

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
October 1, 2024
6:00 P.M.**

Al Knable called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*

Present: President, Al Knable; Vice President, John Schellenberger and Jason Sharp

Also Present: Attorney, Rick Fox; Sheriff, Steve Bush and Auditor, Diana Topping

Al Knable led a moment of silence for prayer, meditation or reflection

Motion to approve the addition to 3a Mainstream Fiber to approve a letter of support for their proposal, as well as, a county utility agreement. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. AssuredPartners-Carolyn Steward & Wayne Willis

a. 2025 Benefits Renewal Presentation

Wayne Willis, Assured Partners, reviewed the benefits for 2025. There is no recommended change for employee contributions for 2025 with no change in benefits or budgeted amount in 2025. Dental and Vision are under a rate hold. No change for life insurance and voluntary life. There is a recommendation of a new product offering, Armadillo. It is a home warranty program. Currently Basic Life is at \$10,000.00 going to \$25,000.00 at no additional cost.

Motion to accept the contract. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Land Design & Development, Inc.-Shane McCloud

a. Charlestown Road Re-Plat

Motion to approve. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Mainstream Fiber Networks-Zach Stephens

a. Presentation of Active Expansion Plan

Mr. Gabriel explain the map of coverage and new funding from the State of Indiana. There is approximately 40 miles of fiber that is unserved or underserved.

Motion to approve the letter of support. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the County Utility agreement with Mainstream. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Imagery Services Contract for Stormwater-Lowell Davis

a. EagleView Contract

Mr. Davis reviewed the presentation. They are an aerial imagery provider. They do orthos and obliques. They work with 74-75 of the 92 Indiana counties.

Al Knable asked why they need the level of imagery and what guarantees do they have of people's privacy.

Mr. Davis said, from an assessment perspective, it's difficult to get all of the properties done. They can sit at the desktop and get a highly active assessment. He said, as far as privacy, the imagery is only available to the county with a login.

Motion to approve the Eagle View Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Director of Stormwater-Chris Moore

a. ESRI Contract

Chris Moore said ESRI is the software used on a daily basis to do parcel splits, to create any maps that county offices may need their assistance for and everything else in the GIS department. He said 86% of the world uses ESRI products. It is a 3 year contract for \$58,500.00 per year.

Motion to approve ESRI contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

6. County Engineer-Horacio Urieta

a. Awarding of Jersey Park Culvert Replacement

Motion to approve awarding the contract to Temple and Temple for the Jersey Park culvert replacement. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Awarding of Old Vincennes Road Slide Correction Project

Horacio Urieta said the low bid was Mac Construction \$2,823,000.00.

Motion to approve Mac for the Old Vincennes Road slide correction project.

Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Glenwood Bond Release Letter

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Director of Operations and Planning-Don Lopp

a. Charlestown Road Trail – PE Supplemental – Strand

Don Lopp said the request for construction services for \$10,000.00.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

b. North Tucker Road – SR 64 – Improvement – Quote for Approval

APC -\$79,752.00

CNR - \$42,749.00

Motion to take under advisement. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to allow President Knable to sign outside of meeting after appropriate review. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Floyd Knobs Water – ARP – Amended Grant

Don Lopp said this is their last project they have for ARP for \$91,424.50 for meters.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Active Shooter Training Update

Don Lopp said he will come back with a training schedule.

e. Facilities – Garbage Service Quotes

Motion to table. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Director of Building and Development-Nick Creevy

a. FCR 2024-17 Bridge 51 RW Acquisition

Nick Creevy said the resolution will allow the purchasing of 13 parcels as part of the right of way for this project.

Motion to approve FCR 2024-17 Bridge 51 right of way acquisition. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

9. County Attorney-Rick Fox

a. FCR 2024-16 Terminate the Lease Agreement with CNHI, LLC. dba the New Albany News and Tribune.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Retainer Agreement with Barnes & Thornburg for Health Department & Judicial Center

Motion to table 9b. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Board & Committee Reports

Jason Sharp

- 9/20 – attended Joint Commissioner-Council meeting
- 9/23 – met with the newly formed committee to oversee the use of the restricted opioid funds. He was selected to be the chair of the committee
- 9/24 – attended a special meeting of the Solid Waste Board of Directors. David Massengill was selected to lead the department. David Watson will be serving as the manager of special projects and Marin Kernan will serve as the Chief Administrative Officer/Controller. He thanked Scott Stewart for his years of service to Floyd County and congratulated him on his retirement.
- 9/25 – The Floyd County EMS Task Force voted 4-1 to recommend to the Commissioners a county based emergency medical service. Dr. Tom Harris was unable to make the meeting but previously was provided the details of Mr. Sharp's plan. On Monday Mr. Sharp got word that Dr. Harris did support the plan. They want to make clear is that any type of future of mobile integrated health or community paramedic is something in the

future. He would like the Commissioners to take the recommendation under advisement and discuss further on the October 15 Commissioners Meeting.

John Schellenberger

- 9/20 – Attended the Joint Commissioner -Council meeting
- 9/20 – Met with Assured Partners regarding insurance renewal
- 9/24 – Attended Solid Waste meeting to approve new leadership
- 9/25 – met to talk about the Teamsters Contract
- 9/25 – Attended the EMS meeting. He said they had a gentleman come from Putnam County to talk about County wide EMS and at the last meeting had a gentleman come from PRP to talk about fire based EMS. The vote supported County wide EMS. He thinks it was short sided. They did not do their due diligence. They need to have a robust discussion about whether or not to go county base or fire base EMS. Right now they are half way there with Highlander Fire based EMS.
- 9/26 – Attended KIPDA meeting

Al Knable

- He thanked Scott Stewart for his work over the years. We were fortunate to get someone of his caliber in that position. They have really good people filling the roles. There was some structural reorganization and some cost savings on salaries as a result of reorganization
- 9/23 – Attended Purdue Extension Annual dinner
- 9/24 - Attended Solid Waste Meeting
- 9/25 – Attended Caesars Foundation Meeting
- 9/26 – Phone meeting with some of our attorneys and other staff on the Bridge 51 Right of way property acquisition
- 9/26 – Meeting with Envoy Representatives for the Judicial Center and the Chase Building Issues
- 9/26 – Parks steering Committee
- 9/27 – Health Department -had a discussion on onsite sewage processing as well as new headquarters
- 9/28 – Attended New Albany Fire Protection District Open House
- 10/1 – Met with Attorney Rick Fox and Council President, Danny Short, regarding some financing issues for the Health Dept. building and other issues.

- Approval of the Commissioners Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2024

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

Public

Veronica Combs, Floyds Knobs, asked if the Mainstream Fiber map is available publicly. Al Knable said he will give her a copy after the meeting. She asked if Mr. Sharp's County wide EMS plan is available. He said it is available on the website. She thanked Commissioner Knable for asking about the safety factor of Eagle View.

Dale Mann, Georgetown, said Floyd County is the only county in the state to charge the public for access to GIS. He asked if private run EMS is out of the question once Ameripro's contract is up. Al Knable said, as far as he is concerned, it is still on the table.

Next Commissioners Meeting:

Tuesday, October 15, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.

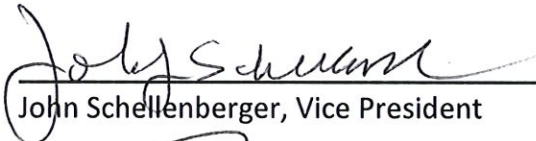
Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved on October 15, 2024

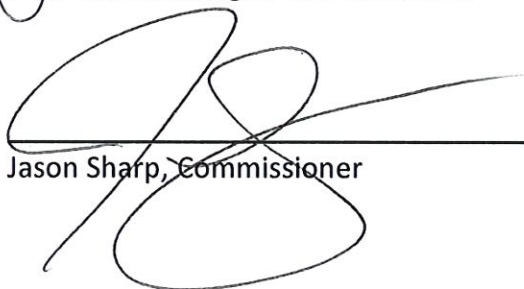
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



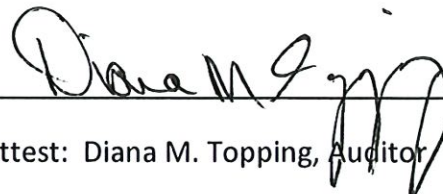
Al Knable, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Jason Sharp, Commissioner



Attest: Diana M. Topping, Auditor