

REGULAR MEETING

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 4th, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on January 4th, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in Room 103, Clark County Government Building, in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Bryan Glover, Connie Sellers and Jack Coffman, County Attorney R. Scott Lewis, Auditor Danny Yost, and Commissioners’ Assistant Sabrina Corbin.

Auditor Danny Yost entertained a motion to elect a president for the Clark County Board of Commissioners. Motion by Commissioner Sellers to elect Bryan Glover as the President of the Clark County Board of Commissioners. Seconded by Commissioner Coffman. Motion carried 3-0

Auditor Danny Yost entertained a motion to elect a vice president for the Clark County Board of Commissioners. Motion by Commissioner Coffman to elect Connie Sellers as the Vice President of the Clark County Board of Commissioners. Seconded by Commissioner Glover. Motion carried 3-0

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bryan Glover. Prayer was led by Commissioner Jack Coffman.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Coffman made a motion to approve the December 21st, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Auditor Danny Yost presented the claims and payroll for January 4th, 2024. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve the claims and payroll. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Commissioner Glover asked for any amendments to the agenda. County Attorney R. Scott Lewis stated that there is one amendment of the agenda. The addition to the agenda is a contract for the removal of land and topsoil at the Clark County Landfill. The contract will be added as item E. Motion by Commissioner

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Sellers to approve the agenda as amended. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

I. Public Comments:

A. Sandy Basham from Marysville Indiana spoke on a UDO in effect in Clark County. “The current UDO for Clark County is below state recommendations on some of the regulations. Many other counties around us have much better restrictions to protect their constituents. The current UDO doesn’t address Property Value Guarantees, Well Testing, Pollution Liability Insurance, Sound Restrictions or a Comprehensive Emergency Management plan. I would ask tonight that the Commissioners do whatever is necessary to reevaluate the UDO that is currently in place. I live in the country and from my front yard, you can hear Coyotes throughout the night. When they fence in 4000 acres, where will all the wildlife go? They are either going to come closer to you or they will come closer to me. I have highlighted in the paperwork where we are below standards by the State recommendations.” Sandy provided a spreadsheet that highlights the areas of the UDO that the County should reconsider.

II. New Business:

A. Commissioner Glover presented Ordinance 01-2024 which is an ordinance approving the proposal of an amendment to the Clark County Zoning map with a favorable recommendation by the Clark County Plan Commission. Commissioner Glover opened a public hearing.

Jason Copperwaite with Paul Primavera & Associates addressed the Ordinance. Jason is representing J & J Development. “I represented this project to the Plan Commission which they favorably recommended to the Commissioners. There was quite the discussion about the private drive that runs across the project. What is before the Commissioners tonight is whether the project is suited to be R1. It can still be developed as AG but the allowance of more density with R1 is what would be preferred. We understand that we have to deal with the driveway issue before we come back to the Plan Commission and we are well

aware of that. I'd be happy to stick around and answer any other questions you have."

Jim Tyler from Sellersburg Indiana addressed the Ordinance. He is here to speak on behalf of all of the people that line the road that has been discussed. "We went through seven hours of arbitration over this. Originally, the property was only going to have 5 single family homes. They keep saying about putting 10 to 14 to 19 homes on this plot. The road behind us has always been referred to as a 30-foot utility easement but this is not the same road. If they do develop and they open the road to the Waters of Milan with the development of an access road, we'd like to have speedbumps every 150 feet to deter traffic. There is 1000 feet of unpaved road that we'd like to keep unpaved." Jim also provided pictures to show his concerns and gave them to the Commissioners.

Bryan Glover stated "We would like to take what you have and enter them into the record. We understand your concerns but what is before us today is simply zoning the property. The road issues will be handled during the platting portion that will come back before the Plan Commission."

Commissioner Glover closed the public hearing. Motion by Commissioner Sellers to approve Ordinance 1-2024 on a favorable recommendation by the Clark County Plan Commission. Seconded by Commissioner Coffman. Motion approved 3-0.

- B.** County Attorney R. Scott Lewis presented Election Education Media Campaign Proposal for the Clerk's Office. This is a proposal with Pro Media Group to provide election education media materials for the 2024 elections. The Clerk has received a grant from the state which will cover the total cost of \$8,000.00. Motion by Commissioner Sellers to approve the Election Education Media Campaign Proposal for the Clerk's Office in the total amount of \$8,000.00. Seconded by Commissioner Coffman. Motion approved 3-0.

- C.** County Attorney R. Scott Lewis presented the Homestead Deduction Audit Program Contract for the Auditor's Office. This contract is a 1-year contract with Tax Management Associates. Motion by Commissioner Coffman to

approve the Homestead Deduction Audit Program Contract for the Auditor's Office. Seconded by Commissioner Sellers. Motion approved 3-0.

- D.** County Attorney R. Scott Lewis presented the ARPA Request from the Clark County Regional Airport Authority. The ARPA request is to purchase a building at the airport in the amount of \$100,000.00. The Clark County Regional Airport Authority is planning to partner with Prosser and their Aviation Training Program. Motion by Commissioner Sellers to approve the ARPA Request in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the Clark County Regional Airport Authority. Seconded by Commissioner Coffman. Motion approved 3-0.
- E.** County Attorney R. Scott Lewis presented the Clark – Floyd Landfill Land Clearing Contract with DirtWorks Unlimited LLC. The Engineer's estimate was below \$150,000.00. DirtWorks Unlimited LLC's quote was in the amount of \$72,865.00. Motion by Commissioner Coffman to approve the Landfill Clearing Contract with DirtWorks Unlimited LLC. Seconded by Commissioner Sellers. Motion approved 3-0.

III. Old Business:

- A.** County Attorney R. Scott Lewis requested a table for the Interlocal Agreements with Charlestown and Clarksville for EMA Drone Response Unit. Motion by Commissioner Coffman to table the Interlocal Agreements with Charlestown and Clarksville for EMA Drone Response Unit. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

IV. Reports:

- A. Auditor:** None.
- B. Attorney:** None.
- C. Highway Department:** None
- D. Sheriff:** The current jail population is 456, 48 are Federal inmates.

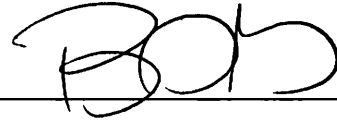
E. Elected Officials & Department Heads: None.

V. Other Business: None.

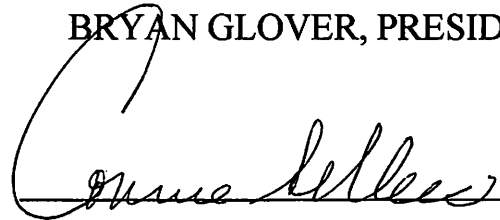
VI. Public Comments: None.

VII. Adjournment: Commissioner Glover entertained the motion to adjourn. Commissioner Sellers motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

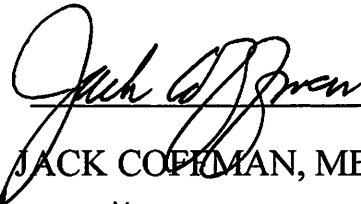
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CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA



BRYAN GLOVER, PRESIDENT



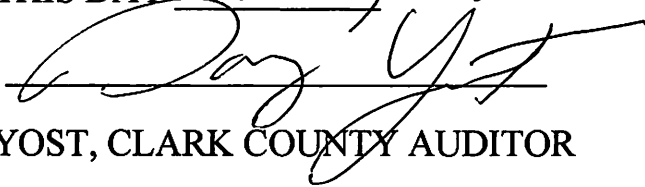
CONNIE SELLERS, VICE PRESIDENT



JACK COPMAN, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY January 18, 2024

ATTEST:



DANNY YOST, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR