

**FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Date: 04/20/26

Time: 9:00 AM

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**1. Call to Order:**

Call to order the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Fountain County Commissioners.

**Commissioners President:** Aaron Fruits

**Time:** 09:00 AM

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**2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance:**

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**3. Roll Call:**

**Members Present:**

- Aaron Fruits
- KW Rice
- Tim Shumaker

**Also, Present:**

- Kim Johnson, County Auditor
- Heather Brouse, Deputy Auditor
- Ethan Myers, County Attorney

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**4. Approval of Agenda: 04/20/2026**


**Action Requested:** Approve agenda as presented/amended

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Aaron Fruits
- Vote:  Passed \_\_\_\_\_  Failed \_\_\_\_\_

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**5. Approval of Minutes: 04/06/2026**

**Meeting Date:**

- Motion by: KW Rice
  - Second by: Aaron Fruits
  - Vote:  Passed \_\_\_\_\_  Failed \_\_\_\_\_
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**6. Elected Official & Department Reports:**

- Auditor, Kim Johnson
- Treasurer, Tiffany Wells
- Assessor, Amber Roarks
- Clerk, Patty Smith
- Recorder, Nikki Allen
- Coroner, Kayla Holt
- EMA Director, Tina Holmes
- EMS Director, Wayne Laswell
- Prosecutor, Daniel Askren
- Veteran Services, James Wynne
- Health Department, Jenny Eads
- Highway Superintendent, Jason Lewis
- Landfill, Greg
- Jail, Andrew Krout, Deputy Sheriff
- 911 Director, Dana Stonebraker
- Sheriff, Terry Holt
- Wega, Kim Kalweit

**7. Unfinished Business:**

**Claims (\$153,657.39) & Payroll (\$346,135.63)**

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Aaron Fruits
- Vote:  Passed 2-0       Failed

**Clerk's Monthly Report for March 2026**

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Aaron Fruits
- Vote:  Passed 2-0       Failed

**Report of Collections – Sheriff, Ambulance, & Clerk March 2026**

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Aaron Fruits
- Vote:  Passed 2-0       Failed

**8. New Business:**

- **Wabash River Blueway**  
Michele Stucky is asking approval of Commissioner owned property to be leased as a boat ramp and walking path. (Parcels in question are being used currently as Bridge Maintenance and Duke Energy) Michele stated that they would have a safe place for entry and exits. Flooding should only last 5-7 days, Same as other comparable walking paths new the river. There would be a stone lot for parking. They are working with Niches Land Trust who will keep up with the maintenance on the land to keep things in good condition. Aaron questioned liability in case of accidents. Ethan Myers requested documents prepared by an engineer to state if this is a good location for the boat ramp with powerlines nearby.

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**9. Correspondence & Announcements:**

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10. Council Member Comments:

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11. Public Comment:

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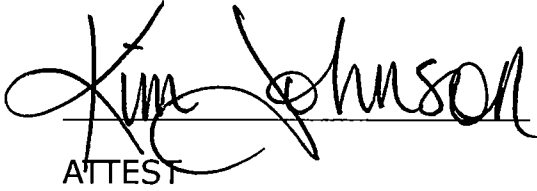
12. Adjournment:

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Time adjourned: 9:16 AM
- Second by: Aaron Fruits
- Vote:  Passed

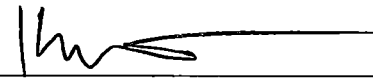
- **NEXT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING: Monday May 04, 2026, at 9:00 AM**
  - **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Monday May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 9:00 AM**
  - **NEXT JOINT MEETING: Monday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 6:00 PM**

in the Commissioner's Meeting Room

\*\*\*SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

  
ATTEST

  
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