

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

March 17, 2026

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on March 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. in the County Meeting Room, at 2 E. Washington Street, Suite 105, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner Jordan Brewer called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

Jordan Brewer
Kevin Myers
Bert Weaver

ABSENT

Others in attendance were Rick Campbell, Liz Stitzel, Grace Gouveia, Britt Ostler, and others are shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brewer led the pledge of allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were received.

IN THE MATTER OF PURDUE EXTENSION ANNUAL REPORT

Amy Webster reminded everyone of their open house at 11:00. She gave an annual report stating one of the biggest things over the year is helping the farmers with their pesticide applicators license. They had four different programs offered and helped over 400 farmers get pesticide credits. They had eight participants learn how to write grants and 12 people already signed up for this year. She took over hosting an artificial insemination school and had 10 participants in that class. They have had many youth classes.

Hannah Daniels-4-H Educator, highlighted the 82 mini 4-H members. From 2024 that was an increase of 138.2%. They were able to through their 4-H council award \$4,000 in scholarships to their 4-H members. All of their seniors in 4-H have an opportunity to apply for the Clinton County 4-H Council Scholarship and they awarded 8 kids last year.

Caren Jenkins-HHS Educator teaches food management through serve safe classes, and had a passing rate of 93%. Certification lasts 5 years. A matter of balance is fall prevention for the elderly population. She teaches a mental health class called compassion, and resilience education at work. She teaches a 12 week program for food is medicine and received a \$4,600 grant for the program.

Rachel Milburn-Youth services manager at the library, shared her and her daughter's personal experience with what she had learned for 4-H.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell reported he had the BF&S consultant contract for Bridge #115 for right-of-way services. Mike Waldron stated the right-of-way services which includes the appraisal process.

Rick gave the annual operating report for the County Highway Department. He stated they paved 11 miles with community crossings last year, and 40 miles of chip seal, 8 miles of that was triple chip and seal. It takes \$15,000 a mile to chip seal a road. He hired a new truck driver that needs commissioner approval for his CDL training. He asked for approval to get a new pick up truck. He will trade in a 2000 chevy for the new truck for a road foreman.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the truck. Commissioner Myers seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Rick stated the General assembly put aside \$75 million dollars for counties that applied for community crossings but did not get it. Our county received about \$888,000 of that money. Those funds will be used for streets in Scircleville, Hillisburg, Krug Road 600 West from 38 to 700 North.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the CDL training for new employee Cecil Smith. Commissioner Myers seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the consulting contract with BF&S. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Brewer stated at the end of 2025 we had roughly a total of \$6 million in the cash balance, cash and investments. The county and county highway are the ACECEEA (American Council of Engineering Companies Engineering Excellence Award) state finalist for the State Road 28 800 West roundabout project. There are 3 levels, the honor award, merit, and the state finalist. It will be presented on April 30th.

Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the annual highway report. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF MOWING BIDS

Tom Little opened the mowing bids and read them as follows:

Smith Outdoors LLC	\$23,560
Exterior View	\$20,000.05

Commissioner Weaver motioned to take under advisement. Commissioner Myers seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN UPDATE

Liz Stitzel reports the house on Michigantown Road that's been a long-standing issue on unsafe structures. The septic system was not installed properly and the Health Department attempted to work with them to find a solution and wasn't able to get anything to move forward, so they have now issued an unfit for habitation order. She will have more details at the next meeting and will try to contact the owners.

Liz introduced the new building inspector, Yomar Fontan Jimenez.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Envoy

Commissioner Myers motioned to approve Envoy pay app #19 for the courthouse in the amount of \$731,312.67 with a balance to finish of \$2,595,452.82. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Investigation

Commissioner Brewer asked Chief Deputy Shawn Mayfield if the internal investigation is still ongoing. Shawn reported that it was still an ongoing investigation internally and had been handed over to the State Police and that was all he could say about it. Commissioner Brewer asked if the investigation that was handed over to the State Police was it because of crimes committed while on duty. Shawn stated it was still under investigation. Commissioner Brewer asked if that was the merit side and where did it stand on the civilian side because the civilian side was more the commissioners' role in the matter. Shawn repeated it's still under investigation. Commissioner Brewer asked if there had been any new information to come to light of who the civilian is. Shawn stated internally it is still under investigation. The State Police are not investigating the civilian. Commissioner Brewer asked if he personally or the investigation itself received any formal complaints on whom the civilian is. Shawn stated again it was still under investigation. Commissioner Brewer asked for the timeline of this investigation. Shawn responded he was hoping it would be the next 3-4 weeks. Commissioner Brewer stated he had a letter that requests for any evidence related to the civilian side of the internal investigation that's not related to a crime or under criminal investigation to be turned over to the commissioners and at that point they will use a third-party investigator to go through alleged violations of county policies and behavior expectations that have not been met. The letter is for Rich and they will email it as well. Commissioner Brewer asked if all the civilian employees have been interviewed for the investigation. Shawn stated he had no idea and it was still under investigation. He is not the one investigating it. Commissioner Brewer asked who the investigation was being reported to. Shawn stated he's kind of supervising, but he's not privileged to give them information right now. Commissioner Brewer asked when it was turned over to the state police, did that pause the internal investigation. Shawn said it did pause the investigation. Commissioner Brewer stated then the internal is not happening if it's paused it now has criminal activity related to it and that's why it's at the state police. Shawn stated that was true. Commissioner Brewer stated for the record they have received multiple formal complaints related to the civilian side, which is what the letter lays out, the plan of action they would expect to be taken over this time period. He said this will be on the agenda every single meeting until it comes out.

Shawn stated they had an elevator issue at the building with the doors not shutting. The mechanic was able to fix it but also told them the elevator was obsolete. If something major happens they would not have parts to fix it. He will get a quote.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brewer stated they have to give the Associates IU Health Clinic a 90 day notice to terminate or renew the agreement. He asked to vote to terminate the agreement to allow some flexibility to renegotiate with either IU or other potential vendors for the county employees. They've met with 3 vendors, and this is in conjunction with the City and Utility. Commissioner Myers motioned to terminate the agreement with the Associates IU Health Clinic. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the sign placement request for New Beginnings Ministry. Commissioner Myers seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Interlocal Agreement with the City of Frankfort and Board of Works

Commissioner Brewer stated the City is taking on a project to enhance the city on Maish Road and expand the sidewalk where it stops now north all the way south. They worked with the county to get that bridge replaced, the county owns the bridge, but to have a sidewalk now it has to be wider. They received approximately 80% grant funding to replace the bridge and they are paying the 20% match. The county will have some cost related to our own engineer inspections. Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the interlocal agreement. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Steven Deckard reported he had an agreement with Versiti for blood services that needed approval. He presented Eskenazi's agreement and Ascension agreement for sponsoring hospital. After some discussion Commissioner Myers motioned to approve Eskenazi and Versiti agreements. Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0. They will review the Ascension agreement before voting.

Melissa Ostler reported that their Board of Health meeting is at 5:00 p.m. They will go to their board with their annual review. She is working on position alignment and working closely with the job description committee and HR. She will be posting a part-time position soon that's already funded and approved.

She reported House Bill 1402 and Senate Bill 1414 back in 2023 made significant changes to sewage ordinances. Our county ordinance cannot be more strict than the state's statute. It removes our county ordinance 2010-05 by state law. It is IAC 410 6-8 and that which falls after. It does not change our fee schedule or remove them.

Renee Crick reported after meeting with the fire chiefs they will begin quarterly training at the EMA training complex. Last Saturday they had over 30 firefighters training all day. Last week they posted that EMA has the crank emergency weather radios for anybody who wants them. The storm spotter class is March 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Frankfort Police Department. They toured the Frankfort schools.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Brewer reported there is a new additional opioid settlement and will be additional funding coming at some point.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Myers motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Weaver seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated March 6, 2026 in the amount of \$65,430.25
 Friday claims dated March 13, 2026 in the amount of \$27,978.21
 Bi-weekly claims dated March 17, 2026 in the amount of \$369,478.03
 Court claims dated March 17, 2026 in the amount of \$28,702.01

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Weaver motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Myers seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll dated February 20, 2026 in the amount of \$595,917.41

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

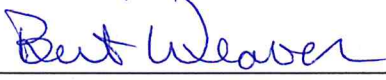
Commissioner Myers motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated March 3, 2026, seconded by Commissioner Weaver. Motion carried 3-0.

The next meeting will be April 7th.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Myers motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Weaver 9:54 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY

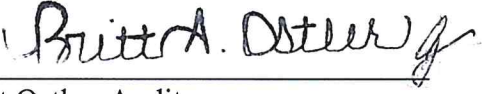


Jordan Brewer, President

Bert Weaver

Kevin Myers

ATTEST:



Britt Ostler, Auditor