

FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting – January 6, 2026

BE IT REMEMBERED:

That the Fayette County Commissioners of Fayette County, State of Indiana, met in regular scheduled session on the above date at 2:00 P.M. with the following present: Commissioners Dale Strong, Dale Munson, and Tracie Bever and Auditor Jane Downard and County Attorney Geoff Wesling of said County and State.

Auditor Downard called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The first item of business was the election of officers. Auditor Downard asked for a nomination of declaration for the position of president. Commissioner Strong nominated Dale Munson, Commissioner Bever seconded the nomination, and motion carried 3-0. Auditor Downard passed the gavel to President Munson, who then asked for a nomination for vice-president. Commissioner Strong nominated Tracie Bever, Commissioner Munson seconded the nomination, and motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bever moved to approve the minutes of December 16th regular meeting, Commissioner Strong seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

BID OPENING:

Bids were received from:

New Point Stone for aggregate

Terry Asphalt Material bid for limestone, flowable fill, liquid asphalt, culvert pipe metal and plastic

IMI for gravel, recycled concrete

Rush County Stone for limestone

Keystone Cooperative for diesel fuel and gasoline

Valley Asphalt for culvert pipe metal and plastic, gasoline and diesel fuel, crushed gravel and gravel, deicing salt

R-Mix LLC for asphalt

Asphalt Materials Inc. for oil for chip sealing

St. Regis Culvert Inc. for culvert pipe metal and plastic

CivilCon for culverts, erosion control fabric, pre-cast bridges, steel and concrete beam guardrails and accessories

Commissioner Strong moved to take bids under advisement and have our highway director review them and come back to us with a recommendation, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

Highway Director Chris Gettinger returned to the meeting after reviewing bids and recommended commissioners accept all bids and allow him to use the lowest price available at time of need. Commissioner Strong moved to approve all bids and allow Chris to use the supplier that most meets our needs at the time, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

HIGHWAY:

Chris Gettinger submitted a 144 and requested permission to hire Shawn Caudill as a seasonal employee. Commissioner Strong moved to approve the 144 as presented, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

911:

Jeff Griffin presented a 144 to hire two part-time dispatchers, Shawnda Keene and Jacqueline Kelley. Commissioner Strong moved to approve the 144 as presented, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

Jeff updated commissioners that they had received one application for the 911 Director position. Friday the 9th is the deadline. Jeff plans to approach council this evening and request they amend the starting salary ordinance and increase the starting pay to encourage more applications.

Commissioner Bever moved to schedule an executive session on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 13th and 14th, at 1 p.m., to conduct interviews, Commissioner Strong seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bever moved to approve the revised job description for the 911 Director, Commissioner Strong seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

CLERK:

Dawn Hughes reminded all that the Declaration of Candidacy period begins tomorrow. If anyone has any questions, please call the Clerk's office.

COUNTY ATTORNEY:

Geoff Wesling did not have anything at this time.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE:

There were no Council members present.

MAIL:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Bever moved to table board appointments until the next meeting, Commissioner Strong seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Strong requested permission for Grant Administrator Jolissa Bates to apply for another LARE Grant, Commissioner Bever seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0.

PATRON CONCERNS:

None

PAYROLL AND CLAIMS:

Commissioner Bever moved to approve claims as presented, seconded by Commissioner Strong, motion carried 3-0. Commissioners then signed all paperwork on camera.

ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Strong moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Bever, motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Dale Munson
Dale Munson, President

Tracie Bever
Tracie Bever, Vice-President

Dale H. Strong
Dale Strong

Jane Downard
Attest: Jane Downard, Auditor