Board of Commissioners 2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104 New Albany, IN 47150 Meeting Minutes October 7, 2025 6:00 P.M.

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

Present: President, Al Knable; Vice President, Jason Sharp and Frank Loop **Also Present:** Attorney, Rick Fox; Auditor, Diana Topping; Chief Deputy Auditor, Gloria Jones; Prosecutor, Chris Lane and Councilman, Dale Bagshaw

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

Motion to add #4 Approval of remote work for employee in the Assessor's office. Motion to approve. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. AssuredPartners-Wayne Willis

a. 2026 Benefits Renewal Presentation

Mr. Willis said they have conducted their annual marketing analysis for the 2026 plan year for the employees and their dependents for Floyd County Government. He said medical claims and pharmacy are running under budget year to date. There will be a slight increase to employee contributions in 2026, \$5.00 per pay period for the wellness plan and \$10.00 for those in the non-wellness with no change in the benefit structure. They were able to reduce the overall prescription costs by nearly 40%. Humana will be the plan for dental and vision. 14% increase on the dental plan and 11.8% reduction on the vision plan.

Life, accidental death and voluntary life are under another 2 year rate guarantee, so no change in rates.

Two new benefits being proposed for 2026 at no cost to the County: Emergency Transportation benefit at \$14.00 per employee per month and a new employee assistance program that will offer four face to face counseling sessions for employees and dependents at no cost to them and no cost to the County. Motion to accept. Moved by Frank Loop. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Prosecutor-Chris Lane

a. Independent Employee Contracts

The contract for Jackie Clowers has been approved by the Attorney General. It is between Ms. Clowers and the 52nd Judicial Circuit for as Civil Forfeiture. It will not cost the County anything.

Motion to approve the contract for Jackie Clowers and the 52nd Judicial Circuit Prosecuting Attorney. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

Prosecutor Lane said the contracts for Nick Vaughn and Abigail Morin are independent contracts for

certified legal interns. Both have passed the bar and will be sworn in October 25th. They will then be eligible to be Deputy Prosecutors on October 28th.

Motion to approve the independent contract agreement between Floyd County Prosecutor's office and Nicholas Vaughn. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to approve the independent contract agreement between Floyd County Prosecutor's office and Abigail Morin. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

b. AXON Contract

Prosecutor Lane said Indiana Prosecuting Attorney Council signed an agreement with Axon. This allows them to interface with Axon, which allows them to download evidence directly. It holds all of their evidence and allows them to view videos, transcribe videos and summarize. This is a five year contract but if he isn't elected next year there is a provision that it can be voided if there is a new elected official.

Attorney, Rick Fox said the proposal included taxes. Prosecutor Lane will need to give them the tax-exempt certificate.

Motion to approve. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Chief Operations Officer-Nick Creevy

- a. 2025 Local Paving Project 2025-2 Bid Opening
- Temple and Temple \$873,658.44
- Louisville Paving Company \$762,206.45
- Libs Paving \$6559,494.05
- CNR Construction \$667,616.50
- E&B Paving \$644,500.00
- Mac Construction \$624,388.00

Motion to take bids under advisement. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Equipment Purchase

Horacio Urieta presented 3 bids for a truck for the Road Department.

- \$10,509.04
- \$10,826.33
- \$13,988.00

Motion to approve the low bid by IMPCO. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Approval of a Remote Work for Employee in the Assessor's Office

HR Director, Michelle Portwood, asked on behalf of the Assessor to allow his Chief Deputy to work remotely up to October 17th. The person has resigned but he needs her to continue to work to October 17th to maintain the required State Reports that have to be done and review appeals. Her replacement will start on October 27th.

Motion to allow this to happen for the Assessor's office for this period only and for this employee

only. Moved by Frank Loop. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of the Commissioner's Meeting Minutes September 16, 2025 and September 25, 2025

Motion to approve both. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

Public

Susan Lockhart stated the job duties and responsibilities od County Commissioners. She went to both Grant Line and Galena Recycling sites for 15 hour over three days and collected 312 names on a petition. She stated over 1,600 names of people that want to keep the Recycling program. They would like Floyd County Solid Waste Management to continue running it.

Frank Loop said the Teamsters contract with the Road Department was finalized.

Jason Sharp said the Road Department does a fantastic job and is glad they accepted the contract.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Frank Loop. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved on October 21, 2025

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Al Knable, President

Jason Sharp Vice President

Frank Loop, Commissioner

Attest: Diana M. Topping,/