

COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Baird at 10:00 a.m. Kevin Walls and Ron West were present.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. West gave the Invocation and Mr. Baird led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – *(limited to agenda topics and 5 minutes per person)*

There were no public comments.

Property, Crime, Liability, Cyber, Auto, Workers Compensation, and Unmanned Aircraft Insurance Renewal

Mr. Baird stated this agenda item has been moved to their 10/27/25 agenda.

Discover Downtown Franklin – Holiday Lighting Event 2025

Danny Causey, Executive Director for Discover Downtown Franklin, was present to discuss and answer questions about the Holiday Lighting Event 2025. Mr. Causey stated the lights had already been installed on the city property, and asked permission to place lights on the county trees and on the roof of the courthouse when the construction was finished. The lighting event will be on Saturday December 6th. Mr. Causey stated they are working with My Guy Services for the lights. Mr. West asked if Festival Country has contributed to the Holiday lighting expense. Mr. Causey stated that he couldn't remember but said the County has made generous donations in recent years, and that Festival Country does partner with them on several other occasions and believes they may have purchased one of the tree sponsor signs, not a large donation. Mr. West stated it may benefit them to petition Festival Country for a donation.

Mr. West moved to contribute \$3,000 to the annual Christmas lighting. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Routine Matters – Consent Agenda

By a single motion, the Commissioners approve the following items, which may include annual contracts, grant application forms, ratifications, change orders, ordinance, resolutions, and meeting minutes. Any items listed on the consent agenda may be removed by a Commissioner and moved to the regular agenda.

A. Approval of RJJ Solutions Professional Services Agreement

B. Approval to Apply for Grants

- 1. VASIA – 2026 VASIA Grant – Indiana Supreme Court, Adult Guardianship Office*
- 2. CASA – 2026 CASA Matching Grant*
- 3. CASA - 2026 CASA Capacity Grant*
- 4. Unified Courts – Indiana Supreme Court 2026 Court Reform Grant*

C. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Local Entities

Mr. Walls questioned if this was about Access. Taylor Webster, Assistant County Attorney, stated this approval was for the EMA agreements.

D. Ratification of Change Orders

- 1. Sub-Surface of Indiana Change Order #1 – Culvert Project*
- 2. Wurster Construction Co. Change Order #43 – Behavioral Health Building Project*

E. Minutes:

- 1. 09/22/2025 – Regular Meeting*
- 2. 09/22/2025 – Executive Session*

Mr. West moved to approve the above requests as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Elected Officials and Department Heads

A. Court Services

- 1. Adult Probation -- Braden Office Equipment Copier Purchase and Maintenance Contract*
- 2. Juvenile Detention Center – Koorsen Fire & Security Inspection Services Agreement*

Angela Morris, Director, was in the audience ready to answer questions about the above-mentioned contract and agreement.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the above requests as presented, with the Juvenile Detention Center agreement pending legal. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

B. Sheriff

- 1. 2026 Trick-or-Treating Hours*

Chief Deputy, Andy Barnhart was present to answer questions asked about the 2026 Trick-or-Treating hours. He stated the hours will be from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm county wide.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the above request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

C. Parks

- 1. Indiana Live Steamers New Car Barn*
- 2. Department of Corrections*

Kevin Leonard, Superintendent, was present to answer questions about the Indiana Live Steamers new car barn. Mr. Leonard stated the new car barn has been approved by the Park Board and will be fully funded by them with donations. He stated the building was directly west of the current building. Mr. West asked how big the building was. Mr. Leonard stated that it is 12x48 on a slab.

Mr. Leonard, Superintendent, also requested a 4-year contract renewal agreement with the Department of Corrections.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the above requests as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

D. Planning and Zoning

- 1. Approval of Purchase and Maintenance Agreement with Toshiba Business Solutions*

Michele Hansard, Director, was present in the audience to answer any questions regarding this request.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the above request as presented, pending legal. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

2. Eagle Springs Subdivision, Section 1

- a.) Lennar Corporation of Indiana, LLC – Approval of Construction Plans, Acceptance of Onsite Testing and Inspection Services Agreement*
- b.) Patriot Engineering and Environmental, Inc. – Approval of Proposal Acceptance Agreement*

Mrs. Hansard was also present to discuss and answer questions about the two agreements for Eagle Springs Subdivision, Section 1. Mr. West stated he did not believe the sewer connection had been completed. Mrs. Hansard stated the repairs have not been completed, because they need this approval to do the repairs. She noted they have got everything else they need approved of by Greenwood.

Mr. West moved to approve the above requests as presented with the Patriot Engineering agreement pending legal. Mr. Walls seconded the motion; which unanimously carried.

E. Highway

- 1. Approval and Execution of Change Order #2 for the 2025 Mill & Overlay*
- 2. Approval and Execution of Change Order for the County Road 144 & Morgantown Rd Roundabout Project*
- 3. Approval and Execution of Change Order #3 for the Bridge 85 Project*

Luke Mastin, Supervisor, was present for the approval and execution of change order #2 for the 2025 Mill & Overlay Project. He stated the first request was a final balancing change order. He states the amount of about \$3,800 which is roughly 0.2% of the contract.

Mr. Mastin stated the second request was for the approval and execution of change order for the County Road 144 & Morgantown Rd Roundabout Project. He stated that after construction, they found some underground water and stated they are not sure if it is from an old well or a spring, but it is keeping the Northwest corner of the intersection wet. Mr. Mastin stated they have come up with a solution to try to address the issue, and that is what is included in the change order.

Mr. Mastin stated the last request was for the approval and execution of change order #3 for Bridge 85 Project. He stated this is for additional right of way services, noting one change from what was in the memo is that the amount listed was not to exceed \$7,940, has been reduced to \$6,800.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the above requests as presented, pending legal. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Mr. West expressed to Mr. Mastin he had a citizen approach him and asked about the Fair Oaks Subdivision. Mr. West asked if Mr. Mastin remembered if the subdivision was on the list for repaving this year. Mr. Mastin stated he did not believe it was but knows there are some failed areas and sinkholes; they also had a utility that hit quite a few of the underdrains around there. He stated they have some repairs to do, but he does not believe those streets were on the paving list. He let Mr. West know that he would check on it and make sure.

F. Board of Commissioners

- 1. Ordinance 2025-O-11: An Ordinance Amending Title 35 of the Johnson County Code of Ordinances – Second Reading*

Mr. West moved to approve the above request as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

2. Correction of Contractor Agreement for Court Administrator's Office Project

Mr. Baird stated this is now awarded to C.W. Sneed (9/22/25 awarded to Vision Specialist, but they were unable to supply an E-Verify Affidavit)

Mr. West moved to approve the above request as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

3. Claims

Mr. West moved to approve the above requests as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

New and Old Business

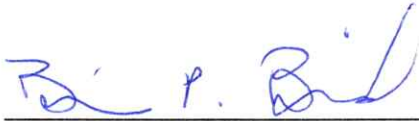
Mr. Walls stated they have worked on (Johnson County Golf Cart and Off -Highway Vehicle Ordinance) 2024-O-9/2025-O-7 for about a year and a half. He stated they have studied this with the Sheriff's Department and legal, and have received nothing but complaints, problems, and issues. He stated they have put a lot of effort into giving a benefit for the community. Mr. Walls believes some of the complaints come from out-of-county visitors. Mr. Walls stated they will go back and revise the ordinance a little bit to make it just for Johnson County residents. Mr. Baird stated they are putting the public on notice. If you are an ATV, UTV golf cart owner, they should engage in this and help make people understand that this is Johnson County. Mr. Baird stated that again there are complaints from people that do not reside in Johnson County. They do not want to register, and they do not want to pay the fees. Mr. Baird also stated everything they have done with this ordinance is the way they should be doing it and everyone else does it the same in other counties.

Mr. West spoke about his attendance at the Diwali Celebration of Lights that is put together by the Hindu people, as it is the start of their year. The celebration was held at the State House, Mr. West stated it was a wonderful experience.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Walls moved to adjourn. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

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Brian Baird



Kevin Walls



Ron West

Attest:
Elizabeth A. Alvey
Auditor

