

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 3rd, 2025

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 3rd, 2025, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, October 20th, 2025.
 - II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Dan Collom, first Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Nick Sauter, Commissioner's Attorney; Susan Kramer, Auditor; and Leanna Collisi, 2nd Deputy Auditor. Also, present were Jessica Lancaster, Jason Frazier, Melissa Buell, Kurt Lanzone, Kim Shorter, Taylor Christian, Lynette Fleischer and Ray Leonberger.
 - III. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on Monday, October 20th, 2025 were approved on a motion from Bruce Hartman. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- I. **PAYROLL:**

Note: **The Parke County Board of Commissioners is not approving authenticity of the claims presented but are approving what claims are received.**

County payroll in the amount of \$274,679.38, Union Hospital Security payroll in the amount of \$3,450.45 and Covered Bridge Festival-PCSD/EMS payroll in the amount of \$55,711.48 were approved for release on Monday, November 3rd, 2025 on a motion made by Bruce Hartman. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Acknowledgement of receipt of Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report for November 3rd, 2025 in the amount of \$152,055.30 was approved on a motion made by Bruce Hartman. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Accounts Payable Claims in the amount of \$1,778,316.74 were approved on a motion made by Bruce Hartman. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - II. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - The Parke County Board of Commissioners were presented a Request for a Grant Application from Chris O'Brien. This grant application was for \$7,000.00 for the FFY 2026 – Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant. This grant is reimbursable and offered by the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. Bruce Hartman made the motion to approve the Grant Application request by Chris O'Brien for the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - The 2026 Extension Contractual Services Agreement with Purdue University was presented to the Parke County Board of Commissioners for approval and signing. This contract is around \$30,000.00 less than usual because the Extension Office is down one employee. The Extension Office only has two educators instead of three educators like in the past. Bruce Hartman made the motion to approve and sign the 2026 Extension Contractual Services Agreement with Purdue University. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - Susan Kramer presented the Parke County Board of Commissioners with five contracts from Enterprise Fleet Management. The five contracts were the Master Equity Lease Agreement, the Maintenance Management and Fleet Rental Agreement, the Consignment Auction Agreement, the Agreement to Sell Customer Vehicles and the Company Owned Vehicle Service Agreement. Nick Sauter reviewed each contract. He stated that there could be backend costs and fees associated with Enterprise. The minimum selling price per vehicle is \$10,000.00. This could mean if a vehicle only sells for \$8,000.00, the County is responsible for paying the remainder \$2,000.00 to make up the difference. The rest of the contracts are standard. The County can also purchase the vehicles after the lease has expired. There will be schedules with each vehicle that Parke County can either accept or decline within ten days. There are no mileage limits on the vehicles leased. Bruce

Hartman made the motion to approve and sign the five Enterprise Fleet Management Agreements. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- Melissa Buell from the Health Department presented the appointment of Brittany Bonomo to the Parke County Health Board for the Parke County Board of Commissioners to approve. She is the Director of Nursing at Union Hospital. Bruce Hartman made the motion to approve the appointment of Brittany Bonomo to the Parke County Health Board. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

- None

IV. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Raymond Leonberger, Parke County Veterans Administration:

- Ray Leonberger with the Parke County Veterans Administration informed the Parke County Board of Commissioners that forty-two trips/thirty-eight hundred miles were used to take Veterans to medical appointments. Twenty-two percent used the newly purchased van.
- On Tuesday, November 11th, 2025, The American Legion Post # 48 will be hosting a Veterans Program from 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Sue Morris, the Secretary in the Parke County Veterans Office, has worked hard to have a park bench donated for the 988 Suicide Prevention and Crisis Lifeline and placed near the playground in the park.
- Thursday, October 30th, 2025 was the second free haircut day for our Veterans. Word is getting around about the Veterans' free haircut day that happens once a month at Thompson's College of Cosmetology.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Taylor Christian and Lynette Fleischer from Next Era Energy Resources updated the Parke County Board of Commissioners of additional sound testing for the energy storage project.

ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Absent

Jim Meece, President

Dan R. Collom

Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

Bruce A. Hartman

Bruce A. Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:

Susan Kramer

Susan Kramer, Auditor