

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the September 15, 2025 Meeting

The Boone County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Monday September 15, 2025, 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:

Scott Pell	Commissioner, President
Tim Beyer	Commissioner, Vice President
Donald Lawson	Commissioner
Beth Copeland	County Attorney

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Pell opened the meeting at 09:00 AM. Auditor Crum did a Roll Call vote. Quorum met—three (3) Commissioners present. Pledge of Allegiance done.

MINUTES

Approval of minutes from September 2, 2025; Commissioner Beyer. Commissioner Beyer made a motion to approve the minutes; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Pell asked if any Commissioner had any questions on the list of Consent Agenda items for individual discussion. Upon hearing none, a motion was called. Commissioner Beyer made a motion to approve the consent agenda items; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

- A. Ordinance 2025-05-An Ordinance Amending from AG to I-1, the zone map for the RL Turner Property (8.75 acres on SR 39 S); Kent Fransden gave a summary of the project. Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; No second motion was made; The motion died. Commissioner Beyer made a motion to deny the rezone; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-1 to not approve the rezone. Commissioner Lawson voted nay.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

- A. IEDC update on LEAP; Richard Michal gave an update.
- B. Legal Issues
 - 1. Accept/Release of maintenance/performance bonds; Request to release two bonds for the following: Letter of credit for erosion control at Jackson Glen SE (2300 S./700 E.) for \$50,000 and Cardinal Point section 4 for \$849,600; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to release both bonds; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
 - 2. Resolution 2025-09-A Resolution Adopting Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 for Boone County, Indiana; Commissioner Beyer made a motion to approve the resolution; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- C. Move with MADD Event; Denise Niblick gave details of the event which includes the use of the East side of courthouse; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- D. Request to be heard on the RL Turner rezoning; Nancy Allen spoke on the matter.
- E. Comcast Update; Jeremy Burton gave an update on the rural fiber deployment in Boone County.
- F. Resolution 2025-10-A Resolution of the Boone County Board of Commissioners Approving an Order of the Boone County Area Plan Commission; Bob Clutter presented the resolution; Commissioner Beyer made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- G. Update on Public Transit; Anita Bowen gave a quarterly update.
- H. Ordinance 2025-10-An Ordinance Amending Chapter 71, Traffic Schedules, Schedule IV (first reading); Nick Parr presented the ordinance; no vote needed.
- I. FY 2026 Community Crossings Application Call; Nick Parr presented a letter of support (funding commitment letters) for all three anticipated projects.
 - 1. Replacement of Small Structure MA-034 on 1000 E. for \$440,000 with a local match of \$220,000 which is 50% of the construction costs.
 - 2. Replacement of Bridge 158 on CR 25 W. for \$800,000 with a local match of \$400,000
 - 3. Full Depth Reclamation with Asphalt on CR 200 S. for \$380,000.Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve all three funding commitment letters; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- J. Payroll change form requests; Commissioner Lawson presented forms for change in pay for Tammy Rose and Amber Choate; Commissioner Beyer made a motion to approve; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- K. KeyBank Design Contract; Commissioner Beyer presented a conceptual phase approval to permit Veridus to enter into contract negotiations with K2M on the conceptual design on the KeyBank building; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 1. Lisa Bruder, Clerk, noted they have met and discussed the holiday schedule for 2026 as well as longevity pay and PTO payouts. They have given an update to the Council, and the Commissioners will make a vote on the holiday schedule and PTO payouts at the same time in a future meeting.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Commissioner Beyer noted they have a meeting after today's Commissioner meeting.
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STAFF REPORTS

- APC
 - John Merson gave information on the dates for the Comprehensive Plan Update that the public can attend.
- Capital Investments / Facilities
 - None
- Health Department
 - None
- Highway Department
 - Nick Parr gave updates on road closures.
- HR
 - None
- Capital Investments / Facilities
 - None
- IT Support
 - None
- Communications
 - Brent Wheat gave updates on the county website.
- 4-H Fairgrounds/Extension
 - Andrea Hatfield gave an update on available programs. She also is requesting Courthouse dome lights be green for National 4-H week (10/5-10/11). Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Commissioner Lawson asked her to also put signs on the courthouse lawn stating why the dome is green.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Corey Brown, Matt Wilson, and Ron Ebert gave public comments.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Beyer moved to approve claims as submitted. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lawson. The motion passed 3-0.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Beyer and Commissioner Pell gave comments.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Lawson moved to adjourn the Boone County Commissioners' Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Beyer and passed unanimously, with a vote of 3-0.