

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Board of Commissioners**  
**2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104**  
**New Albany IN 47150**  
**June 15, 2021**  
**6:00 P.M.**

Shawn Carruthers called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**Present:** President Shawn Carruthers and Vice President John Schellenberger

**Absent:** Tim Kamer

**Also Present:** Attorney Rick Fox, Assessor James Sinks, Council Person Dale Bagshaw, Council Person Denise Konkle and HR Director Michelle Portwood

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence.

**New Business:**

1. County Engineer-Horacio Urieta

a. Bid openings for Community Crossing Project and Crack Seal/Fog Seal

Bids were opened for Community Crossing Project:

CNR Construction \$1,199,880.00

E & B Paving \$1,141,499.00

Libs Paving \$961,731.00

Bids were open for Crack Seal/Fog Seal:

All Star Paving \$611,960.00

**Motion to take bids under advisement. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

2. Callistus Smith Agency-Glenn Smith

a. Property and Casualty Insurance renewals

Glenn Smith distributed and reviewed the renewal packages for Property and Casualty, Workers Comp and Cyber Liability.

**Motion to stay with Travelers for Property and Casualty package. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to retain Eastern Alliance for Workers Comp. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to retain Travelers for Cyber liability. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

3. New Albany-Floyd County Building Authority-Scott Stewart

a. Building Project Update

Scott Stewart gave a presentation on the City-County Building Project. The Team hopes to have recommendations to propose to the Commissioners by the September 21 meeting.

4. Dan Cristiani Excavating Co., Inc.- Derek Misch

a. Scenic Valley Dr. Road Closure – At Lakeview Dr. on June 16th from 7:00 to 6:00

Don Lopp asked for the dates to be changed to June 17 to give more notice.

**Motion to approve June 17, 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. Hunters Trail Rd. Road Closure – At Lorean Ct. on June 17th from 7:00 to 6:00

**Motion to approve June 18, 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

5. Director of Operations and Planning-Don Lopp

a. Signing of Plat – Popular Woods

**Motion to approve signing of plat for Popular Woods. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

b. Signing of Plat – Henriott Meadows

**Motion to approve signing of plat for Henriott Meadows. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

c. Signing of Plat – Bank Building at Old Vincennes

**Motion to approve signing of plat for Bank Building at Old Vincennes Road. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

d. JTL – Project Update

Nathan Frey gave an update on Bridge 51 on Blackiston Road. Don Lopp stated they would like to move forward with the appraisals of 24 parcels.

**Motion to approve the contract for JTL to start the appraisals of 24 parcels to be paid by local funds. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Frey stated the replacement of Bridge 506 on Pamela Drive is scheduled for letting in October 2021. Five appraisals are in need of approval.

**Motion to approve appraisal for Parcel#1 2504 Pamela Drive, New Albany, IN. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve appraisal for Parcel#2 2505 Pamela Drive, New Albany, IN. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve appraisal for Parcel#3 2503 Pamela Drive, New Albany, IN. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve appraisal for Parcel#4 2502 Pamela Drive, New Albany, IN. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Motion to approve appraisal for Parcel#5 2501 Pamela Drive, New Albany, IN. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Frey stated that Blunk Knob and Farnsley Road had Engineer's Reports submitted to INDOT. The next step will be the survey.

Don Lopp stated that in February the Commissioners approved the contract for JTL to move forward with looking at an additional 59 parking spaces at Kevin Hammersmith Park at the Maintenance Facility. He stated that he and Justin Tackett conducted a traffic survey in 2018 during game times during the week and determined that another 50 spots were needed. There

is ample parking when Little League isn't playing. The lack of sufficient parking on game days results in people parking at Northside Christian Church, which creates safety issues.

Don Lopp stated there is some misinformation about the purchase of the property. He stated that Floyd County paid Northside Christian Church, not New Albany Little League, \$800,000.00 for the property.

The County initially agreed to 440 parking spaces but reduced it to 258 because of an engineering analysis predicted flooding and standing water issues would occur on Northside's property. Mr. Lopp stated the Commissioners, Little League and the Floyd County Parks Board were aware of the parking situation prior to construction.

Shawn Carruthers stated the most important thing is that we've got kids that are using Little League, and they are our future, and an investment in the future is always a good investment. The Commissioners agreed to add 150 parking spots including 55 spots in grass area. The cost would be approximately \$195,000.00. Construction is expected to start in the fall.

**Motion to move forward with the plan of adding 150 parking spots and allow Mr. Carruthers to sign documents outside of the meeting. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

e. Old Vincennes Road Phase 3– Supplemental Survey Contract

**Tabled**

f. American Rescue Plan Update

Don Lopp stated there are items that need to be completed for the American Rescue Plan(ARP). Establishment of an Ordinance and fund, establishment of framework of the implementation plan, establishment of process and procedures for reporting and auditing purposes and, also, determine opportunities, in addition to ARP funding, to leverage funds have been completed. The implementation plan to the Commissioners and Council is ongoing. He is working on the lost revenue calculations. The Essential workers' determination, the infrastructure and public health response is ongoing. He plans on bringing section 1 to the Commissioners on July 6. Shawn Carruthers stated they would like to see Broadband border to border in Floyd County. Also, there are some water line issues throughout the County that need to be enlarged to bring better services to the County and some septic issues.

Don Lopp stated that this can be a transforming opportunity for Floyd County.

g. READI Application Update

Don Lopp met with Mr. Smith at River Ridge. They are working on a component of that project and starting to put together the items for 62 and 64. He has reached out to the Town of Georgetown and will reach out to Town of Greenville about a potential project.

h. Kevin Hammersmith Playground Update

Don Lopp stated there are 32 days left in the campaign for the Accessible Playground. So far they have raised over \$18,000.00 with 105 donors.

6. Stormwater Fee's Presentation-Tim Kamer

**Tabled**

7. County Assessor-James Sinks

a. Reassessment Cyclical Bid Specs

James Sinks gave a timeline for reassessments.

Prior to publish date he will run bid specs passed Rick Fox.

Run bid – June 23-July 8 published with the Indiana Media Group

Open Bids – July 8, 10:00 AM in Assessor's Office

8. Lafayette Township Fire Protection District Appointment

**Tabled**

9. Board & Committee Reports

John Schellenberger, Shawn Carruthers and Don Lopp attended the RDA meeting on June 4 in Scottsburg. READI Program was discussed.

John Schellenberger, Shawn Carruthers and Don Lopp attended the ARP meeting in Indianapolis.

John Schellenberger and Shawn Carruthers attended Tourism meeting.

- Let the record show the Floyd County Commissioners received the March and April 2021 Monthly Treasurer's Report
- Approval of the June 1, 2021 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

**Motion to approve June 1, 2021 Commissioners Meeting Minutes. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

**Motion to approve Payroll and Claims. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Today's Meetings**

4:30 p.m. Solid Waste

**Next Commissioners Meeting:**

July 6, 2021-6:00 p.m.

John Schellenberger and Shawn Carruthers thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Mr. Schellenberger stated they closed the COVID-19 vaccination site at IUS 3 weeks ago. Vaccinations are available at the Health Department on Tuesdays.

**Public**

Mr. Moore, Georgetown Township, stated regarding the parking for New Albany Little League, he agrees that we should invest in the youths' future but does not understand why the County needs to pay for parking that is only needed by the New Albany Little League.

Joe Spoelker, RBR Alliance, stated they are working on expanding the rural transportation. INDOT is moving along with the approval. They anticipate being able to provide the service January 1, 2022. He appreciates the Commissioners' support.


Dale Mann, Georgetown Township, agrees with Mr. Moore about the New Albany Little League. He feels they should turn the park over to the Little League. He stated the Handicap Playground will not be accessible on tournament days.

Gail Henderson, Floyd County Resident, stated she has a special needs grandson. She feels the Accessible Playground is the best thing to happen to Floyd County for a long time. She hopes Kevin Hammersmith Park stays with Floyd County.

Roger Jeffers stated New Albany Little League did pay 100% of the concession stand.

**Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**


**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor