

**DAVISS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

**Daviess County Commissioners Room, Daviess County Government Center  
Washington, Indiana**

The Daviess County Commissioners met Tuesday October 12, 2021, at 9:00 AM in the Commissioners' Room of the Daviess County Government Center.

**Roll Call.**

Present: Michael Taylor, President, Ron Arnold, Secretary.

Absent: Nathan Gabhart, Vice President.

Pat Kelly with the Church of Christ gave the opening prayer.

**MEETING MINUTES 9-14-21 9-16-2021 10/5/2021**

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**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve minutes as presented, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**HIGHWAY**

**HIGHWAY MEETING**

No Highway meeting this morning.

**HWY DEPT WORK SCHEDULE/REPORTS AND GENERAL BUSINESS**

Chris Winkler, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners with updates to the Highway Department work schedule. The wiring is complete on the asphalt plant but they are currently waiting on a part to come in. Once the final part is installed it is projected to be making asphalt by the end of the week. When the asphalt plant is running the Highway Department will start working on the West Boggs roads repair project.

**900 E CANNELBURG ROAD**

Chris Winkler, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners with Cannelburg road project updates. There was a progress meeting with Lochmueller Group at the end of September and they are ready to set the bridge by October 15, 2021. Lochmueller Group sent out a September newsletter and it is uploaded to the Daviess.org site. Anyone can go to this site and view where the project is at, what is currently happening with the project, and what to expect in October 2021. As well as updates on the road closing and conditions on the road.

**BRIDGE #155 MONTGOMERY**

Chris Winkler, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, came before the Commissioners and stated there is no new progress with the bridge #155 project in Montgomery at this time.

**LPA VOUCHERS**

Chris Winkler, Daviess County Highway Supervisor, presented the Commissioners with three LPA Claim Vouchers. The first LPA Claim Voucher is from Lochmueller Group for preliminary engineering phase 4

in the amount of \$277.50 with 80% reimbursable at \$222.00. The second LPA Claim Voucher is from Daviess County Rural Water for Utilities on phase 4&5 in the amount of \$126,611.73 with 80% reimbursable at \$101,289.38. The third LPA Claim Voucher is from Daviess County Rural Water for Utilities on phase 4&5 in the amount of \$100,334.53 with 80% reimbursable at \$80,267.62.

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**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve LPA Claim Voucher is from Lochmueller Group in the amount of \$277.50 with 80% reimbursable at \$222.00. LPA Claim Voucher is from Daviess County Rural Water in the amount of \$126,611.73 with 80% reimbursable at \$101,289.38. LPA Claim Voucher is from Daviess County Rural Water in the amount of \$100,334.53 with 80% reimbursable at \$80,267.62.

**Moved by** Ron Arnold, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**2022 NOTICE OF ANNUAL BIDS**

The Notice of Receiving Annual bids for 2022 for the Highway Department submission date has been moved. The new submission date is October 26, 2021. The bids are to be submitted by 9:00 AM EST, at the Daviess County Auditor's Office, Government Center, 300 E Hefron St, Washington, Indiana 47501. The bids will be opened at the Commissioners meeting on October 26, 2021. The bid submission date was postponed from the October 12, 2021, submission date due to some miscommunication and the information not being posted in the proper time frame.

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve to move the Highway Department 2022 Notice of Annual Bids to October 26, 2021, by 9:00 AM, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE UPDATE-KELLIE STREETER**

Kellie Streeter, Daviess County Health Department Administrator, came before the Commissioners with Health Department fee schedule update. The Health Department is requesting to bill insurance for the covid rapid test for individuals with insurance and add to the fee schedule. The cost that would be billed to an individual's insurance is \$100.00 per test. The state of Indiana provides free testing for individuals that do not have health insurance. **Document**

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve the Health Department fee change for the Rapid Covid-19 test to be billed to individuals' health insurance for \$100.00, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**ANTHEM LIFE RENEWAL**

Paul Williams, Hoosier Health Insurance, came before the Commissioners with updates for the county Life and Disability Insurance. The Life and Disability is insurance that the County provides to county employees. Anthem Life Insurance Company has agreed to keep the same rate at \$20,000.00. This rate has not changed in the past five years. This rate is paid one time each year. **Document**

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve to renew with Anthem for the Anthem Life Insurance, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**DENTAL INSURANCE**

Paul Williams, Hoosier Health Insurance, came before the Commissioners with updates for the county dental insurance. Dental Health Options through Paramount alternative policy with rates of Employee Only: \$27.40, Employee + One: \$58.10, Employee + Family: \$99.30. The rates for dental did not go up.

This policy will lock in the rate for two years. This is employee pay only, the county pays nothing toward this benefit. **Document**

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve Alternative Policy dental insurance rates at, Employee Only: \$27.40, Employee + One: \$58.10, and Employee + Family: \$99.30 per month for January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2023, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **VISION INSURANCE-PAUL WILLIAMS**

Paul Williams, Hoosier Health Insurance, came before the Commissioners with updates for the county vision insurance. Vision insurance is employee pay only; the county pays nothing toward this benefit. Currently the county is with VSP and those rates have gone up. Paramount is the dental insurance provider and gave a rate packaged with the vision as well. The Paramount rate for vision is Employee: \$3.00, Employee + Spouse \$6.00, Employee + Child(ren): \$6.29, Employee + Family: \$8.76. This rate is less than VSP and will be a four-year rate lock and will administer Cobra at no charge. This would start January 1, 2022. **Document**

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve Paramount for the county vision insurance The Paramount rate for vision is Employee: \$3.00, Employee + Spouse \$6.00, Employee + Child(ren): \$6.29, Employee + Family: \$8.76., **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **PRECINCTS AND DISTRICTS UPDATE-JANICE WILLIAMS**

Janice Williams, Daviess County Clerk, and Lauren Milton, Daviess County Deputy Clerk of Elections, came before the Commissioners with clean-up of precincts and districts. Ms. Williams updated Commissioners with possible changes to the precincts. Precincts are based on the active voters. By State and Federal Law, Council Districts are supposed to be under 10% and Daviess County is within the guidelines. She presented the Commissioners the Daviess County Council Districts. Michael Taylor, Daviess County Commissioner, stated that he has no desire to change the precincts if everything complies. Ron Arnold, Daviess County Commissioner, agreed to leave districts/precincts as well.

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**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve to leave Daviess County precincts as they are, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

#### **TRANSFORMER AGREEMENT**

Michael Taylor, Daviess County Commissioner, stated that the current parking lot that is being built on the south side of the Government Center has had electricity added for future events. The Common Council of the City has obtained that the expense of purchasing new transformers for use by Commercial and Industrial customers shall be shared equally by City and Company. The Transformer Agreement for 300 E Hefron St., Washington IN is in the amount of \$15,882.00. The City agrees to install and maintain transformers in service at no additional cost, except at such time the transformer may need to be replaced due to no fault of the City. The City of Washington agreed to pay 50% of the \$15,882.00 total cost. This leaves the City's portion at \$7,941.00 and the County's portion to pay \$7,941.00. The county portion would be paid out of the Cum Cap fund for the counties portion. **Document**

**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve the Transformer Agreement with the City of Washington with Daviess County paying 50% at \$7,941.00 out of Cum Cap fund, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**BIS MAINTENANCE CONTRACT**

Commissioners were presented with a BIS Digital Technical Support Agreement. The BIS system is the service used for the Commissioners room for meetings. This agreement is for software maintenance and remote support. The annual software agreement is for \$350.00. is to be paid out of 1000-44600-9600 fund.

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**Motion:** Approve, **Action:** Approve the BIS Digital Technical Support Agreement for \$350.00, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**PAYROLL DOCKET 9/24/2021 & 10/8/2021**

**Motion:** Approve payroll dockets, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

**CLAIMS DOCKET 9/29/21, 10/5/2021 & 10/15/2021**

**Motion:** Approve claims dockets, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

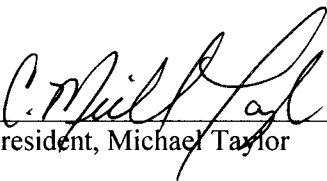
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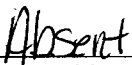
- a. DAVIESS-MARTIN JOINT PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MINUTES 8/10/2021
- b. DAVIESS COUNTY BOARD OF AVIATION COMMISSIONERS MANAGER’S REPORT AND MINUTES
- c. REQUEST FOR VARIANCE
- d. NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION-FLAT CREEK FARMS

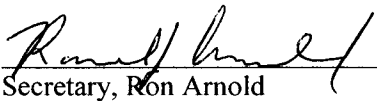
**ADJOURN**

**Motion:** Approve to adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Ron Arnold, Secretary, **Seconded by** Michael Taylor, President.

Motion passed unanimously.

  
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President, Michael Taylor

  
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Vice President, Nathan Gabhart

  
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Secretary, Ron Arnold

ATTEST:   
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Patricia K. Ball, Auditor of Daviess County