, from a legal standpoint, you have to prove the machine you are measuring decibels is properly calibrated within a certain period and that the individual is certified. A police officer can use their discretion if they will issue a ticket.

Tim Kamer stated if they enforce restrictions they will be contacted by others that they cannot use, for example, their dirt bikes on their own property.

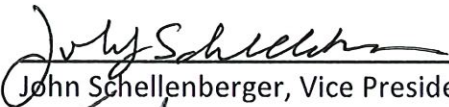
Mr. Taylor stated he could not entertain guests on his back deck because of the noise problem from one neighbor.

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

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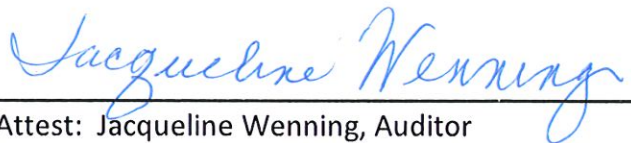
Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor