

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 7, 2025

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, April 7, 2025, at 1:00 PM in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. The Commissioners in attendance were Chad Banks, Robert Schuman & Theresa Baysinger. Others in attendance were Auditor Tiffany Deakins, Chief Deputy Auditor Tamela Tincher, Rosemary Brown, Engineer Brad Allen, Sheriff Jason Spencer, Cory Dietz, Scott Clay, and Travis Weigold.

Commissioner Banks opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ENGINEER BRAD ALLEN: Engineer Brad Allen was present with three requests for Commissioners.

1. RQAW on call agreement to be used for future use if necessary. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Schuman, with a 3/0 vote.
2. Brad presented an INDOT grant contract for County striping. This will be for 21 miles within Whitley County to stripe the center line on curvy roads. Commissioner Schuman made a motion to approve, seconded by Baysinger, passing with a 3/0 vote.
3. Highway Director Ryan Getts was unavailable to be at the meeting, so Brad was present with a right of way permit. The permit is for the address of 7620 E 700 S to make a road cut to fix a drainage tile. The County will inspect the work after. Commissioner Schuman made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Baysinger, passing with a 3/0 vote.

FACILITY REQUESTS: Commissioners reviewed four facility requests. Commissioner Banks stated that he would like to update the policy for facility requests to include certain department heads reviewing the requests as well and sign off on them so that everyone knows about the requests ahead of time. This includes EMA, Maintenance, Security and the Clerk.


1. The Department of Child Services would like to use the gazebo April 14th at 10:30 am. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Schuman, passing with a 3/0 vote.
2. National Day of Prayer to utilize the gazebo from 7 am – 7:30 pm on 5-1-2025. This will include praying in the morning, lunch and evening. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Schuman, passing with a 3/0 votes.
3. Commissioners discussed a desire to amend their policy regarding considering approval prior to 90 days before an event for recurring events. Attorney Boxberger advised that the Commissioners had the ability to amend their policy. Columbia City Connect for First Friday events utilizing the Courthouse square. This request is for the remainder of the First Fridays for 2025. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to amend the policy to allow for recurring events to be approved more than 90 days in advance and to approve, seconded by Schuman, passing with a 3/0 vote.
4. St. Paul of the Cross will be utilizing the gazebo on April 13th from 10:15-10:30 am. Commissioner Schuman made a motion to approve, seconded by Baysinger, passing with a 3/0 vote.

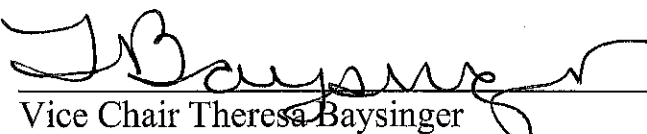
MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The claim distributions from March 18, 2025, through April 7, 2025, were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioners Baysinger and Schuman reviewed


the claims. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Schuman and passed with a 3/0 vote. Commissioner Schuman made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Baysinger and passed with a 3/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed the regular meeting minutes of March 17, 2025. Commissioner Schuman made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes, seconded by Baysinger, passing with a 3/0 vote.

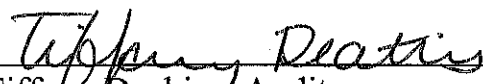
Auditor Deakins stated that the tax bills have been mailed, constituents have been receiving them and coming in to pay. There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chair Banks adjourned the meeting at 1:19 PM.

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Chair Chad Banks


Vice Chair Theresa Baysinger


Commissioner Robert Schuman

Attest: 
Tiffany Deakins, Auditor

