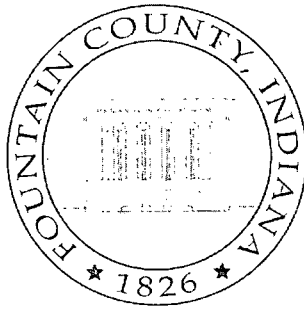




**FOUNTAIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Date: 08/03/26

Time: 9:00 AM

1. Call to Order:

Call to order the August 3rd 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:

- ☒ Kim Johnson, County Auditor
- ☒ Lisa Spiering, Deputy Auditor
- ☐ Ethan Myers, County Attorney

4. Approval of Agenda: 08/03/2026

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: 07/06/2026

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

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
- ☒ 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
- ☐ Prosecutor, Daniel Askren
- ☐ Veteran Services, James Wynne

Highway Department – Jason Lewis

Reith Riley has finished the Community Crossings project down off Coffing Brothers Road bridge. They were almost done with the shoulders last week so they should be finished up soon. They have their roads paved down on South Silver Island Road. They would like to start chip sealing next week. They have been behind due to weather. Greg Campbell has started on the bridge on Foster Road, Bridge #103. Tim Shumaker said he had received a call on the bridge on 100 N and Corporation Line is breaking off at the end with the heavy rain. Tim asked if the Highway Department was going to handle that or if Greg would. Jason informed him that Greg was going back to finish that. Tim also said down on north Towpath, right off of south River Road on Towpath, there is a tree hanging down. It is across the road and they are afraid it will come down on somebody. Jason said they didn’t know it was down there. He said he will get his guys down there.

7. Unfinished Business:

Claims (\$400,692.42)

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

Payroll (\$353,943.96)

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

Treasurer’s Monthly Report for June 2026

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker

- Vote: ☒ Passed 3-0 ☐ Failed _____

CCMG Grant 2027

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

8. New Business:

- **BW Build – Jay Trauring**
Jay gave a handout to all Commissioners. He discussed the new highway garage and answered questions.
- **David Sanders – Democratic Rep for State Senate**
Mr. Sanders introduced himself and gave a brief history of his accomplishments. He is the Democratic nominee for State Senate

Public Hearing – Vacate Walnut between Pine and Jefferson Street

Richard Holmes, attorney for the petitioner, gave a brief update of the situation and the road that they are wanting to vacate.

Beginning Time: 9:14 AM

- Public Comment
- Motion by: Tim Shumaker
- Second by: KW Rice
- Vote: Passed 3-0 Failed _____

- End Time: 9:17 AM

9. Correspondence & Announcements:

10. Council Member Comments:

Kelly Carlson stated that the budget meetings will be starting on August 10th.

11. Public Comment:

Carol Owens asked about the budget hearings. She would like a list of dates and times. Kim Johnson will send this to her after the meeting.

12. Adjournment:

- Motion by: KW Rice
- Second by: Tim Shumaker
- Vote: Passed 3-0
- Time: 9:21 AM

- **NEXT COMMISSIONER’S MEETING:** Monday August 17, 2026 @ 6:00 PM
 - **NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Monday August 10, 2026 @ 9:00 AM
 - **NEXT JOINT MEETING:** Monday August 17, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

in the Commissioner’s Meeting Room

SUBJECT TO CHANGE


ATTEST



