

COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY APRIL 13, 2026

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.

Opening of Sealed Bids for Johnson County Park Pickleball, Basketball and Tennis Courts Project

Tiffany Costley, County Attorney, opened and read aloud the following bids:

<i>All Star Paving, Inc. – Seymour, IN</i>	<i>Base Bid</i>	<i>\$308,000.00</i>
	<i>Alt #1</i>	<i>\$ 11,000.00</i>
	<i>Alt #2</i>	<i>\$ 55,000.00</i>
<i>Robertson Paving, Inc. – Flat Rock, IN</i>	<i>Base Bid</i>	<i>\$534,500.00</i>
	<i>Alt #1</i>	<i>\$ 22,000.00</i>
	<i>Alt #2</i>	<i>\$ 77,000.00</i>
<i>White Oak Commercial Group – Indianapolis, IN</i>	<i>Base Bid</i>	<i>\$176,205.00</i>
	<i>Alt #1</i>	<i>\$ 24,712.00</i>
	<i>Alt #2</i>	<i>\$ 70,571.00</i>

Mr. Walls made a motion to hand over the bids to Wes Harrison, Project Manager, to review and come back at their next meeting with a recommendation. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Opening of Sealed Bids for 2026 Mill and Overlay Project

Tiffany Costley, County Attorney, opened and read aloud the following bids:

<i>Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. – Indianapolis, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,551,980.30</i>
<i>Milestone Contractors, LP – Columbus, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,314,904.00</i>
<i>E & B Paving, LLC – Fishers, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,435,700.00</i>
<i>All Star Paving, Inc. – Seymour, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,512,432.21</i>
<i>Calumet Civil Contractors, Inc. – Whitestown, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,184,000.00</i>
<i>Howard Asphalt LLC dba Howard Companies – Indpls, IN</i>	<i>\$ 1,221,640.07</i>

Mr. Walls made a motion to hand over the bids to Luke Mastin, Highway Supervisor, and Daniel Johnston, Highway Engineer, for further review and come back at their next meeting with a recommendation. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Johnson County Public Library – Year in Review Presentation

Lisa Litner, Director, was present for this presentation. Ms. Litner shared that there were 1.3 million total items borrowed, 387,765 library visitors, they had 11,050 new cards issued, and now they have a total of 55,883 active library card holders. Ms. Litner stated Johnson County has the 10th largest library district in the state and was ranked 3rd in library attendance at library programs. Ms. Litner also spoke on Neuro Diverse, and she stated they received a large grant to help with making the experiences for patrons with autism a better experience.

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 Annual Agreements

1. Auditor – Nyhart Service Agreement FY 25-26 for GASB 75 Reporting

B. Ratification of Letter of Support for 2027 Indiana Department of Corrections Adult Community Corrections Grant

C. Ratification of Applied Engineering Services Proposal for Court Services Facility Project

D. Execution of Health First Indiana Agreement on Behalf of Johnson County Health Department

E. Ordinance 2026-J-1: An Ordinance Amending and Superseding Johnson County Code 22-4-1 et seq.

F. Minutes:

1. 3/23/2026 – Regular Meeting

2. 3/23/2026 – Executive Session

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

Elected Officials and Department Heads

A. Public Safety Communications

1. Approval of WSI Technologies Master Service Agreement and Quote

Heath Brant, Director, was present for approval of the WSI Technologies Master Service Agreement and Quote. Mr. Brant stated this was for the IP logger, which handles all audio recordings. This is a recently signed 5-year agreement and is locked in at the same rate for the next 5 years, which includes all upgrades. Mr. Walls asked how long the recordings must mandatorily be kept. Mr. Brant stated they guarantee to keep them for a year but are getting 3-4 years out of a recording.

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

2. Proclamation of Johnson County Public Safety Telecommunications Week, April 12th thru April 18th, 2026

Mr. Brant read the proclamation aloud.

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

B. Planning and Zoning

1. Patriot Engineering and Environmental, Inc. – Eagle Springs Section 1 – Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Construction Materials Testing and Inspection

Michele Hansard, Director, was present for approval of this change order. She stated this was to add on soil studies for unsuitable soil.

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

C. Veterans Affairs

1. Update on Indiana Veteran Property Tax Reform 2026

Megan Brown, Director, was present to discuss the Veteran Property Tax Reform. She stated that in the past it was a deduction for disabled veterans in every county; however, with this new reform, they are taking the deductions away and implementing credits instead. This means that every Veteran will have to refile for the credits. The new state form should be released by July 1st, 2026. She stated there will not be a grandfather clause; so, no benefits will be carried over for the next year. She also stated that it is still brand new, she doesn't know too much about it, she has asked the State, and they are also still trying to figure everything out as well. All she knows is that every single Veteran will have to refile. Mr. Baird asked if they had explained what the reason is for everyone having to refile. Ms. Brown replied that they are saying that it will be more beneficial for the Veterans; she knows that for Veterans that are rated 100% it will be \$0 property tax. She asked if they could make an addendum on the paperwork they have already filled out, and Veterans Affairs said no, everyone must refile. Mrs. Costley, County Attorney, stated that they are working on putting this information on their website, so Veterans can see the forms, they can see what they need to do, and have directions on how to do that. Ms. Brown stated all Veterans must come to their office to get certified. They will need their address and rating. The Veterans office will need to check which box they will receive, and stamp that with a County seal, and then the Veteran will take it to the Auditors Office to have the deduction applied to their property taxes. Mr. Walls asked when the due date is that this needs to be completed. Ms. Brown stated the Veterans have between July 1st and December 31st, 2026.

D. Recordors

1. Request to Attend the 2026 Fidler Education Symposium, May 18th thru May 20th. 2026, Rock Island, Illinois

This item has been tabled until the next meeting.

E. Highway

1. Final Acceptance of INDOT Form IC-639 for Bridge 605 Project

Daniel Johnston, Engineer, was present to discuss the final acceptance. He stated this is the final documentation for this project.

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

2. Approval of Crossroad Engineers, PC Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for CR 144 and Morgantown Road Roundabout Project

Mr. Johnston was present for approval of a design contract amendment for the 144 and Morgantown roundabout. He explained, this is to cover project management efforts related to a partial mortgage release.

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

3. Approval of Louisville & Indiana Railroad Company Preliminary Engineering Agreement for Bridge 602 Overhead Project

Mr. Johnston was present for the approval and execution for the Preliminary Engineering Agreement between the County and the Louisville Indiana Railroad Company for the Bridge 602 Overhead Project on Smith Valley.

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

4. Ratification of INDOT-LPA Agreement for County-wide Bridge Inspections

Mr. Johnston was present to request the ratification of Amendment 1 of the INDOT-LPA Agreement for the current County-wide Bridge Inspection Program. This is a follow up on what was previously approved of by the County and the consultant during the March 23, 2026 meeting.

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

F. Board of Commissioners

1. Acceptance of Quote and Award of Contract Pursuant to IC 36-1-12-5 for Courthouse Rotunda Painting Project

Mrs. Costly, read aloud the three quotes that were given.

<i>1. Advanced Restoration</i>	<i>\$50,000 – Includes Scaffolding</i>
<i>2. My Guy Services</i>	<i>\$36,695 – Paint Only</i>
<i>3. BHI</i>	<i>\$40,000 – Paint Only</i>

Mr. Walls moved to award the contract to Advanced Restoration. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

2. Acceptance of the Johnson County Redevelopment Commission 2025 Annual Report

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

3. Appointment of Board Member to the Johnson County Community Corrections Advisory Board – Mental Health Administrator Board Seat

Mr. Walls moved to appoint Spencer Medcalf to the Johnson County Community Corrections Advisory Board. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

4. Appointment of Board Member to the Johnson County Community Corrections Advisory Board – Lay Person Board Seat

Mr. Walls moved to appoint Amy Davidson to the Johnson County Community Correction Advisory Board. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

5. Claims

Mr. West stated that he had a question about a claim the Coroner's Office put in for \$620.60 under wearing apparel. He received the invoice from the Auditor's Office, and they let him know the claim was for badges. Mr. West also wanted to speak to the Parks Department about Prince's Lakes changing the sewer rate on a bill that he has brought up before. Lastly, Mr. West spoke about Probation Supplemental Adult having a bill for \$3,746.69 for GLOBO Language for interpreters. Mr. West believes that moving forward, this billing for interpreters is something that needs to be looked at for cost savings for the County.

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

New and Old Business

A. Old Business

1. Public Safety Communication – Request to Attend the 2026 Indiana 911 Director's Summit, April 28th and 29th, Noblesville, Indiana

Mr. Brant was present to discuss his request to attend the Summit which was tabled from 3-9-2026. Mr. West stated that it seems like they question every year why he stays in a hotel with the Summit just being in Noblesville. Mr. Brant stated that it is 48 miles; right inside the 50 miles. He stated he came to the Commissioners with the information last year, and they said it was close enough and it was approved. It has gone from one-day to a two-day Summit.

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

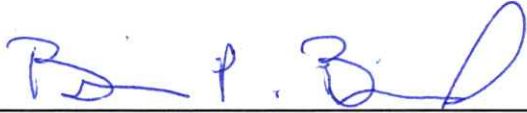
2. Animal Shelter – Request to Attend the 2026 Prairie States Animal Welfare Conference, June 1st and 2nd, Bloomington, Illinois

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

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**

