

BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the June 1, 2026 Meeting

The Boone County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 1, 2026, 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:

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

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Beyer opened the meeting at 9:00 AM. Auditor, Debbie Crum, did a Roll Call. Quorum met—three (3) Commissioners present. Pledge of Allegiance was done. Commissioner Pell asked for a moment of silence for Sam Myers.

MINUTES

Approval of minutes from May 18, 2026 meeting; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve the minutes; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

None.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

- A. Bereavement Leave Policy Update-amending the definition of spouse; Commissioner Lawson asked to delay this change until the end of the year; Commissioner Pell made a motion to approve the policy update; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion; The motion passed 2-1. Commissioner Lawson voted nay. Auditor Crum requested this policy be retroactive back to 5/15/2026; Commissioner Pell made a motion to approve; Commissioner Beyer seconded the motion; Then motion passed 2-1. Commissioner Lawson voted nay.
- B. Discussion concerning Compensation and Insurance Committees-Commissioner Beyer stated the RFP is nearly complete for insurance.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

- A. Legal Issues
 - 1. Accept/Release of maintenance/performance bonds-None.

- B. Engagement for Outside Legal Services-with Bose McKinney to assist Attorney Beth Copeland, not to exceed \$20,000; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- C. Resolution 2026-06-Mobile Device Policy; Commissioner Pell made a motion approve; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.
- D. Resolution 2026-07 Approving Property Tax Abatement for Rayzebio, Inc; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-1. Commissioner Beyer voted nay.
- E. Dilling Group Quote-BCJ Replacement of Mini Split System; For phone room at the Justice Center not to exceed \$12,820; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- F. Boone County Emergency Management Agency-Discussion only; To be a full-time position in 2027.
- G. Job Descriptions: Administrative Assistant, Human Resources, EMA Director, EMA Deputy Director-revisions due to changes; Commissioner Pell made a motion to approve all except for the Administrative Assistant which will be done at a later date; Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- H. Agreement with Baker Tilly to Provide Financial Services to the Auditor-Not to exceed \$25,000 for the rest of 2026; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- I. BF&S Task #80-CEG ROW Inspection for Permit #202610040-Not to exceed \$35,000; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- J. Boone County Historical Society Grant Letter of Support-Applying for a grant for repairs to the Cragun House; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.
- K. JDH Contracting Quote #2026-0375 BCJC Tower Inspection-For lighting system and other repairs not to exceed \$22,096.11; Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve; Commissioner Pell seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

COMPENSATION COMMITTEE UPDATES

None.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE UPDATES

None.

STAFF REPORTS

- Director of Administration
 - None
- APC
 - None
- Capital Investments / Facilities
 - None
- Health Department
 - None

- Highway Department
 - Kim Harris announced the road closures around the county.
 - Human Resources
 - None
 - IT Support
 - None
 - Communications
 - None
 - 4-H Fairgrounds/Extension
 - Andrea Hatfield gave updates on events and programs at the 4-H Fairgrounds.
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ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMMENTS

Recorder Debbie Ottinger gave comments on the Bereavement Policy.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

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

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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