

APRIL 21ST 2025

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday April 21st 2025 8:30AM at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Commissioners present were Donald Street, Michael McClure, Jennifer Knebel with County Auditor Teresa Bryant and County Attorney Jacob Ahler.

Also present were Gary Kruger, Natasha Daugherty, Terri Hansen, Raymond Hansen, Karla Redweik, Gail Lambert, Larry Lambert, Joe Moyer, Ginny Munroe, Tim Hollandsworth, Jake Ballah, Bev Smith, Megan Galbreath, Chris Schramm, and Nathan Origer.

President Street opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: HIGHWAY, GARY KRUGER

County received 3 bids for the 2025 Community Crossings grant project. Gary will take the bids for review and come back at next meeting with recommendation.

Central Paving	\$1,040,433.36
EB Paving	\$1,220,727.20
Town & Country	\$1,209,042.62

Gary asked if summer hours (4-10s) could start May 11 rather than May 25th as he wants to get started on road work. Jennifer made a motion to approve summer hours starting May 11th, Michael seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: AUDITOR, TERESA BRYANT

TrueRoll will conduct a thorough audit of current homestead deductions in Pulaski County to identify ineligible deductions. They will provide a detailed report, which will allow the County to take corrective action and recover lost revenue. TrueRoll offers 2 options: Full Contingency Audit—no cost to County but TrueRoll gets 30% of collections (35% if only 1 year of back taxes collected) or \$23,000/year for End-to End Homestead Administration. Commissioners said they thought this would be beneficial to County. Michael made a motion to approve TrueRoll, Jennifer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: COMMISSIONER JENNIFER KNEBEL

APC has been working on a moratorium on battery storage but there has been a lack of progress due to APC not having an attorney and not having a quorum at meetings. Karla Redweik wanted to hire Jacob Ahler but Council would not approve an additional to pay for Jacob as they feel APC should hire someone that is not the County attorney. Carla only has \$1,000. in the budget for legal fees. Jacob thinks Council would approve the additional for another attorney other than him. Karla is in talks with a couple of attorneys and will bring before the APC board.

Jennifer has requested APC minutes since 2020 and has received very little. Nathan Origer said minutes up to 2022 are available on the County's website but 2023 and 2024 are not. Karla said APC meets every other month but meetings are cancelled if no business to discuss. Jennifer asked if meetings could be monthly. Until APC has an attorney to write up rules, cannot change meeting schedule. Jennifer asked what could be done if all the alternates have conflicts of interest regarding a particular vote. Jacob stated that in such a case, a special designee may be able to be selected/chosen.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Michael made a motion to approve and sign Executive Session minutes from 4/7/2025 and regular session minutes from 4/7/2025, Jennifer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer made a motion to approve and sign claims and payroll #8, Michael seconded, and motion carried unanimously.

Teresa presented Ordinance No. 2025-09 to set policy for grant approval and administration. Michael made a motion to approve ordinance, Jennifer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-09AN ORDINANCE FOR THE APPROVAL AND ADMINISTRATION POLICY FOR GRANTS
OF PULASKI COUNTY

WHEREAS, the County of Pulaski, Indiana, is an Equal Opportunity Employer and it intends to comply with applicable federal and state of Indiana employment laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the County of Pulaski, Indiana, is implementing a grant approval and administration policy which requires all elected office holders and department heads to notify the Pulaski County Commissioners and Pulaski County Auditor of grant applications that would involve the Auditor and administration of those grants; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this ordinance provides the opportunity for the Pulaski County Board of Commissioners and the Pulaski County Council to determine if the approval of the requested grant application included the hiring of additional employees or involved the use of matching funds;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA THAT;

1. The attached Pulaski County Grant Approval and Administration Policy is hereby adopted and

Shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption by the Commissioners and shall supersede and repeal existing oral or written policies and procedures.

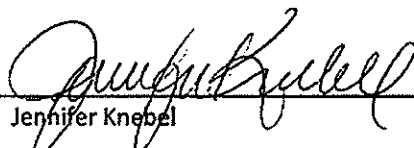
2. All elected officers and department heads must complete the request for grants form attached hereto if the grant requires administration of grant funds by the Pulaski County Auditor, potentially adds personnel expenses for the county, or requires the use of county matching funds.

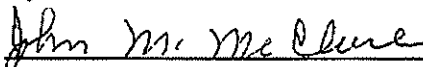
3. Grants submitted by elected officials and department heads that do not involve additional personnel expenses or the need for matching funds and that are part of the department's regular funding source are exempt from prior approval by the Board of Commissioners and by the Pulaski County Council.
4. All grants are subject to Pulaski County's Internal Controls and Procedures policy.

ADOPTED this 21 day of April, 2025.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA


Donald Street, President


Jennifer Knebel


John M. McClure

ATTEST:


Teresa Bryant, Auditor

Commissioners approved and signed an Acceptable Use Policy 3/6/2025 regarding employee use of IT. Donald made a motion to approve Acceptable Use Policy Amendment to add to Personnel Handbook, Jennifer seconded and motion carried unanimously. (No form presented for signatures).

Jennifer made a motion to approve submitted Conference Request, Michael seconded and motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH: Marie Roth, Rise Up for Kids 2025, Carmel, April 24th

Letter from National Opioid Action Coalition-iHeart Media was discussed. They are requesting financial support to produce and distribute high-quality content to our residents through audit, video/TV and digital media. This was tabled to be discussed at Joint Session. Donald wanted the letter sent to the Drug Free Council, Health Department and Community Foundation.

Ginny Munroe & Tim Hollandsworth of VS Engineering were present to give updates over the last 2 weeks. Ginny said they received 14 complaints and they issued a \$14,500 fine to Mammoth. Unlawful violations have been forwarded for Sheriff. Mammoth has hired Town & Country to make repairs and improvements on CR800W and CR600S. Tim said Central Map 2 has been approved. Upcoming activities include pilings starting. They will quit 5-6 PM. Jennifer asked about weekends and Tim will check. Mayflower had a fire and all work has ceased until investigation but believed to be a brush fire caused while cutting metal. There are no updates from Moss Creek and it is believed that work will not be starting anytime soon.

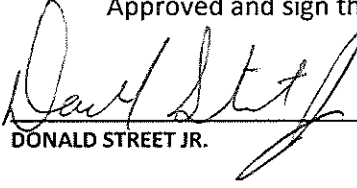
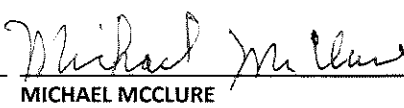
Jennifer said she has received many calls regarding solar use of ATV and UTV and asked what the regulations are. Tim said ATVs are required to be registered with BMV as well as operating on development. A sticker is issued for the ATV. Sheriff has stopped 6-7 trucks but department is spread thin. They have to see the violations to enforce them. Highway will be putting out flashing stop signs. Deputies are stopping violators but cannot issue tickets for stop sign violations until ordinance is in

effect. Violation fees will go into County General in a separate fund. VS requires photo evidence in order to issue a fine. The 150' setback was discussed. Karla said the 150' includes any component of the solar project. This matter is in discussion between solar and County attorney.

There was no public comment.

With no other business to discuss, Jennifer made a motion to adjourn at 9:25AM, Michael seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and sign this 5th day of May 2025 by the PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

  
DONALD STREET JR. MICHAEL MCCLURE JENNIFER KNEBEL

ATTEST: 
TERESA BRYANT, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN