

## **REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

### **June 30, 2025**

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Monday, June 30, 2025, with Commissioners Ron Jarman, Kenny Aulbach and Jeff Wilson present. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Grant Reeves were also present.

Ron Jarman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge to the American Flag.

### **MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Session held on June 16, 2025, were presented. Jeff Wilson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second, by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **CLAIMS**

- Accounts payable claims for June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$294,460.76 were presented. Kenny Aulbach made a motion to approve the claims. Second, by Jeff Wilson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PAYROLL**

- Payroll for July 3, 2025, in the amount of \$264,512.31, was presented. Jeff Wilson moved to approve the payroll claims. Second, by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

- Director Jodi Harr presented the Commissioners with the acceptance page for the health plan summary modifications for approval. Jeff Wilson moved to approve the plan benefits. Second by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Director Jodi Harr advised the Commissioners that effective July 1, 2025, Indiana State Law changed permitting employees to attend school conferences and case conferences. Harr requested approval of Resolution 2025-8 Amending the Rush County Employee Handbook to Include a Policy for Unpaid Leave to Attend School Conferences and Case Conference Committee Meetings. Kenny Aulbach moved to accept Resolution 2025-8. Seconded by Jeff Wilson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **PROSECUTOR**

- Deputy Prosecutor Laura Holt requested the approval of the Commissioners to apply for the 2025-2026 Stop Grant in the amount of \$41,021.08 with a county match of \$13,673.69 that is paid out of deferral funds. The purpose of the grant is to provide a deputy prosecutor dedicated to the prosecution of cases involving domestic violence. Jeff Wilson moved to approve applying for the Stop Grant. Second by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **AUDITOR**

- Auditor Tammy Justice presented the Commissioners with a GIS Data Sharing Agreement between Rush County and HWC Engineering for approval. Jeff Wilson moved to approve the GIS Data Sharing Agreement

with HWC Engineering. Second by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

- Commissioner Jeff Wilson inquired if Auditor Tammy Justice had received any phone calls from the township trustees regarding budgeting for road work. Justice advised she had received one call, and she advised them to contact their financial advisors.

### **SHERIFF**

- Sheriff Allan Rice advised the Commissioners that the compressor on the freezer unit went out over the weekend. They are working with Choice Mechanical to fix the issue. They were able to get a portable freezer from Gettinger's, so there was no loss of food.
- Sheriff Allan Rice also advised the Commissioners the air handlers at the jail were not cooling the building. It was found that the chiller was plugged, so Trane cleared the plug.
- Sheriff Allan Rice advised the Commissioners that a jailer had a drug exposure from intake of an inmate over the weekend. Rice stated this is the second time in six (6) months they have had a drug exposure, and he is not sure where in their intake process it is happening.
- Sheriff Allan Rice reminded the Commissioners he would be at the state-called jail conference July 14-17. Commissioner Ron Jarman reminded Sheriff Rice of a conference call on July 2<sup>nd</sup>, regarding federal inmates.

### **HIGHWAY**

- Superintendent Jerry Sitton advised the Commissioners that covered bridge #94 was completed.

### **MISC**

- Commissioner Jeff Wilson advised the Commissioners that the \$500,000.00 OCRA Grant for the Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program was awarded to Rush County.
- County Attorney Grant Reeves opened sealed bids for the construction and landscaping services around the courthouse. Vogel's Florist submitted a landscaping bid in the amount of \$79,229.00. Schutte Excavating submitted a concrete and construction bid in the amount of \$162,625.00. Reeves recommended the Commissioners take the bids under advisement to give him time to verify that all specs were covered. Kenny Aulbach made a motion to table the bids. Second by Jeff Wilson. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Jeff Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Second, by Kenny Aulbach. All were in favor. Motion carried.

/Ron Jarman/  
Ron Jarman

/Kenny Aulbach/  
Kenny Aulbach

/Jeffery Wilson/  
Jeffery Wilson

ATTEST:

/Heather Carlton/  
Heather Carlton, Auditor Assistant