

MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 26, 2024 at 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row – Room E109, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Board President John E. Frey; Commissioner Jim Fulwider; and Commissioner Dan Guard.

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; County Administrator Tom Klein; Auditor Mindy Byers; Sheriff Ryan Needham; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Veterans Services Officer Joe Ellis; Health Administrator Adrienne Northcutt; Treasurer Heather Laffoon; Highway Director Jake Lough; Chief Probation Officer Andria Giegle; EMA Director Jessica Burget; Recorder Nancy Cox; Clerk Sondra Sixberry; Assistant County Attorney Tyler Nichols and Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Commissioner Frey led the pledge of allegiance and Commissioner Fulwider led the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP \$3,383,853.27
Payroll - \$465,807.99

Minutes: August 12, 2024

Addendum to ProactiveMD Services Agreement

The Addendum to the June 1, 2024 Services Agreement provides for the third party brokerage firm Brown & Brown of Indiana to continue service the clients as a whole and for ease of administration, ProActive MD has agreed to pay the third party brokerage firm fee of \$2 per employee.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Highway Department - CR150S Speed Limit Request

Cale Stephens Montgomery County Highway Department reported to the Commissioners that he did a traffic study on CR150 S between SR47 and CR200 W as requested by Building Administrator Tom Klein. Based on the data he collected and with SR47 being 40MPH at that crossroads and CR150 S being 30MPH east of SR47, so he recommend a 45 MPH speed limit from CR200 W to SR47. He also did a traffic study on CR150S between CR200W and CR325W. He stated that traffic in the area is self-regulated with an average speed of 43 MPH and he does not recommend a speed limit change to that segment.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the speed limit change as recommended by the Highway Department. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Request to Close one-lane of Glenway Drive on September 14, 2024 -

Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett presented the request to close one-lane of Glenway Drive received from Justin Kottcamp-Hunters Glen HMO. On September 14, 2024 we would like to close Glenway Drive from houses 1089 to 1129 from noon til about 8pm for a neighborhood block party. This will not interfere with traffic and the residents of all the homes affected by said block party will be in attendance and have given their approval for said closure. This closure will leave the other side of Glenway drive open to traffic and the other residents.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve the request to close one-lane of Glenway Drive on September 14, 2024. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Change Order #1 - Purple Heart Parkway Extension Project - \$217,135.33

This Change Order is to meet the requirements INDOT put on the project to obtain the INDOT RW permit. (change of approach materials, revisions to the signal, etc.) The Change Order is in the amount of \$217,135.33 and it also increases the contract time by 14 days. The PHP Extension Project is a joint project with the City of Crawfordsville and the increase in the contract amount will be divided 50/50 between the City and the County. *Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Purple Heart Parkway Extension Project in the amount of \$217,135.33. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading Ordinance 2024-17 - Ordinance Establishing a Stop Sign on Purple Heart Parkway at its Intersection with Ladoga Road - The ordinance

establishes a stop sign at the Intersection of Ladoga Road for the new road construction of the Purple Heart Parkway Extension from SR231 to Ladoga Road. *Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2024-17. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

Introduction Ordinance 2024-18: Ordinance Reaffirming the County Retirement Benefit Policy

Attorney Taylor stated the policy of Montgomery County for many years has been that all full-time employees and all elected officials, including but not limited to the members of the Board of Commissioners, members of the County Council, and the Coroner, are participants in the Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS), formerly known as the Indiana Public Employee Retirement Fund (PERF) and that the County would make deposits to INPRS as required by Indiana law. This policy has been articulated in the Employee Handbook, which is incorporated into the County Code. The new section will read as follows:

(A) Indiana Public Retirement System (NPRS): The County has elected to participate in the Indiana Public Retirement System (NPRS), formerly known as Public Employee Retirement Fund (PERF). The County will make the statutorily required contribution for all full-time employees, other than Police Officers who are covered by their own retirement plan, and for all elected officials, including but not limited to members of the Board of Commissioners, members of the County Council, and the Coroner.

(B) Full-Time Employees and Elected Officials Ineligible for NPRS: For those full-time employees and those elected officials, who because of prior participation in INPRS as an employee or elected official are ineligible to participate in INPRS in their current capacity or are otherwise ineligible for INPRS, the County will provide retirement benefits equal to INPRS contributions had the employee or official been eligible for NPRS and will provide such benefits by way of a Section 457 plan or other retirement plan.

REQUEST TO SUSPEND RULES AND ADD SECOND READING ORDINANCE 2024-18. *Commissioner Frey moved to suspend the rules to add 2nd Reading Ordinance 2024-18. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

SECOND READING ORDINANCE 2024-18: An Ordinance Reaffirming the County Retirement Benefit Policy

Commissioner Frey moved to approve on second reading Ordinance 2024-18. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2024-20: Resolution Approving Corrective Action for Retirement Benefit Funding

Attorney Taylor stated, the Board of Commissioners have learned that an error had been made and that the County failed to make the required contributions for some members of the Board of Commissioners and County Council. The Resolution resolves that the Auditor will make the missed contributions for all current elected officials to INPRS and make additional contributions to INPRS in order to account for any lost growth in the participant's account because of the delayed contributions and the County Administrator will establish a Section 457 plan or similar retirement plan for any of the Commissioners, Council members, or other elected officials who are otherwise ineligible to participate in INPRS because of the rules of INPRS, and the Auditor will make contributions to this plan for the account of each such person as if that person were otherwise eligible to participate in INPRS, including the base contributions which were missed and any additional contributions necessary to account for lost growth in the account because of the delayed contributions.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve Resolution 2024-20. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

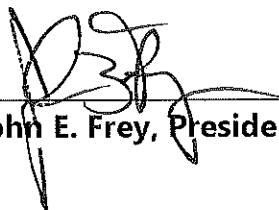
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned @ 8:11 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, 2024 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center-Room E-109.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



John E. Frey, President

Attest:

Mindy Byers, Auditor