

## **REGULAR MEETING     RUSH COUNTY COUNCIL     August 13, 2025**

The Rush County Council met for the regular Rush County Council meeting on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. with County Council Members Charlie Smith, Denny Corn, Amy Grocox, Janet Kile, Kyle Gardner, Scott Barnes and Carl Harcourt present. Auditor Tammy Justice and County Attorney Grant Reeves were also present.

Councilman Charlie Smith called the Regular Session to order at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioners roll call at 9:00 a.m. with Ron Jarman, Kenny Aulbach and Jeff Wilson present.

Minutes of July 9, 2025, Regular Session meeting was presented. Amy Grocox made the motion to approve the minutes. Second, by Carl Harcourt. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes of July 9, 2025, Special Session meeting was presented. Amy Grocox made the motion to approve the minutes. Second, by Denny Corn. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **SUPERIOR COURT**

- Judge Leigh Morning requested approval from the Council to transfer \$750.00 from 1000.40003.00000.0201 Furniture & Equipment to 1000.20010.00000.0201 Supplies. Amy Grocox moved to allow the transfer. Second, by Carl Harcourt. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

- Director Jodi Harr requested approval from the Council for Resolution 2025-9, A Resolution Establishing Fund #7119 Employee Wellness Contribution Fund for Rush County, Indiana. Amy Grocox moved to sign Resolution 2025-9. Second, by Janet Kile. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Director Jodi Harr advised the Council that Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> will be family night at the Love Community Center for all Rush County Employees. Harr also thanked the donors whose donations helped to make family night happen.

### **AUDITOR**

- Auditor Tammy Justice requested directions from the Council on where to put the Riverboat Revenue for 2026. Carl Harcourt moved to put the 2026 Riverboat Revenue in the Riverboat Fund. Second, by Amy Grocox. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Auditor Tammy Justice presented the Council with Resolution 2025-8, A Resolution of the Rush County Council Recommending 2026 Property Tax Levy Limits for Taxing Units for signatures. Minutes need to show this was previously adopted by the Council on July 9, 2025, meeting and the resolution only needed to be signed.
- Auditor Tammy Justice reminded the Council of the Special Council meeting scheduled for August 20, 2025, for LIT.

Commissioner Ron Jarman left meeting at 9:10 a.m. and returned at 9:21 a.m.

## **SHERIFF**

- Sheriff Allan Rice presented the Council with the six (6) month commissary report. Denny Corn moved to approve the report. Second, by Scott Barnes. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Sheriff Allan Rice updated the Council on issues with the Trane cooling tower.
- Sheriff Allan Rice updated the Council on the Security Automated Service update
- Sheriff Allan Rice advised the Council the body camera program is coming up on a refresh which will require new cameras as well as new back-up batteries. If the county wishes to extend our current plan at \$42,000.00, which will be due in 2027, the new batteries would be free.

## **MISC**

- Craig Angle, Richland Township Trustee, presented his CIP to the Council. Carl Harcourt moved that the minutes show Richland Township presented its CIP. Second, by Denny Corn. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- Carolyn Keith, Union Township Trustee, presented her CIP to the Council. Janet Kile moved that the minutes show Union Township presented its CIP. Second, by Amy Grocox. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- County Attorney Grant Reeves advised the Council that Orange Township and Center Township submitted their CIP to the Auditor. Amy Grocox moved that the minutes show Orange and Center Townships submitted their CIP's. Second, by Carl Harcourt. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn was made by Scott Barnes. Second, by Amy Grocox. All were in favor. Motion carried

Chairman Charlie Smith opened the 2026 Budget Workshop at 9:25 a.m.

The workshop was recessed for lunch at 12:00 p.m.

The workshop was reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

The 2026 budget workshop concluded at 3:45 p.m.

The next Council meeting will be a Special Session on August 20, 2025, and the next Regular Council meeting will be September 10, 2025.

/Charles Smith/  
Charles Smith, Chairman

/Scott Barnes/  
Scott Barnes

/Denny Corn/  
Denny Corn

/Janet Kile/  
Janet Kile

/Kyle Gardner/  
Kyle Gardner

/Carl Harcourt/  
Carl Harcourt

/Absent/  
Amy Grocox

ATTEST:

/Tammy Justice/  
Tammy Justice, Auditor