

STATE OF INDIANA)
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COUNTY OF CLAY)

NOVEMBER 04, 2024

The November 4, 2024, Regular meeting of the Clay County Commissioners was called to order by President Marty Heffner at 9:00 a.m. Those present included Commissioners Paul Sindere, Bryan Allender and Marty Heffner. Eric Somheil, Attorney for the County Executive, was present. Also attending was Patricia A. Foxx, Auditor of Clay County who made a record of the proceedings to wit:

Brison Swearingen led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the opening prayer by Marty Heffner.

A motion to approve October 7, 2024, Regular Meeting minutes and October 28, 2024, Special Meeting minutes was made by Paul Sindere and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERATION OF JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SCANNER CLERK

Amy Jordan, Clerk, presented the job description for scanner clerk. This is a full time position and will start January 1, 2025.

Motion to approve the scanner clerk job description was made by Paul Sindere and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT FROM RQAW

Marty explained that Safe Street 4 grant project awarded the contract to RQAW. Brianna Stiegler, representative of RQAW, is looking forward to working with the county to get the project completed.

Motion to approve the RQAW contract was made by Paul Sindere and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR WIC GRANT RENEWAL

Patti Foxx, Auditor, presented the WIC grant due to Rachael Dickerson, WIC Coordinator, being sick. The WIC grant renewal is from October 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2025. This year the grant request is for \$213,533.82. The dollar amount is based on last year's data and the number of people that are eligible for WIC. There is no County match.

Motion to approve the WIC grant as presented was made by Bryan Allender and seconded by Paul Sinders. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR CASA GRANT RENEWAL

Dawn Creech, presented CASA grant renewal for January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2025. This year the grant request is for \$113,822.74. The County match is \$83,347.74.

Motion to approve the CASA grant as presented was made by Paul Sinders and seconded by Bryan Allender. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR EMA SALARY GRANT RENEWAL

Rob Gambill, EMA Director, presented 2024 EMPG Salary Reimbursement Grant where the state pays half the salary. The grant is for October 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2025 for the amount of \$23,791.00. The County pays the other half plus the fringe benefits.

Motion to approve the EMA Salary grant as presented was made by Paul Sinders and seconded by Bryan Allender. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF ADA TRANSITION PLAN CONTRACT

Rob Gambill, EMA Director, gave an update on the ADA Transition Plan which needs to be updated every three years. Jordan Cunningham was present to answer any questions.

Motion to approve the ADA Transition Plan Contract from Thrive as presented was made by Bryan Allender and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 2-1.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR PURDUE UNIVERSITY CONTRACT

Natalie Korniak, Co Extension Director, presented the annual Purdue University contract. No changes were made to the Contract.

Motion to approve the Purdue University Contract as presented was made by Paul Sinders and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR WORKERS COMP INSURANCE RENEWAL CLAIM

Nick McCollum, Workers Comp agent, presented the claim to be paid pending the approval from the Council meeting tonight. The cost for the Workman's Compensation increased because of the added employees in the new addition of the jail.

Motion to approve the workers comp claim as presented was made by Paul Sindere and seconded by Bryan Allender subject to Council approval. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF TRUE RX AGREEMENT

Paul presented the True Rx Program with a change to a yearly renewal agreement.

Motion to approve the True Rx Program as presented was made by Paul Sindere and seconded by Bryan Allender. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF EVIDENCE BASED PROGRAMMING AND COUNSELING CONTRACT

Jordan Forquer, Community Correction Executive Director, presented the Evidence Based Programming and Counseling contract. Jordan said there was no change in the contract.

Motion to approve the Evidence Based Programming and Counseling Contract as presented was made by Bryan Allender and seconded by Paul Sindere. Motion carried 3-0.

IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY ANNUAL BIDS PACKET FOR 2025

Marty explained the highway annual bids packets for 2025 will be published and ready for review at next month's Commissioners meeting. Justin Lewicki and Candi Fritz had put the packets together for vendors to pick up.

Motion to approve the Bid Packet as presented was made by Bryan Allender and seconded by Paul Sindere. Motion carried 3-0.

**IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR REVISED DETOUR
DES#1800504**

Paul presented the Revised Detour DES #1800504 to the route of 50 E and 700 W of Clay City, Indiana.

Motion to approve the Revised Detour DES#1800504 as presented was made by Paul Sinderson and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0

**IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION FOR BI-CENTENNIAL
COMMITTEE**

Marty explained that Clay County will be coming up on 200 years old next year. It would be good to have a committee formed to assist in the celebration ceremony.

Motion to approve the Bi-Centennial Committee as presented was made by Paul Sinderson and seconded by Bryan Allender. Motion carried 3-0

**IN MATTER OF CONSIDERATION OF BESSIE EAGLESFIELD
MARKER**

Paul explained the committee of Paul Sinderson, Vickie Mace and Jeff Koehler considered the location on the courthouse lawn. The Committee suggested putting the marker on the south side of the courthouse in the east area.

Motion to approve Bessie Eaglesfield marker as presented was made by Paul Sinderson and seconded by Marty Heffner. Motion carried 3-0

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nancy Schopmeyer and Frances Silta were concerned regarding the detour of Connelly Ditch. Paul Sinderson said INDOT has closed the bridge/road to all traffic and the road is to be re-opened the first week of December.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business pertaining to this regular meeting, a motion to adjourn was made by Paul Sinderson and seconded by Bryan Allender. Motion carried 3-0.

Clay County Commissioners

Attest:

Clay County Auditor