

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Agenda for September 16, 2024 at 9:00 AM

Connie Lamar Meeting Room
Boone County Annex Building
116 W. Washington St., Room 105
Lebanon, Indiana 46052

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1. Call Commissioners' Meeting to Order.
2. Determination of Quorum and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
3. Approval of Minutes of the September 3, 2024 Commissioners' Meeting
4. Approval of August 29, 2024 Executive Session Memorandum
5. New Business
 - A. Legal Issues County Attorney
 - B. Request use of the Courthouse for an Event Brady Martin
 - C. Apex Contract Megan Smith
 - D. Reliance Contract Megan Smith
 - E. One America Contract Megan Smith
 - F. Life Services Contract Megan Smith
 - G. ARPA Project List Amendment Commissioners
 - H. Ordinance 2024-07 amending Section 50.29 of the County Code relating to the enforcement of the Solid Waste Ordinance Commissioners
 - I. Appointment to the Jackson Township Board Commissioners
 - J. 2025 Appointment Discussion Commissioners
 - K. 2025 Annual Meeting Notice Commissioners
6. Old Business
 - A. 2025 Holiday Schedule Commissioners
7. Staff Reports
 - A. Area Plan
 - B. Capital Investments / Facilities Max Mendenhall
 - C. Health Department Lisa Younts / Abby Messenger
 - D. Highway Department Nick Parr
 - E. Human Resources Megan Smith
 - F. IT Support GUTS
8. Elected Officials

9. Document Signing

10. Acknowledgment of Correspondence

11. Adjourn

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BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 16, 2024 MEETING

The Boone County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Monday, September 16, 2024 in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room located on the main floor of the Boone County Annex Building at 116 W. Washington Street, Room 105, Lebanon, IN 46052 with the following personnel in attendance:

Donnie Lawson	Commissioner, President
Jeff Wolfe	Commissioner, Vice President
Tim Beyer	Commissioner
Bob Clutter	County Attorney
Kaylee Jessie	Executive Administrator

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Commissioner Lawson opened the meeting at 9:26 AM with a quorum of all three (3) Commissioners present and led the Pledge to the Flag in unison.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

The meeting minutes of the September 3, 2024 meeting were tabled.

IN THE MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the Executive Session Memorandum for the August 29, 2024 meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF LEGAL ISSUES

No legal issues presented at today's meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST USE OF THE COURTHOUSE FOR AN EVENT

Brady Martin, General Manager of 1830 Chophouse, presented the proposal to rent the courthouse for an Elli Lilly/Flour event on December 7, 2024. The 1830 Chophouse plans to utilize the entire restaurant and event center, along with the courthouse if approved, to host approximately 300 anticipated attendees for the event. There will be no alcohol served on the premises; it will be kept at the 1830 Chophouse. The plan is to serve food and present awards at the courthouse. His team would need access to the courthouse from 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM for setup, teardown, and cleanup. Commissioner Lawson proposed arranging a meeting with Max Mendenhall and Sheriff Tony Harris to discuss details and expectations prior to the board voting.

The request was tabled.

IN THE MATTER OF APEX AGREEMENT

Megan Smith, Director of Human Resources, presented the Apex Benefits Group (“Apex”) Letter of Agreement to perform employee benefit and/or human resources consulting services. The effective date of the 3-year agreement is January 1, 2024, to be consistent with the 3-year request for proposals (“RFP”) process for services. This agreement received endorsement from the Insurance Committee, comprised of Councilman Ken Hedge, Councilwoman Shari Richey, Councilman Dan Lamar, Commissioner Donnie Lawson, and HR Director Megan Smith.

Commissioner Beyer noted that the insurance line accounts for about 10% of the County’s budget—approximately \$5 million each year. The Commissioners received more notices from the public on this issue last night. Commissioner Beyer had previously proposed releasing protected personal health information (PHI) to a vendor (Henriott Group) that he has been in contact with to analyze the County’s data at no cost and with no obligation. When the request was previously presented to the board, it did not receive a favorable vote due to the sensitivity of the data and timing. Commissioner Beyer sent a letter to UMR requesting the release of data based on a notice received from Dave Meyers. Commissioner Lawson and Commissioner Wolfe sent a follow-up letter stating that the board does not authorize the release of the PHI data, along with the meeting minutes when the board voted on the action.

Megan Smith explained that Apex is our health insurance broker, responsible for health insurance shopping for the county each year—similar to the other contracts being presented to the board this morning. These are all part of our renewal strategy meeting, which includes the Insurance Committee and the Apex team. Our brokers do not earn \$5 million each year. We have a three-year contract with Apex as our health insurance broker who manages the shopping process. The county conducts annual renewals with our Stop Loss carrier, which represents a significant portion of our medical budget. The county has a self-funded health insurance policy, meaning it is responsible for paying the first \$85,000 for every member on the plan. Stop Loss (Tokio Marine) then starts reimbursing the County as long as the member is not classified as a high claimant (laser) on the plan; this year, we have no lasers.

We shop the major medical plans every year, considering other TPAs and the potential disruption for the members. Does Apex earn a percentage from the County? Yes. For dental and vision, we typically enter into a 2- to 3-year contract for rate holds, which will be presented later. We also review all our ancillary products each year. Last fall, during the RFP process, the County received a total of 7 bids. The Insurance Committee reviewed the 7 bids and recommended Apex Benefits as the County’s health insurance broker, with whom the Commissioners entered into an annual contract starting January 2024.

Commissioner Beyer questioned whether a cost analysis was part of the RFP process. Megan Smith responded that cost was a part of the analysis regarding the percentage the brokers earn. The County negotiated the Apex percentage down before entering into an agreement. The county does not release claims data when requesting RFPs for brokerage. The main reason for this is to protect our members' medical information. We have released claims data when shopping TPAs to reprice the claims to compare costs between networks, such as UMR.

Megan Smith explained that Commissioner Beyer has requested the release of the Top 25 Rx Drug Report, 2022-2024 renewals, Stop Loss and Admin Aggregate Report, High-Cost Claimant Report, and current census data. Our Stop Loss carrier analyzes 9-months of claims before we receive our final numbers for the contract. Commissioner Beyer reiterated that he doesn’t see the harm in having a company analyze the data for a \$5 million budget before a decision is made.

Megan Smith responded that the Insurance Committee vets all that information and brings recommendations to the boards. Releasing claims data to the TPAs and networks is important as they reprice the claims based on being on their network. However, releasing claims data to the broker who will shop all the same networks doesn't make sense; we would only be looking at the percentage they earn in fees. Commissioner Beyer questioned the hesitancy in releasing the claims data. Commissioner Wolfe asked if he is prepared to release the claims data to every health insurance brokerage firm.

We are singling out one broker that Commissioner Beyer is asking us to release the claims data to, despite there being 7 brokerage firms that submitted bids. If we do what Commissioner Beyer is requesting, we would have an obligation to release the claims data to any insurance brokerage firm that wants to bid. They will all shop with the same TPA providers we are currently using and shop. The broker does not provide us with insurance; they connect us with the insurance companies. What you are suggesting is that we release all the members' protected health information to any brokerage firm that wants to use it for shopping.

Megan Smith stated that the data is protected if we have a contract with an NDA in place that has been approved by the board. If we release the data outside of that, we have no safeguards to protect that information. She is concerned about the confidentiality of our members' data—members should not be fearful of what is released and how it is being used. She reiterated that this is ultimately up to the board. What is before the board is recommended by the Insurance Committee.

Commissioner Lawson asked Bob Clutter for a legal opinion. Clutter stated that the commissioners speak as a body, not individually. You may vote differently on the board, but when 2 of the 3 board members vote in favor of the action, that is the decision of the board. That is why Commissioner Wolfe and Commissioner Lawson wrote the letter to UMR. Clutter echoed the concern related to confidentiality when releasing protected health information in the public arena. HIPAA imposes significant fines on agencies that violate the release of protected health information, and these fines can be substantial. If you release data to one broker outside of a contract, you have an obligation to release it to all brokers; otherwise, you risk discrimination.

Commissioner Wolfe noted that what Commissioner Beyer is requesting was not the intent of the RFP for brokers. Megan Smith reiterated that we reviewed the cost of the broker's fee and weighing that against the services each would provide to the county. The networks and ancillary products are reviewed each year. She acknowledged we could change and narrow our network to save on cost. However, member disruption is also a significant consideration. The Insurance Committee balances cost with the services provided. Smith believes we are all concerned about achieving the same goal but disagree on how to go about it. Commissioner Wolfe highlighted the Insurance Committee and Smith's efforts in providing great benefits to our employees while also saving millions of dollars in claims.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the Apex Benefits Group Letter of Agreement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Lawson; motion passed 2-1 (Beyer).

IN THE MATTER OF RELIANCE CONTRACT

Megan Smith, Director of Human Resources, presented the proposals from Reliance for dental and vision insurance. The Insurance Committee evaluated bids from Reliance, Guardian, and Delta. While all proposals showed an increase in dental rates, Reliance provided a competitive advantage with a lower vision rate, helping to balance the overall costs. Additionally, Reliance offered enhanced technology credits for the benefits administration system.

It's worth noting that the County previously had a contract with Reliance before transitioning to Delta. We've received feedback from members expressing a strong desire to return to Reliance, primarily because their network includes more local providers compared to Delta.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the Reliance dental and vision contracts. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ONE AMERICA CONTRACT

Megan Smith, Director of Human Resources, presented the One America contract for long-term disability coverage for employees. The estimated cost for this coverage is \$40,000 and it has been endorsed by the Insurance Committee. Smith recommended approval, contingent upon discussions and the County Council's vote during their budget workshops on Tuesday and Wednesday regarding funding.

While three council members serve on the Insurance Committee, it is essential that the council board supports the funding decision. To facilitate a smooth process, Smith requested the designation of a proxy to execute the necessary documents pending the Council's approval. This will enable her to promptly return the documents to the companies and start disseminating information for the upcoming Open Enrollment period.

The committee expressed that, based on the renewal numbers provided, there will be no increase in the proposed budget.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the One America contract for long-term disability coverage for employees and authorized Commissioner Lawson to execute the document subject to the Council's vote. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF LIFE SERVICES CONTRACT

Megan Smith, Director of Human Resources, presented the LifeServices contract to expand the County's Employee Assistance Program ("EAP"), which is currently through One America with three visits free per case or issue. This service includes but not limited to mental health, life coaching, medical advocacy, and legal and financial resources. The LifeServices proposal covers all employees (part time and full time), spouses and children. A utilization report will be provided to the Insurance Committee, but it will not include identification. The estimated cost for this coverage is \$7,000 - \$8,000 annually and it has been endorsed by the Insurance Committee. Smith recommended approval, contingent upon discussions and the County Council's vote during their budget workshops on Tuesday and Wednesday regarding funding.

While three council members serve on the Insurance Committee, again, it is essential that the council board supports the funding decision. To facilitate a smooth process, Smith requested the designation of a proxy to execute the necessary documents pending the Council's approval. This will enable her to promptly return the documents to the companies and start disseminating information for the upcoming Open Enrollment period.

The committee expressed that, based on the renewal numbers provided, there will be no increase in the proposed budget.

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve the LifeServices contract for EAP and authorized Commissioner Lawson to execute the document subject to the Council’s vote. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ARPA PROJECT LIST AMENDMENT

The County’s American Rescue Plan Act funding plan as follows:

A. Proposed Actions to Support Public Health Expenditures.

- i. Investment in Boone County Drug Court – Estimated cost of \$80,000 (EC 1.13)
- ii. Infirmery and programming space at county correctional facility for treatment of inmates and to provide space for mental health and substance abuse programming – Estimated cost of ~~\$2,250,000~~ \$2,096,600 (EC 1.12)
- iii. Economic Development Corporation/Community Corrections life skills and financial training – Estimated cost of \$125,000 (EC 2.10)
- iv. Sylvia’s Child Advocacy Center (CAC) – Estimated cost \$21,400
- v. Boone County Child Advocacy Center (CAC) and Witham Hospital for Center of Hope – Estimated Cost of \$10,000 (EC1.12)
- vi. ~~Community Corrections Opioid Grant Match – Estimated cost \$225,000~~ (Removed – Boone County did not receive the grant.)

B. Proposed Actions to Respond to the Negative Economic Impacts of COVID-19.

- i. Grant to Convention and Visitors Bureau for lost revenues – Estimated cost of \$280,000 (EC 2.35)
- ii. Grant to Witham Hospital for lost revenues – Estimated cost of \$350,000 (EC 2.36)

C. Proposed Uses for the Replacement of Lost Public Sector Revenues.

- i. County information technology updates and cybersecurity improvements to protect citizen health data – Estimated cost of ~~\$350,000~~ \$343,494.50 (EC 6.1)
- ii. Protective and remote equipment for Boone County Highway Department – Estimated cost of \$110,000 (EC 6.1)
- iii. Boone County Child Advocacy Center (CAC) for lost revenues - Estimated cost of \$21,400
- iv. HVAC Control Upgrades (Courthouse & Annex) – Estimated cost of \$125,000
- v. Tractor for Trail Maintenance - Estimated cost of \$125,000
- vi. Vehicle for the Boone County Surveyor’s Office – Estimated cost of \$52,484.00**
- vii. Vehicle for the Boone County Area Plan Office – Estimated cost of \$48,118.00**

D. Proposed Actions to Invest in Water, Sewer, Broadband, and Infrastructure.

- i. Advance wastewater generators project – Estimated cost of ~~\$132,000~~ \$87,000 (EC 5.2)
- ii. Advance READI Grant Match – Estimated cost of ~~\$50,000~~ \$25,000
- iii. Thorntown sanitary sewer project and lagoon enlargement – Estimated cost of \$2,000,000 (EC 5.2)
- iv. Jamestown sidewalk improvement project – Estimated cost of \$400,000
- v. Broadband service expansion – Estimated cost of ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$260,000 (EC 5.21)
- vi. Jackson Run two-stage ditch improvements to County Road 650 East – Estimated cost of \$400,000 (EC 5.6)

- vii. Trailside 36-inch outlet across Main Street – Estimated cost of \$700,000 (EC 5.6)
- viii. Carroll regulated drain reconstruction – Estimated cost of ~~\$500,000~~ \$358,793.02 (EC 5.6)
- ix. Terhune drainage improvements – Estimated cost of ~~\$300,000~~ \$900,000 (EC 5.6)
- x. Grassy Branch regulated drain and two bridge replacements necessary for reconstruction – Estimated cost of ~~\$3,000,000~~ \$1,371,262.14 (EC 5.6)
- xi. Pearson regulated drain reconstruction and replacement or repair of bridges and culverts necessary for reconstruction – Estimated cost of \$200,000 (EC 5.6)
- xii. Regulated Legal Drain Improvement Projects - Estimated cost of \$508,000
- xiii. Bridge Replacement Projects - Estimated cost of \$650,000
- xiv. Bridge Rehabilitation Projects – Estimated cost of \$490,000
- xv. Small Structure Replacement Projects – Estimated cost of \$890,000
- xvi. Contour Data / LiDAR Readings for the Entire County - Estimated cost of \$67,960.81

E. Revenue Replacement and Administrative Expenses

- i. Costs of administering the program (EC 7.1)
- ii. Provision of government services, replacing lost revenue – All remaining funds (EC 6.1)

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the APRA Project List to include the purchase of two vehicles. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE 2024-07 AMENDING SECTION 50.29 OF THE COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

Bob Clutter, County Attorney, presented Ordinance 2024-07 amending Section 50.29 of the County Code relating to the enforcement of the Solid Waste Ordinance read the ordinance aloud in pertinent part pursuant to state law.

Boone County Code of Ordinances Section 50.29 as follows (*bold italics denote added language*; language stricken is denoted with lines through the text):

SECTION 50.29 ENFORCEMENT.

- (A) The Board shall administer and enforce this subchapter. This subchapter shall be enforced by *fine or* injunction of the Circuit *or Superior Courts of Boone County* upon proof of its violation by a mere preponderance of the evidence.
- (B) The Board shall report any alleged violation of this subchapter to the Prosecuting *County* Attorney for Boone County, Indiana, who shall promptly cause proceedings to be commenced against the alleged violator of this subchapter and to prosecute the matter to final determination. *The violator shall be responsible for all costs of legal action including costs of collection, filing fees and reasonable attorney fees of the Board.*

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve Ordinance 2024-07. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO THE JACKSON TOWNSHIP BOARD

Debbie Ottinger, the Republican County Chairman, proposed the appointment of Randal Keith Crumwell to the Jackson Township Board. This comes after the passing of a board member, and since a caucus was not held in a timely manner, this appointment will serve to complete the deceased member's term.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to appoint Randal Keith Crumwell to the Jackson Township Board. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF 2025 APPOINTMENT DISCUSSION

Kaylee Jessie, Executive Administrator, presented the of board appointments scheduled to expire by the end of the year.

Alcohol Beverage Board	1 Member	1-Year Term
Central Indiana Regional Transportation Board (CIRTA)	1 Member	1-Year Term
Trico Regional Sewer Utility	1 Member	4-Year Term
Convention Visitors Bureau	1 Member	2-Year Term
Convention Visitors Bureau (Commissioner)	1 Member	1-Year Term
EMA and LEPC Board	1 Member	1-Year Term
Hussey Library Board	1 Member	4-Year Term
Lebanon Public Library Board	1 Member	4-Year Term
PTO / BOA	3 Members	1-Year Term
Redevelopment Commission	3 Members	1-Year Term
Region 5 Dept of Planning Commission (Sheriff)	1 Member	1-Year Term
Region 5 Workforce Board	1 Member	1-Year Term
Solid Waste District Board	1 Member	1-Year Term

If you are interested in being considered for re-appointment or for a new appointment to a board listed, please visit the County’s website (<https://boonecounty.in.gov/offices/county-council/boone-county-board-appointments/>). Select the board you’re interested in and upload your resume for consideration.

IN THE MATTER OF 2025 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

Bob Clutter, County Attorney, presented the 2025 annual meeting notice for Commissioners meetings.

Pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-5 (c), the Boone County Board of Commissioners will conduct regular public meetings on the first and third Monday of each month, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (local time). If those dates are a recognized holiday or the County offices are closed due to emergency, the Commissioners will conduct their public meeting on the next business day.

The public meetings will occur at the following location:
CONNIE LAMAR MEETING ROOM 105
116 W. WASHINGTON ST.
LEBANON, INDIANA 46052

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve annual meeting notice. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

1) 2025 ANNUAL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Commissioner Wolfe received feedback from other elected officials favoring the observation of New Year's Eve (December 31st) instead of Washington's Birthday (December 26th). Auditor Debbie Morton-Crum advocated for recognizing both holidays and also suggested including Juneteenth. Recorder Debbie Ottinger expressed gratitude to the Commissioners for the benefits employees currently receive, stating that the county is very fortunate. She emphasized that the elected officials highlight the benefits package when hiring new employees. Additionally, she supported Auditor Crum's proposal, noting that the county will observe two fewer holidays next year due to the absence of local elections.

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve the following:

Wednesday, January 1	New Year's Day
Monday, January 20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Monday, February 17	President's Day
Friday, April 18	Good Friday
Monday, May 26	Memorial Day
Friday, July 4	Independence Day
Monday, September 1	Labor Day
Monday, October 13	Columbus Day
Tuesday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving
Friday, November 28	Day after Thanksgiving
Wednesday, December 24	Christmas Eve
Thursday, December 25	Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 31	New Year's Eve

Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed 2-1 (Lawson).

IN THE MATTER OF STAFF REPORTS

- APC –
- Capital Investments / Facilities – Max Mendenhall
- Health Department – Lisa Younts / Abby Messenger
- Highway Department – Nick Parr
- Human Resources – Megan Smith
- IT Support – GUTS
- Other Elected Officials

Max Mendenhall, Director of Capital Investments presented the following item(s):

- 1) Project updates on the Boone County Justice Center:
 - Conducted the 82nd Owner-Architect-Contractor meeting
 - Tracking 80% project completion
 - Continue to stay on budget and schedule
 - 130 days without a reportable incident onsite
 - Hagerman is pushing cleanup onsite and the importance of continuing to wear PPE
 - Phonenumber issue has been resolved
 - Will begin paving the parking lot and drive soon
 - Equipment will start being delivered in October
 - Ontrack for turnover for the kitchen in October

Carol Cunningham, County Surveyor presented the following item(s):

- 1) Hold harmless agreement for the Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) related to the State Road 38 detour.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the hold harmless agreement. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

Nick Parr, Director of Highways presented the following item(s):

- 1) Amendment to the interlocal cooperation agreement with the Town of Zionsville. The Town intends to construct a pedestrian pathway along Whitestown Road from approximately 205 feet east of the centerline of Nuthatch Drive and its intersection with Whitestown Road to approximately 155 feet west of the centerline of Pheasant Run at its intersection with Whitestown Road. The Whitestown Road Segment is within the established Rural Service District. The Town recommends that it is in the best interest of both Parties that the Town assume ownership, jurisdiction and maintenance responsibilities of the Whitestown Road Segment, the highway department supports this change.

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve the amendment to the interlocal cooperation agreement with the Town of Zionsville. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

- 2) Project 2021-15, Bridge 83 Replacement- Bids were open 9/11 and the project is awardable, there were 9 bidders and the project is under estimate. Bid evaluation is ongoing, Indiana Department of Transportation (“INDOT”) will notify us when the low bidder has been confirmed.

Debbie Morton-Crum, County Auditor presented the following item(s):

- 1) The request to use American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funds in the amount of \$25,264.80 towards the Federal grant portion of the Boone County’s annual audit. Commissioner Wolfe asked if this amount was already a budgeted item. Auditor Crum responded that it is paid out of the county's general miscellaneous settlement dollars. Commissioner Wolfe inquired why it would be different this year compared to previous years. Auditor Crum explained that she was trying to save taxpayer dollars. Commissioner Wolfe noted that this is an ongoing annual expense, so it would make the most sense to vet it and explore what other projects the funds could be applied towards that are one-time expenses. Commissioner Wolfe moved to deny the request. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DOCUMENT SIGNING

1) Affidavit for payment to Lochmueller Group in the amount of \$1,500 (INV#1212031) for the Boone County culvert replacement SC015 on CR 900 N.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the affidavit for payment to Lochmueller Group. Motion seconded by Commissioner Beyer; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

2) Affidavit for payment to GM Development Companies LLC in the amount of \$2,250,675.45 for Draw Request 022 for the construction of BCJC Expansion.

Commissioner Beyer moved to ratify the affidavit for payment to GM Development Companies LLC. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

3) Veridus Group Recommendation Letter 105 to proceed with the approval of costs per the Pro Power Industries proposal dated 07/10/24, specific to the fitness room flooring to be installed at the Sheriff's fitness room in Unit A. The proposal amount is \$14,990.00.

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve Veridus Group Recommendation Letter 105 - Pro Power Industries proposal. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

4) Claims Dockets – regular, prepaids, payroll, and insurance.

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF MAIL

See (**Appendix #3**) for a list of mail opened by the Commissioners on this date.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Beyer moved to adjourn the Boone County Commissioners' Meeting at 10:47 AM on Monday, September 16, 2024. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wolfe; motion passed unanimously 3-0.