

NOTICE OF AND AGENDA FOR:
HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING
HOWARD COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER
220 NORTH MAIN STREET, ROOM 338 (3RD FLOOR)
MONDAY, JUNE 03RD, 2024, AT 4:00 P.M.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance, Prayer
- II. Special Announcements / Recognitions
- III. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes
- IV. Departmental Business & Reports
 - A. *Recorder – Torie Kelley*
 - i. Michelle McKnight
 - ii. Trademark Title INC
 - iii. Titan Title Services LLC
 - B. The Highway Department – Amber Tolle
 - i. Bid opening for Bridge 45, Bridge Overlay
- V. New Business
- VI. Claims & Reports
 - A. Salary Claims
 - B. Payroll Expense
 - C. Operating Claims
 - D. Ratify Claims
 - E. Monthly Reports
 - F. Grants
- VII. County Attorney Issues
- VIII. Commissioner Issues
- IX. Public Comments
- X. Adjourn

JACK W. DODD, PRESIDENT
R. BRAD BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT
JEFF S. LIPINSKI, MEMBER

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING: JUNE 03, 2024

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, June 3rd, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included Commissioner President Jack Dodd, Commissioner Vice President Brad Bray, Commissioner Member Jeff Lipinski, County Attorney Alan Wilson, and County Auditor Jessica Secrease.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Jerry Asher and conducted by President Dodd. Commissioner President Dodd led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Lipinski offered a word of prayer.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT/RECOGNITIONS:

Employee of the Month – Kari Rennaker

On January 29th 2024 while conducting his duties in Superior Court 2 Steve Arnold was tasked with escorting a mental health court participant, to look up after being found to be in direct contempt of court for non-compliance with program rules in the area of the third floor between Superior 2 and Superior 4. The individual, while handcuffed, decided to resist by trying to pull away from Steven, and made an attempt to jump over the third-floor railing. Steven prevented this from happening and as a result suffered a broken thumb, which required surgery and time off from work. Steven's credit he saved this individual's life and should be commended for his actions, for this reason he was nominated for employee of the month.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 20th, 2024, regular meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS & REPORTS:

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Jail freezer Replacement

Bill Stonestreet presents the freezer at the jail. It is giving the Jail a lot of trouble and Bill would like for it to get replaced. He presented a quote from Irish Mechanical to replace the freezer for \$15,000.00. They will also have to add an additional \$3,000.00 for a temporary freezer. That is why he is requesting \$18,000.00. A motion to approve the jail freezer replacement was made by Commissioner Lipinski. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PROJECT MANAGER

Commissioner appointment

Pam Isaac presented an appointment for the County Economic Redevelopment Commission for Jordan Buckley. The current appointment has resigned, and the new appointment must be a school board member. A motion to approve the appointment of Jordan Buckley was made by Commissioner Lipinski. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

CORONER

Howard County Mass Fatality Plan

Dr. Steven J. Seele presented the Mass Fatality Plan, minor updates in how these roles are described were added to the fire department, law enforcement, EMA, the health department, American Red Cross, etc. An example is the

health department added they now have a district 6 Healthcare Coalition, that didn't exist back in 2017. A motion to approve the Howard County Mass Fatality Plan was made by Commissioner Bray. Commissioner Lipinski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

District 6 MOU

Janice Hart presented the district 6 MOU. A motion to approve the District 6 MOU was made by Commissioner Lipinski. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Rezoning Case 8-CZ-24

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-24 for the rezoning of the property located at 3144 E 50 N., Kokomo, Indiana from AG (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential). With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-24 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Subdivision (Case 4-CP-24)

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, Tryling Addition Subdivision, located on a 1 lot at 3144 E 50 N Kokomo, Indiana from AG (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the Board. There was no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve Tryling Addition Subdivision, located on a new lot at 3114 E. 50 N., Kokomo, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Brad seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning Case 9-CZ-24

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-25 for the rezoning of the property located at 4326 W 500 N., Kokomo, Indiana from AG (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential). With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-25 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Subdivision (Case 5-CP-24)

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, Hayden Ann Subdivision, located on at 1 lot at 4326 W 500 N Kokomo, Indiana from AG (Agriculture) to RR (Rural Residential). There was a favorable recommendation by the Board. There was no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve Hayden Ann Subdivision, located on a new 1 lot at 4326 W 500 N Kokomo, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Brad seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Rezoning Case 10-CZ-24

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-26 for the rezoning of the property located at 112 N 300 E., Kokomo, Indiana from AG to C2. With the rezoning request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-26 as presented. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Subdivision (Case 6-CP-24)

Plan Commission Executive Director Greg Sheline submitted a new subdivision, Re-Plat of Lot 1 in W Gifford Subdivision, located on 2 lots at 2988 S 870 W Kokomo, Indiana from AG to C2. There was a favorable recommendation by the Board. There was no remonstrance. With the new subdivision request having been heard, Commissioner Lipinski made a motion to approve W Gifford Subdivision, located on 2 lots at 2988 S 870 W., Kokomo, Indiana as presented. Commissioner Brad seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Jessica Secrease submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims for payment on May 31st, 2024, in the amounts of \$1,115,500.73, as well as for June 3rd were submitted and approved on a motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Payroll Expenses:** The Commissioners' Payroll Expenses for payment on May 31st, 2024, in the amounts of \$1,115,500.73 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray to approve. Commissioner Lipinski seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
3. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid on May 17th, 2024, in the amount of \$452,289.82 was submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Commissioner Bray to approve. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lipinski, and the motion carried.

COUNTY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

Attorney Alan Wilson presented Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-27 Fund 9144. This grant fund of \$24,500 has been awarded to Howard Heaven. A motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve Ordinance No. 2024-BCCO-27. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson also presented an agreement for contract Services between the Commissioners and Gabrielle Dupuy for assistance with the American Rescue plan report. This is on an hourly basis until the report is completed. A motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve contract Services between the Commissioners and Gabrielle Dupuy. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson proposed a third amendment to the agreement for Cooperative action between the city and the county, this third amendment allows the state through INDA to have a vote by proxy. A motion made by Commissioner Lipinski to approve the amendment. Commissioner Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Alan Wilson presented a road plan for Amber Tolle in her absence. This was previously passed at the 05.20.2024 meeting, it only needs signed by Commissioner President Dodd.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Lipinski. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bray, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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ATTEST:

JESSICA SECREASE, AUDITOR

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