BE IT REMEMBERED THE HENRY COUNTY COUNCIL OF HENRY COUNTY, INDIANA, met in the Courthouse Circuit Courtroom, in the City of New Castle, Indiana on Thursday, August 22, 2019, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present: Chad Malicoat, Clay Morgan, Harold Griffin, Kenon Gray, Michael Thalls, Peggy Stefandel, Susan Huhn, Debra Walker, Henry County Auditor, County Attorney Joel Harvey.

The meeting was opened with the Invocation by Kenon Gray and the Pledge by Mike Thalls.

Chamber update by Shaun DuFault.

EDC Update by Corey Murphey.

Letter received from Dale Cole, Convention and Tourism President to replace Gayle Ratliff who has resigned with Scott Frost. **Motion:** To appoint Scott Frost to the Convention & Tourism Bureau through December 31, 2019., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chad Malicoat, **Seconded by** Kenon Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: To accept the Estimated Property Tax Cap Impact Report as present, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kenon Gray, **Seconded by** Michael Thalls. Motion passed unanimously.

Kenon Gray gave an update on the Stellar Grant. Knightstown has 8 projects; City of New Castle has 5 projects and Henry County has 16 projects. Some of the City of New Castle and the County projects are Complimentary, which means that they do not met all the criteria but if another project is taken off then one of these could be considered.

Motion: To approve the following Resolution: **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Clay Morgan, **Seconded by** Kenon Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO.: 2019-08-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE HENRY COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTING FUNDS TO PROJECTS OF MERIT

WHEREAS, Henry County, Indiana has joined with the City of New Castle and the Town of Knightstown to form the "Safe and Welcome Region" in order to apply for funding through the state of Indiana's Stellar Communities Program; and,

WHEREAS, a Stellar Community Regional Development Plan ("Plan") will be created; and,

WHEREAS, the Plan will include projects that promote public safety and increase the quality of life within Henry County and that further the goals of the Henry County Comprehensive Plan, including but not limited to, improving recreational facilities, promoting mixed land uses, improving educational opportunities, further developing and preserving of tourist destinations, and promoting economic development; and,

WHEREAS, community input will be utilized in the development of the Plan; and,

WHEREAS, Henry County has committed to the funding of projects that will promote safety and quality of life within Henry County.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Henry County Council that Henry County, Indiana has committed up to Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars ($900,000.00) toward the final list of designated Stellar projects, contingent upon funding from the Stellar Community Program, to be utilized as an investment match. The funds will come from revenues generated by the County's Food and Beverage Tax; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Henry County is hereby authorized to apply for the Stellar Community Designation and receive funding subsequent to this designation from the Indiana Department of Transportation ("INDOT"), the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority ("IHCDA"), the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs ("OCRA"), and the Indiana State Department of Health ("ISDH"); and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the president of the Henry County Council and the president of the Henry County Board of Commissioners are each hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the County's name and on its behalf, all applications, award agreements, documents, instruments and writings as are necessary and appropriate to consummate the Stellar Community Application and the receipt of any subsequent funding.

Adopted by the County Council of Henry County, Indiana this 22nd day of August, 2019.

HENRY COUNTY COUNCIL

ATTEST:

Debra G. Walker, County Auditor

Susan Huhn gave an update on the Jail. September 29, 2019 will be a tour of the Ohio Regional Jail.

Kenon Gray gave an update on the Insurance.

A subcommittee was formed of Chad Malicoat, Susan Huhn and Peggy Stefandel to come up with Capital Projects to put into a new bond. This bond will not affect the taxpayers it is just the renewing of a bond.

Motion: To have Bond Council proceed with renewing the Bond., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chad Malicoat, **Seconded by** Harold Griffin. Motion passed unanimously.

Final budget workshop will be held on September 9, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

Budget Public Hearing is set for September 26, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Next Council meeting will be September 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Mike Thalls has announced his resignation from County Council effective January 1, 2020.

Motion: Action: Adjourn, **Moved by** Chad Malicoat, **Seconded by** Kenon Gray. Motion passed unanimously.

Susah Huhn, President

Harold Griffin, Vice President

Kenon Gray

Chad Malicoat

Peggy Stefandel

Clay Morgan

Mike Thalls