MINUTES FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SEPTEMBER 02, 2025 9:00 A.M.

MINUTES (KW & Aaron)

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Aaron Fruits to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's meeting on August 18, 2025 and the joint meeting August 18, 2025.

Vote: 2-0

MINUTES (KW & Tim)

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by KW Rice to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's meeting on August 04, 2025.

Vote: 2-0

CLAIMS 1–140 (\$1,216,610.17) Non-Published and Payroll Claims A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve all claims.

Vote: 3-0

Review and Acknowledge Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation & Monthly Comparison Report

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Tim Shumaker to acknowledge the Treasurer's Bank Reconciliation for July 2025 and Monthly Comparison Report.

Vote: 3-0

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

911 Dispatch – Dana Stonebraker

Dana does have a full-time employee who will be moving to part time and a part time employee moving to full time. She would also like to hire one or two new employees to go part time

Economic Development -Kim Kalweit

Kim informed the Commissioners that she had met with Larry Grant about the supporting Attica match. She also met with the Secretary of Commerce regarding READI 2.0. She passed her course she has been working on and will take 301 at the end of September.

Tim Shumaker said there has been complaints on Maple Corner and the landscaping. This will be addressed and corrected.

TRANSFERS

Purdue Extension

From: 1000-0028-10200 First Deputy

To: 1000-0028-33300 Travel \$2,000.00

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by KW Rice to approve the transfers and send it onto the Council.

Vote: 3-0

LAWNCARE/SNOW REMOVAL DISCUSSION

The Commissioners would like to get bids on mowing and snow removal. They will discuss and then get this published.

AUDITOR 1ST DEPUTY PAY

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Tim Shumaker to reduce the pay of the 1st Deputy in the Auditor's office to reflect the same pay as the other deputies and send to the Council for approval.

Vote: 3-0

Custodian - PARTTIME TO FULLTIME

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Tim Shumaker to increase the Custodian position from parttime to fulltime and increase the pay to reflect \$21.99 per hour and send to the Council for approval.

Vote: 3-0

JOHN HOAGLAND

John wanted to discuss a parcel of land next to his property. He was told roughly 20 years ago if he cleaned it up, the Commissioners would give it to him. The land was never officially transferred. He would like to get it put in his name so he can transfer to his children. Roger Azar will look into this and they will discuss.

MARTIN FARMS

Brian Martin discussed his desire to run a hose or pipe across the Fountain County Hibbs Road bridge which crosses Coal Creek. He has discussed with Roger and Jason Lewis. He will get something from IDEM. Roger Azar will also send them some information. They will discuss further once this information is received.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bill Brewer stated he talked with Matt Commons regarding SB425. He stated according to the information he has received, there would be no grandfathering and it is 1 year from the date it was active. Tim Shumaker stated that APC member Michael Cunningham does not own property in Fountain County and therefore cannot be on the APC Board.

KATIE GEAR- THE WHITTINGHAM AGENCIES

Katie gave a presentation on Globelife insurance. She will wait to hear from the Commissioners to see if this is something that they are interested in.

UMR MID YEAR REVIEW @ 10:00 A.M.

Cara Ramsey gave a presentation on Health insurance for county employees. The Commissioners will discuss the options and meet with 2 different companies on 09/15/25 at 5:30 PM.

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING WILL BE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 AT 5:30 P.M.

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by KW Rice to close the meeting.

Vote: 3-0

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COMMISSIONER'S & COUNCIL MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO THANK COLLEEN CHAMBERS FOR HER 34 YEARS OF SERVICE TO FOUNTAIN COUNTY

ATTEST -