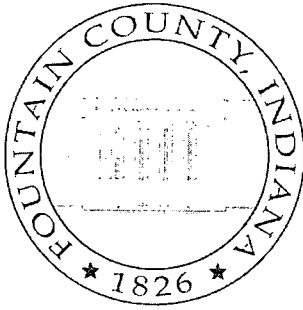




**FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Date: 07/06/26
Time: 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order:
Call to order the July 06th meeting of the Fountain County Commissioners.
Commissioners President: Aaron Fruits
Time: 09:00 AM

2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance:

3. Roll Call:
Members Present:

- ☒ Aaron Fruits
- ☒ KW Rice
- ☒ Tim Shumaker

Also, Present:
☒ Lisa Spiering, Deputy Auditor
☒ Heather Brouse, Deputy Auditor
☒ Ethan Myers, County Attorney

4. Approval of Agenda: 07/06/2026

Action Requested: Approve agenda as presented/amended

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker
- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

5. Approval of Minutes:

Meeting Date: 05/18/26 (Joint Meeting Minutes)

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

Meeting Date: 06/01/26

- Motion by: Tim Shumaker
- Second by: KW Rice
- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

6. Elected Official & Department Reports:

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

Ambulance- Wayne Laswell

Wayne updated the Commissioner’s letting them know that June’s revenue was 271% of last June. He said the new billing system is working great.

Highway – Jason Lewis

Jason announced paving 1.6 Miles 32 West Liberty Church Road will post on website. Paving, Chip and Seal will begin this Thursday by Coffing Brothers Road. Jason spoke with Camron on some ideas of how to fix some culverts that were damaged in June. Jason requested approval to purchase some equipment to start fixing the culverts. Aaron said to fix it and KW agreed that they need fixed.

WEGA – Kim Kalweit

Kim said they did not get the funding for Wega, but they are in the process of more ideas.

EMA – Tina Holmes

Tina said the first Lift was shipped and everything was sent to the State for that. Waiting on the ADA Title to be signed.

Tim Shumaker

Before approving claims, Tim asked what is Jon Schrock’s title? Aaron answered Zoning Administrator. Tim said that Jon is making \$150/hr with a budget approved for \$20,000 for a part time position. Tim is questioning the \$12,000 pay out to Jon Schrock for the month of June. He said they need to either make this position full time or limit the hours. Professional engineers like Roger Azar get paid \$150/hr. Tim stated that Roger did more than Zoning Administration when he worked for the County. He was also doing stuff for the Highway Department. Tim said at this rate he doesn’t know how the county will be able to afford this position.

7. Unfinished Business:

Claims (\$338,591.00)

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker
- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

Payroll (\$365,370.69)

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker
- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

Report of Collections –Recorder May 2026

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker
- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

Resolution 2027-01 ADA & Title VI

- Motion by: Tim Shumaker
 - Second by: KW Rice
 - Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____
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- Hoosier Associates – Blake Schoen

8. New Business:

- **Global Life Liberty National – Jessi Vogel**
Jessi Vogal said that the package they have for the county employees will be at zero cost to the county. This partnership will allow the employees to take their coverage after they are no longer employed by the county. This package provides a Whole Life Policy with pre-existing Medical issues. The Commissioners will discuss and possible sign this agreement on July 20 at the meeting.
- **Purple Wave Auction – Chase Gilliland**
Chase Gilliland spoke about the contract with the County Highway Department. Purple Wave will assist with selling unused or wanted equipment. The buyer will pick up the equipment within 14 days of auction. They will handle the title transfers if the county prefers. KW asked if there were any commission fees. Chase replied that Purple Wave Auction will take zero commission fees.

9. Correspondence & Announcements:

10. Council Member Comments:

11. Public Comment:

Bill Brewer

Bill asked if the Moratorium is over on the 30th of this month? He said the Commissioners need to keep working on the Ordinance on the Solar. Bill asked who was going to be responsible for the hazard waste clean-up from the solar farms? Commissioners said that would be the Solar company's responsibility. Bill also brought up Jon Schrock as a part time employee making \$150/hr. Bill asked Jon Schrock if he was planning to travel to give a speech and if he will be getting paid for that. No comment was made by Jon Schrock.

12. Adjournment:

- Motion by: Tim Shumaker
 - Second by: KW Rice
 - Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

- NEXT COMMISSIONER'S MEETING: Monday July 20, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
 - NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: Monday July 13, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
 - NEXT JOINT MEETING: Monday July 20, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

in the Commissioner's Meeting Room

SUBJECT TO CHANGE


ATTEST