

**MINUTES
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DECEMBER 01, 2025
9:00 A.M.**

Aaron Fruits, KW Rice and Tim Shumaker were present.

MINUTES

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Aaron Fruits to approve the minutes of the Commissioner's Meeting 11/17/2025.

Vote: 2-0

CLAIMS 1-77 (\$324,299.33) Unpublished claims and Payroll Claims

A motion was made by Tim Shumaker and seconded by KW Rice to approve all claims.

Vote: 3-0

Department Heads

Ambulance- Garth Kagels

Garth said he sent an email regarding the billing software going out of business. He has looked into other software and has found one that is compatible with what we currently have. It is \$1,500 up front and then \$238.33 a month. He will have more information at the joint meeting on 12/15/25.

Highway Department- Jason Lewis

Jason informed the Commissioners that USI did a tabulation sheet on the bids for bridge #103. The bids were from Campbell's Excavating, HIS, and Milestone. Jason has been working on Bridge #202 with Ethan Myers. Jason would also like to purchase a paver from Tippecanoe County. He does have the money in his budget.

911- Dana Stonebraker

Dana said her new trainee is doing great. They are still looking for a parttime employee.

Sheriff- Andrew Krout

Andrew stated there are issues with the cameras at the jail. He has reached out to SAS and they stated the cameras are at their life expectancy. The company did come in to the jail and reset the cameras, but they need to be replaced. This will be discussed at the Joint meeting on 12/15/25. Andrew would also like to discuss the Holiday schedule for the Sheriff Deputies.

Wabash River Heritage Corridor

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Aaron Fruits to have Tim

Bids were received by Smarts Lawncare, Thomas Landscape and Perry Lawncare LLC.

A motion was made by KW Rice and seconded by Tim Shumaker to approve the bid from Thomas Landscaping.

Vote: 3-0

Transfer - TABLED

Treasurer

From: Part Time 1000.002.10600 \$5,000.00

To: Treasurer Stipend 1000.002.14852 \$5,000.00

A motion was made by ____ and seconded by ____ to approve the transfer and send to the Council.

Vote: ____

2025 CARS Contract – Put on 12/15/25 Agenda

A motion was made by ____ and seconded by ____ to approve the contract for CARS for the remainder of 2025.

Vote: ____

2026 CARS Contract - Put on 12/15/25 Agenda

A motion was made by ____ and seconded by ____ to approve the contract for CARS for 2026.

Vote: ____

PUBLIC COMMENT


Bill Brewer asked why inmates cannot be used to remove snow, salting and mowing. Andrew Krout said they can do some, but this is a liability. Bill asked if a waiver could be signed.

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

Vote: 3-0

**THE NEXT REGULAR COMMISSIONER MEETING ON MONDAY
DECEMBER 15, 2025
AT 6:00 P.M.**

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ATTEST

