

BE IT REMEMBERED THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in the Henry County Courthouse Circuit Courtroom on Wednesday January 25, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. with the following members present: Steve Dellinger, Joe Wiley, Bobbi Plummer, Debbie Walker; Henry County Auditor and Joel Harvey; County Attorney.

Steve Dellinger called the meeting to order with the pledge followed by a prayer.

A motion was made by Bobbi Plummer and seconded by Joe Wiley to approve the minutes from the previous meetings. Motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Bobbi Plummer and seconded by Joe Wiley to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Bobbi Plummer and seconded by Joe Wiley to approve the payroll as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

A motion was made by Bobbi Plummer and seconded by Joe Wiley to approve the Weights and Measures monthly report and a public notice from Center Point Energy regarding a new gas line. Motion carried 3-0.

Joe Copeland discussed two financial commitment letters that the commissioners need to approve and sign. The Community Crossing Matching Grant Fund is estimated to be roughly \$1,555,047.24 based on 2022. Bobbi Plummer moved to approve the financial commitment letter for the Community Crossing Matching Grant Fund. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

There is also funding availability for bridge preventative maintenance. With this federal funding they will pay for 80% of design, construction, and inspection. Bobbi Plummer made a motion to allow Joe Copeland to apply for the federal bridge preventative maintenance funding. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Joe Copeland stated that he put together a financial commitment letter INDOT for Non-Discrimination Accessibility. Bobbi Plummer moved to approve the Non-Discrimination Accessibility financial commitment letter to INDOT. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Joe Copeland discussed the Highway Department's copy machine that has broken down and is so old that they cannot get parts for it. He obtained a quote from Braden Office Equipment for a new one and there were options for buying or renting. Joe is requesting to buy a new copier for \$5,000.00 which includes a \$200.00 trade-in credit for the old, broken copier. Bobbi Plummer made a motion to allow Mr. Copeland to purchase the new copy machine for \$5,000.00. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Sheriff John Sproles addressed some concerns that he has about the Sheriff's Department. There were no meetings whatsoever between the individuals leaving office and those coming in. When he came into office the department had been sitting on bills that date all the way back to May of 2022. He stated that they have paid out over \$100,000.00 in bills from last year so most of 2023's budget has already been basically depleted.

Sheriff Sproles went on to discuss his salary contract. He stated that his attorney is in the process of looking over it and gave a copy to Joel Harvey, the county attorney, to review it.

Sheriff Sproles presented a letter requesting permission to obtain a credit card for the Sheriff's department to use. The card that he is requesting would be through Citizens State Bank and would have a \$30,000.00 credit limit.

Sheriff Sproles states that the department is short of staff and vehicles. Some of the patrol cars that are in use have over 230,000 miles on them. He adds that the detective division is 2 deputies short and they really need to add those positions in.

Sheriff Sproles states that the Sheriff's Department is currently paying \$20,000.00 per year for their cleaning contract. He asked that the commissioners add the department to their contract because they currently pay for other department's cleaning. Bobbi Plummer states that the commissioners do not pay for all other departments, the highway, community corrections, and the park provide their own, and if the Sheriff's Department were to be added into the commissioners contract there would also have to be a transfer of funds to cover it.

Sheriff Sproles states that the other pod of the jail is needed greatly. The inmate count is currently very close to capacity and there are still many warrants that need to be served. There are also 5 DOC inmates that have been staying in the jail for over 11 months that we have not billed DOC for. They believe that the DOC is going to pay the last three months of payment but they have been arguing over getting paid for housing these inmates. Sheriff Sproles states that the department can also bill insurance companies for transporting inmates more than 30 miles, which would create a substantial amount of income.

Sheriff Sproles states that there has never been any money budgeted for K9's. Three K9's recently retired so the department needs at least two more. The cost to get a K9 fully trained is roughly \$25,000.00 so the department is working on raising \$50,000.00 to cover the two K9's.

Sheriff Sproles discussed the need for SRO's. Blue River has enough money this year to reimburse Gary Wilson's salary if he can go be the SRO for Blue River Schools and the commissioners provide the benefit portion of the salary. Bobbi Plummer asks if this would be a MOU between the commissioners and Blue River and Joel Harvey answers that he has actually already drafted this agreement.

Sheriff Sproles states that he is hoping that the commissioners can get the Right Stuff time keeping software done fairly quickly because with ADP, which is the Sheriff's Department's current software, he believes that his employees are taking advantage of their time keeping. Bobbi Plummer answers that the Commissioners and Auditor just had a meeting this week regarding the new software and it shouldn't be long before it is in place.

Sheriff Sproles inquires about swearing in of deputies. He states that he has not been able to obtain a solid answer to who is responsible for swearing them in. The Indiana Sheriff's Association told Sheriff Sproles that he is responsible for it. Debbie Walker, Henry County Auditor states that she will research that and get Sheriff Sproles an answer.

Sheriff Sproles discussed the need for flock cameras. These cameras will allow the Sheriff's Department to track vehicles and plates. Bobbi Plummer states that the county's grant administrator is in the process of searching for a grant that will cover these cameras. Sheriff Sproles states that these will be extremely helpful if there were ever to be an amber alert or a murder in Henry County. There are over 1500 of these cameras in Indiana and 38 states use them.

Sheriff Sproles addressed the need for new firearms for the officers. The department is currently using Glock 21's which are 45 calibers and the ammo for them is very expensive. The guns that the department are currently using are large which doesn't work out well for smaller individuals.

Sheriff Sproles states that he would really appreciate the commissioners helping him work towards these goals and items.

Steve Dellinger requests that Sheriff Sproles send all of these requests to the commissioners in an email.

Bobbi Plummer states that a lot of the items that Sheriff Sproles mentioned will be the council's decision.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to allow the Sheriff's Department to obtain a credit card pending the creation of a policy for using them. Motion is seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Debbie Walker requested permission to use the room in the basement where CASA used to be for the month of February for the digitizing of records. The commissioners agreed to this request.

Debbie Walker discussed the need for a Commissioners' sale. This sale would be online. There are 48 properties that have just been rolling through each tax sale. Debbie added that all the commissioners need to do is set an amount that they would like to sell each property for. Last year that amount was set at \$125. Bobbi Plummer made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-01-25(001) Establishing the Intent to Conduct a Commissioners' Sale to Sell Tax Sale Certificates for Properties that are Severely Delinquent in Payment of Property Taxes

RESOLUTION 2023-01-11(001)

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE INTENT TO CONDUCT A COMMISSIONERS' SALE TO SELL TAX SALE CERTIFICATES FOR PROPERTIES THAT ARE SEVERELY DELINQUENT IN PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES.

WHEREAS, there are several properties in Henry County that are severely delinquent in the payment of property taxes, having been offered for tax sales and which received no bids equal to or in excess of minimum sale price. The parcel numbers of those properties being attached to this resolution as "Exhibit A", and

WHEREAS, there is an assessed value associated with these properties for taxation purposes, but no taxes are being collected, therefore causing a lower than expected tax distribution to those taxing units and taxing districts within which the properties are located, and

WHEREAS, the Henry County Commissioners desire to have these properties back on the tax rolls with taxes being collected, and

WHEREAS, IC 6-1.1-24-6, *et seq* allows for the Henry County Commissioners to acquire a lien on those delinquent properties and receive issuance of the tax sale certificates for those properties, without taking title to the properties, therefore limiting the liability and cost normally associated with taking title.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Henry County Board of Commissioners that the County Executive shall acquire liens and receive tax sale certificates of the properties listed on Exhibit A that are severely delinquent and sell said certificates at a properly advertised Commissioner Tax Certificate sale.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Henry County Board of Commissioners this 26th day of January, 2023

Steve Dally
President, Board of Commissioners

Joe A. Wiley
Commissioner

JB
Commissioner

ATTEST: *Debra G. Walker*
Henry County Auditor

2022 TAX SALE CERTIFICATES HELD BY THE HENRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Exhibit A

Parcel ID	Property ID	Owner Name	Legal Description	Property Location	Statement of Value	Statement of Assessment
31200011	003 0120-00	Moss, Shari J	MEDFACILCUBING DRUG PLANT S LOT 2 BK 1A 20 400	5000 W. W. Highway, Bk. 1A, Lot 2	\$2,211.95	\$2,211.95
31200015	005 02-17-00	Zap State Building, LLC	PT 1/2 AC SW 1/4 Sec 17 T 9 R 12 E	W. County Road 300.5	\$1,134.94	\$1,134.94
31200017	007 05-11-00	Remmet, David Ray	WANT LARKINS SUB DIV WYERWOOD LOT 2 LK 1, 207	County Road 100.5	\$160.01	\$160.01
31200028	007-05-15-00	Brown, Alan	WYERWOODS SUB DIV W 7 LOT 10	W. County Road 100.5	\$100.34	\$100.34
31200030	007-07-14-00	CAN FRED H DENARD	SW 1/4 SEC 16, T9N, R12E	W. County Road 100.5	\$1,811.55	\$1,811.55
31200030	012 04-07-00	McGowan, William	RTOWN LANE LOTS 1846-1847	W. Winder Dr	\$500.00	\$500.00
31200041	012 04-13-00	McGowan, William	RTOWN LANE LOTS 1846-1847	W. Winder Dr	\$221.35	\$221.35
31200042	012 04-17-00	Camp, Larry E	RTOWN LANE LOTS 2008-2012	W. Winder Ave	\$817.06	\$817.06
31200043	012 04-18-00	Davis, Regie	RTOWN LANE LOTS 2315-2316	W. Winder Dr	\$1,276.88	\$1,276.88
31200045	012 04-18-00	McGowan, William	RTOWN LANE LOTS 2402-2403	W. Winder Ave	\$2,043.55	\$2,043.55
31200046	014 10-10-10	McGowan, William	RTOWN LANE LOT 456	W. Winder Dr	\$1,610.81	\$1,610.81
31200051	014 10-10-10	McGowan, William	RTOWN LANE LOT 503	W. Winder Dr	\$2,100.17	\$2,100.17
31200062	014 10-11-10	Dick, Henry B	RTOWN LANE LOTS 565, 566	W. Winder Dr	\$415.19	\$415.19

Sal ID	Property ID	Owner Name	Legal Description	Property Location	Assessment Value	Assessment Date
31220055	014-10014-10	Head Richard E Reding 2 Bond 8	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 527	W Side Dr	\$999.01	
31220055	014-10014-10	Conley Conner	KTOWN LAK LOT 527	W Side Dr	\$667.12	
31220056	014-10095-00	Real Estate	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 462	W Side Blvd	\$4,000.79	
31220055	014-10095-00	Bank Trust 1	KTOWN LAK LOT 124	Section 81	\$2,481.93	
31220010	014-10151-00	Jahson Family Partnership	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 527	Center	\$2,388.17	
31220010	014-10083-00	Snidger Wade V	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 527	W Side Blvd	\$2,586.97	
31220010	014-10110-00	Ruth Conroy Rendall LC	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 527	W Side Dr	\$310.62	
31220010	014-10112-00	Henner	KTOWN LAK LOT 528 527	W Side Dr	\$3,176.81	
31220010	014-10204-00	Edin Dennis R	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	E 4th St	\$6,671.96	
31220010	014-10217-00	Perdue/Strawh Michael Robb	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$5,494.40	
31220010	014-10217-00	Robert David G	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$7,339.80	
31220011	014-10215-00	Robert James S	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$5,006.88	
31220012	014-10215-00	Shewmaker J Madam	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$911.50	
31220013	014-10215-00	Head Charles E	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$5,409.18	
31220013	014-10215-00	Tucker Lewis	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$5,481.10	
31220014	014-10215-00	Haskins James A	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$1,300.11	
31220015	014-10215-00	Smith Charles E	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$908.16	
31220015	014-10215-00	Day Todd	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	103 5th St	\$1,011.34	

Sal ID	Property ID	Owner Name	Legal Description	Property Location	Assessment Value	Assessment Date
31220016	010-10030-00	Thompson Marlene	KTOWN LAK LOT 1 8 1	197th St	\$12,284.86	
31220014	010-11710-00	Spring Field E 104 St	KTOWN LAK LOT 29	197th St	\$10,682.97	
31220016	010-1185-00	Top Right Realty LLC	KTOWN LAK LOT 29	197th St	\$1,141.77	
31220016	010-1185-00	General Entry	KTOWN LAK LOT 155	197th St	\$3,806.99	
31220016	010-1185-00	Rob McCham	KTOWN LAK LOT 50	28th St	\$10,133.18	
31220016	010-1185-00	Rob McCham	KTOWN LAK LOT 12	11th St	\$1,606.49	
31220016	010-1185-00	Verne Dennis Paul	KTOWN LAK LOT 12	11th St	\$32,660.12	
31220016	010-1185-00	Conrad Paul LLC	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	11th St	\$7,842.41	
31220016	010-1185-00	Wang Rubin	KTOWN LAK LOT 7	11th St	\$93,171.95	
31220016	010-1185-00	Daley Robert Clumpus	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$1,128.63	
31220016	010-1185-00	Smith Robert	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$1,903.10	
31220016	010-1185-00	Young Bruce	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$4,122.18	
31220016	010-1185-00	Davis Robert Paul E	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$4,872.12	
31220016	010-1185-00	Shen Carol Ann E	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$1,785.74	
31220016	010-1185-00	Genet Frederick LLC	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$2,129.48	
31220016	010-1185-00	Hazard Nicole	KTOWN LAK LOT 1	11th St	\$2,843.59	

Status: Property ID
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 Entry Name: 2025-2026
 Entry Description: 2025-2026
 Entry Type: New
 Entry Amount: \$13,100.00
 Entry Date: 12/11/2023
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 Entry Amount: \$13,100.00
 Entry Date: 12/11/2023

Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement by and between Randolph County, Indiana and Henry County, Indiana for the Joint Employment of a County Highway Engineer for Joe Copeland's employment. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to approve the bond for Joey Cooper in the amount of \$30,000.00. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to approve the bond for Edward Manning in the amount of \$5,000.00. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to cancel the last meeting of the month in September 2023 due to the commissioners being at a conference. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.

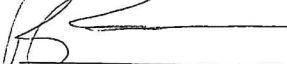
Joe Wiley made a motion to allow Butch Baker to pay an invoice from BB Community Leasing/Motorola for 911 software in the amount of \$35,959.30. Motion was seconded by Bobbi Plummer and carried 3-0.

Patty Broyles asked where the commissioners were planning to put the maintenance building. Steve Dellinger answers that it will be the same building that it currently is, right across from the old jail, just rebuilt.

Bobbi Plummer made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Joe Wiley and carried 3-0.


 Steve Dellinger, President


 Joe Wiley, Vice President


 Bobbi Plummer, Member

ATTEST:
 Debra G. Walker, Auditor