

COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Baird at 10:02a.m. Kevin Walls was present. Ron West was present via Zoom.

INVOCATION

Mr. Baird gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Baird led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adam Gaberry, County Attorney, noted that all votes will be taken in a roll call format for the meeting due to Mr. West participating via Zoom.

ASSIST INDIANA – Approval to Use County Property for “Take Back the Night” Event on April 11, 2024

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request to use the east lawn of the Courthouse for the “Take Back the Night” Event on April 11, 2024 as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. Public Safety Communications

1. Approval to Approach Council for Additional Appropriation

Heath Brant, Director, was present to request approval to approach the Council to request an additional appropriation for the purchase of a Motorola Key Variable Loader (KVL).

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request to approach the Council for additional appropriations as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. Clerk

1. Approval of Knowink, LLC Amendment to Agreement

Trena McLaughlin, Clerk, was present in the audience for the approval of the Knowink LLC Amendment to Agreement in regards to maintenance of the Knowink poll pads.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the Amendment as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

C. Recorder

1. State Wide Property Fraud Alert Systems – District 5 Press Conference on January 31, 2024

Teresa Petro, Recorder, was present to request approval to host the State Wide Fraud Alert Systems – District 5 Press Conference on January 31, 2024. She noted the Fraud Alert System is required to be offered by County Recorder Offices per State Statute.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request to host the press conference in the Auditorium as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

D. Assessor

1. Approval of Midwest Presort Agreement for 2024 Form 11 Mailing

Mike Watkins, Assessor, was present to request approval of the Midwest Presort Agreement for 2024 Form 11 mailing.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the agreement as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

E. Auditor

1. Approval of Nyhart Service Agreement

Elizabeth Alvey, Auditor, was present to request approval of the annual Nyhart Service Agreement for GAAP, OPEB, and Full GASB 75 services.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

F. Planning & Zoning

1. Ordinance 2023-Z-1: An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of Johnson County, Indiana Sections 6-101-5E Outdoor Storage of Vehicles and Other Materials – Second Reading

Michele Hansard, Director, was present in the audience for the second reading of Ordinance 2023-Z-1.

Mr. Walls moved to approve Ordinance 2023-Z-1 as presented on second reading. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Deerfield Subdivision, Section 2 – Approval of Construction Plans, Acceptance of Inspection Services and Testing Services Agreements, and Approval of Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. Proposal Acceptance Agreement

Mrs. Hansard was also present in the audience for the approval of construction plans, acceptance of inspection and testing service agreements, and approval of Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. proposal acceptance agreement for the Deerfield Subdivision, Section 2 Project.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the requests for the Deerfield Subdivision, Section 2 Project as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

G. Board of Commissioners

1. Approval of Easement with Duke Energy Indiana, LLC – Parcel # 41-11-26-011-004.000-020

Mr. Walls moved to approve the easement with Duke Energy Indiana, LLC for the County Park Building Demo Project, as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Ratification of Wurster Construction Company, Inc. Change Orders #2, #3, #4, #6, and #7 for the Behavioral Mental Health Building Project

Mr. Walls noted he had reviewed the change orders with Wes Harrison, Project Manager, and felt everything was in order.

Mr. Walls then moved to ratify the above change orders for the Behavioral Mental Health Building Project as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

3. 2024 Board Appointments:

a. Plan Commission – (1)

b. Board of Zoning Appeals (Member of Plan Commission) – (1)

Mrs. Hansard came before the Commissioners to note that she had reached out to all three applicants for this board appointment and each one seemed qualified and willing to serve on both boards.

Mr. Walls moved to appoint Douglas Grey to the Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals (Member of Plan Commission). Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

c. Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (Freehold Member) – (1)

Mr. Watkins came before the Commissioners to note the current appointee is willing to stay on the board until a new appointment is made.

Mr. Gadberry recommended contacting the Democratic Party Chair to assist in finding an appointment that meets the requirements per state statute.

Mr. Walls moved to table the appointment to the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals until more applications were received. Mr. Baird seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

d. Amity Fire Protection District (Franklin Township) – (1)

Mr. Walls moved to table the appointment to the Amity Fire Protection District Board until applications were received. Mr. Baird seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

e. Johnson County Community Corrections Advisory Board – (1)

Mr. Walls moved to appoint Pam Burton, County Council President, to the Johnson County Community Corrections Advisory Board. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Claims and Credit Card

Mr. West moved to approve all claim and credit card purchases as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Commissioners' Minutes

1. 1/8/2024 – Regular Meeting

Mr. Walls moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

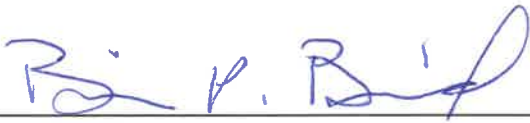
Public Comment — *(limited to 5 minutes per person, please)*

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Walls moved to adjourn. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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Brian Baird



Kevin Walls



Ron West

Attest:

Elizabeth A. Alvey
Auditor

