

MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 10, 2025

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025 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 Vice President Commissioner Jim Fulwider; Commissioner Dan Guard, Member and Commissioner Jake Bohlander

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; County Administrator Tom Klein; Auditor Mindy Byers; Sheriff Ryan Needham; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Central Communications Director Sherri Hill; Health Administrator Adrienne Northcutt; Recorder Nancy Cox; Highway Director Jake Lough; Assessor Sherri Bentley; Assistant County Attorney Tyler Nichols and Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Commissioner Guard led the pledge of allegiance and the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP \$1,592,983.65
3/7 Payroll \$511,902.2

Minutes: February 24, 2025

Acknowledge Receipt of 2024 Annual Financial Report –

Every municipality and local government is required to provide electronically and in a manner prescribed by the state examiner, financial reports for the fiscal year not later than sixty days after the close of the fiscal year. The Annual Financial Report (AFR) is prepared by the County Auditor.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Request for Lane Closure on Nucor Road for Watermain Project –

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the Request for Lane Closure on Nucor Road for Watermain Project. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider.

Scott Minnick from Nucor Steel stated that they have had a lot of issues with Gradex and he is concerned and has questions on where the road closure will be and for how long.

Dustin Baldwin from Gradex stated they are proposing for the lane closure to be north of the main gate for 1.4 miles for approximately one month. The lane closure will end at CR300. The automated signals have a camera and sensors and will adjust with the changes in traffic flow throughout the days and nights.

Commissioner Fulwider questioned if there is a point of contact for both Nucor and Gradex. Scott Minnick will be Nucor's point of contact and Gradex will supply contact information for their Traffic manager as well.

Ryan Pattenau from Lochmueller stated that he did some research on the DATS proposed automated signals and found that the system is very reliable and will adjust with the traffic flow.

Jake Lough from Montgomery County Highway Department stated that the automated signals take the possibility of human error out of the equation. He stated a concern of the impact on the roads with loaded trucks sitting for longer periods of times and what kind of long term damage it could cause.

Commissioner Fulwider questioned if the automated signals detect if an emergency vehicle is coming through. They did not know the answer but will check.

Scott Minnick from Nucor stated that he can supply a Nucor radio to Gradex which will alert them of any incidents going on at the plant.

Hearing no further discussion, motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-6 Creating the 2025 OCRA Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program Fund - \$450,000

Montgomery County has been approved by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA), to receive a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds in the amount of \$450,000 to establish and implement a County-wide Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program. The fund is created in order to receive the funds from the Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) and to provide a mechanism for appropriation and accounting for the funds used.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2025-6. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-9 Amending Rules and Procedures

The Montgomery County Code of Ordinances and Board of Commissioners Rules of Procedure govern how the Board of Commissioners conducts its meetings. The

ordinance amends Title III, Chapter 31, Article III, Section 1, Meetings and Article V, Section 1, Regular meetings and adding "consent agenda" to the agenda list.
Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2025-9. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

RESOLUTIONS


ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, meeting adjourned @ 8:18 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.


The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 24, 2025 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center-Room E-109.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



Dan Guard, President

Attest:



Mindy Byers, Auditor