

**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 7, 2018 – 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on August 7, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners/Council meeting room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts, Carol Westerman, Secretary and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

Open: The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tom Wilson.

Mike Dora – USDA Rural Development: Mr. Dora gave a presentation to the Commissioners on the drug addiction problem plaguing the United States and State of Indiana. Mr. Dora stated that one in seven people are affected by addiction in their lifetime. He is working with State legislators to establish a recovery district tax rate outside of the County's tax levy rate for the purpose of financing drug addiction recovery. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Dora for his presentation.

Eddie Perry – Batesville Airport: Mr. Perry came before the commissioners to request an extension of the agreement to continue weekend races pending outcome with APC zoning requirements. Mr. Perry stated he believed the airport was exempt from zoning. In order to continue the weekend racing event, they need an extension of that agreement. Commissioners stated that Infinite Racing should stay within the confines of the airport. Three Mile Road will remain open. Events will continue while Infinite Speed pursues the zoning issues with APC. No Police will be provided.

Historical Society – Courthouse Lawn: Wayne Bauer spoke on behalf of the Franklin County Historical Society. Mr. Bauer presented the history of Lew Wallace born April 10, 1827. The Historical Society would like to erect a statue of Lew Wallace on the Courthouse lawn. There will be no cost to the County. The artillery gun presently displayed on the Courthouse lawn will be moved to the American Legion. **Motion to give provisional approval as presented today, subject to final approval, by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.**

Unifirst Uniforms – Highway Uniforms: Unifirst Uniforms presented a presentation for the Commissioners on the cost of using their company to provide uniforms for the highway workers. The County's contract with Cintas is up in December.

Joe Copeland, FC Engineer – Supplemental Agreement #144: **Motion to sign the Supplemental Agreement No. 2 for County Bridge 144, Fairfield Causeway Road over Brookville Lake for Consulting Engineer, Clark Dietz, by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.**

Ordinance 2018-10: An Ordinance to Establish the Big Cedar NRCS Fund: Motion to approve Ordinance 2018-10, an ordinance establishing the Big Cedar NRCS fund by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Copeland updated the Commissioners on the bridge projects and also advised that the old projects are now complete. (Community Crossing)

The Commissioners also discussed the salaries of county employees to recommend to the Franklin County Council for 2019. The proposed changes the commissioners recommended for highway truck drivers were as follows: Seventy-five Cents for Class B, One Dollar for Class A and One dollar and twenty-five cents for CDL-Hazmat. The commissioners also recommended Five Percent for all other county employees. **Motion to send said recommendation to County Council by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Approve Minutes: July 17th & 31st:

Motion to approve the July 17, 2018 minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, motion carried. Eric Roberts abstained.

Motion to approve the July 31, 2018 minutes by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Wilson, motion carried. Tom Linkel abstained.

Approve Claims: Motion to approve all claims by Tom Linkel, seconded Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer Report – July 2018: Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer’s July, 2018 report by Tom Wilson, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Franklin County Surveyor: Mr. Bailey came before the Commissioners for guidance on different aspects of his job and his responsibilities as surveyor. Mr. Ed Derickson asked the Commissioners if they had any questions about his presentation he gave at the last meeting.

Public Comment: Commissioners were asked about an alleged closed-door meeting that took place on July 31, 2018. Those present were attorney Grant Reeves, Commissioners, Commissioner’s Secretary and Jacque Collins. Commissioners denied there was any closed-door meeting.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tom Wilson, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Others Present: Mildred I Simmermeyer, Bettcy C. Lecher, Connie Gayda, Wayne Monroe, Joe Copeland, Martha Shea, Pam Beneker, Makenna Mays, Eddie Perry, Ed Derrickson, Wayne

Bauer, Sara Duffy, Danielle Jentges, Marilyn Roberts, Daryl Kramer, Delores Dobbs and Mary Rodenhuis.

Minutes for August 7, 2018 approved.

AYES:

NAYS:



Tom Wilson

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Tom Linkel

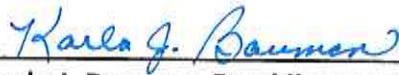
Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts

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Attested By:



Karla J. Bauman, Franklin County Auditor