

**COUNCIL MINUTES
BOONE COUNTY, INDIANA
January 14th, 2025**

Council Member: You are hereby notified that there will be a regular meeting of the Boone County Council at the Boone County Office Building, 116 W. Washington St., in the Connie Lamar Meeting Room, Room 105, in the City of Lebanon, on Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, at 8:30am.

Councilman Williams called the meeting to order. Council members in attendance were, Kevin VanHorn, Jennifer Hostetter, Shari Richey, John Riner, Dan Lamar, Dustin Plunkett, and Aaron Williams joined the meeting via teleconference.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Councilman Williams asked for a motion to approve the December 10th, 2024 council minutes. Councilwoman Richey made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Lamar seconded the motion. The motion carried, 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Ed Cambra and Sarah Jones with Hussey-Mayfield Library gave a status update. They highlighted the services that the library offers.

The Council made the election of officers for the year 2025. Councilman VanHorn made a motion to elect Councilwoman Hostetter as President of the council. Councilman Lamar seconded the motion. The motion carried, 6-1. Councilman Lamar made a motion to elect Councilwoman Richey as Vice President of the council. Councilman VanHorn seconded the motion. The motion carried, 6-1.

The council discussed renewing the annual engagement agreement renewal with their legal council which is Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP. Councilman Williams made a motion to renew the agreement. Councilwoman Richey seconded the motion. The motion carried, 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Councilman VanHorn read off the names of people up for renewal of their board appointments. They are as follows:

Michael Burtron for Alcohol Beverage Board

Dustin Plunkett for Area Plan Commission

Lorrie Monn and Karen Galvin for Lebanon Public Library Board

Sarah Jones for Hussey-Mayfield Library Board

Barb Hillger for Thorntown Public Library Board

Lisa Batts, Matthew Jackson, and Walter Burtner for PTA/BOA

Kevin VanHorn for Conventions & Visitors Bureau

Ben Lawson and John Riner for Redevelopment Commission

Shari Richey for Solid Waste District

Councilman Williams would like to note that when Councilman Plunkett was announced for the APC board appointment by Councilman VanHorn, he questioned who put him on the list for the position. Councilman VanHorn stated that it was discussed in the December 2024 council meeting. It was never discussed in the December council meeting when listening back to the video.

New State legislature states a County Council member must serve on the Area Plan Commission. Dustin Plunkett, who has served on the APC for the past several years, will continue to serve as our Council member. Councilwoman Richey noted that the Boone EDC invites the Council President to attend quarterly meetings for elected officials. This is not a board position but simply an invitation to the quarterly meetings held for elected officials. Jennifer Hostetter is the new Council President and will attend the quarterly meetings.

Councilman VanHorn made a motion to approve all names above for board appointments be approved. Councilman Lamar seconded the motion. The motion carried, 7-0.


Auditor Crum requested a meeting for the health insurance committee to discuss specific HSA eligibility requirements. They said they will plan a virtual meeting in the near future to discuss.

PUBLIC COMMENT


Nick Parr with the Highway Department spoke about new proposed legislation for Highway funding for roads. There is a bill to be filed soon for a new wheel tax. He will give updates as he gets them.

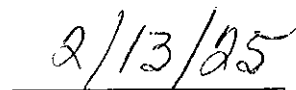
Councilwoman Richey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Plunkett seconded the motion. The motion carried, 7-0.

Minutes Prepared by Caryn Strode, Deputy Auditor.


Jennifer Hostetter
Boone County Council President

2/11/25
Date


Debbie M. Morton-Crum
Boone County Auditor


Date