

MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

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The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 22, 2025 at 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row – Room E109, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Board President Commissioner Dan Guard, Commissioner Jim Fulwider; and Commissioner Jake Bohlander.

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; County Administrator Tom Klein; Auditor Mindy Byers; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Sheriff Ryan Needham; Highway Director Jake Lough; Chief Probation Office Andria Geigle; EMA Director Jessica Burget; CCC Director Sherri Hill; Treasurer Heather Laffoon; Recorder Nancy Cox; VA Officer Joe Ellis; Assistant County Attorney Tyler Nichols and Commissioner Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Commissioner Guard led the pledge of allegiance and the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP \$3,078,588.75 & Payroll \$510,283.51

Minutes: September 8, 2025

Acknowledge Approval of Repair Work Order - Montgomery County Courthouse TK Elevator - \$997.71

For the purchase of the plans for the Courthouse elevator. The plans were needed in order for the contractor to identify the issue.

Acknowledge 2025 Title VI Implementation Plan Update

Each County is required to submit an updated Title VI Implementation Plan by October 1st of each year to INDOT.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING - Text Amendments to Subdivision Control Ordinance

Board President Guard opened the Public Hearing @ 8:01am Building/Zoning Administrator Marc Bonwell stated the Montgomery County Plan Commission conducted a public hearing on August 12, 2025 on text amendments to the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance which would make technical corrections, make amendments consistent with new legislation, and make other changes to promote orderly development in Montgomery County.

No one from the public coming forward, Board President Guard closed the Public Hearing @ 8:03 am.

ORDINANCE 2025-23 ADOPTING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO SUBDIVISION CONTROLORDINANCE

Commissioner Fulwder moved to approve Ordinance 2025-23 Adopting Text Amendments to Subidivision Control Ordinance. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Project Attorney Dan Taylor Opened the following quotes:

Location	Prochoice	32 Heating & Cooling	E.C. Smith And Sons	Cox Roofing	Myers Heating & Cooling
2256 CR725 E				\$1,576.67 Alt \$828.34	
1897 S 1000 E	\$5,395	\$8,800	\$7,900		\$5,079
616 E Pike	\$5,395	\$8,700	\$8,800		\$9,165
8 Park Lane W		\$11,600			\$8,947
122 N. Green	\$26,900				

Commissioner Fulwider moved to take the quotes under advisement. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Approve Contracts & Addenda with E.C. Smith and Sons for Roof

Replacements 7968 N 1000 E and 114 W Washington

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the E.C. Smith and Sons Contracts and Addendum for roof replacements at 7968 N 1000 E and 114 W Washington Street. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Homeowner/County Agreement for Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Assistance

Request to approve a template of an agreement to be signed by each homeowner to receive the Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Assistance and for the Board President to sign each agreement.

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the template of the Homeowner/County Agreement for Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Assistance. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Highway Department

Nucor/136 Intersection Improvement Construction/Inspection Contract - USI Consulting, Inc. - NTE \$2,486,400

Highway Director Jake Lough requested approval of the Nucor construction inspection contract with USI- this contract is for DES# 2301604,2301680, and 2301681 for inspection on Nucor/136 intersection improvement with added turn lanes, bridge replacement and new bridge construction. Contract is Not to Exceed the amount of \$2,486,400. INDOT has reviewed the boilerplate and approved this contract. *Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the Construction/Inspection Contract with USI Consulting, Inc. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

Community Crossing Matching Grant Financial Commitment Letter

Highway Director Jake Lough requested approval of the Community Crossing Matching Grant financial letter- this letter states that Montgomery county will be responsible for their portion of the grant. The grant changed to 80/20 match after legislation. The estimate for the paving 625 E from 500 N to State road 32 and 600 E from state road 32 to state road 136 is \$1,393,394. The max amount of the grant is \$1,000,000 so the county portion would be \$393,394. If the bids come in at estimate. *Commissioner Guard moved to approve the financial commitment letter. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

Energreen Vegetation Management Machine aka Boom Mower \$291,764

Highway Director Jake Lough requested authority to enter into a lease to purchase an Energreen Vegetation Management machine (boom mower) from Brown Equiment. This will replace a boom mower that they highway bought used in 2018. It has had several mechanical problems that has been addressed multiple times and continues to fail and can't be fixed. The cost of the unit \$291,764 through Sourcewell yearly payments of \$67,371.43 for 5

years with dollar buyout. This includes a 5 year warranty on boom. Sourcewell is a cooperative purchasing organization that offers competitively solicited contracts to government, education, and nonprofit organizations. These contracts allow members to purchase a wide variety of products and services, including equipment, technology, and construction materials, from nationally recognized suppliers. Sourcewell handles the bidding process, saving members time and effort while ensuring competitive pricing. Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the 5-year lease for the Energreen Vegetation Management machine. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Commissioner Guard questioned how long Director Lough estimated the

mower should last after the 5-year lease. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

2025 Landfill Grading Project Montgomery County Public Works Construction Agreement \$62,000 cost split 50/50 between City of Crawfordsville & **Montgomery County**

Contractor JS McCullough Excavating, LLC. Completion date to be determined at kick off meeting between the County and Contractor.

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the 2025 Landfill Grading Project with JS McCullough. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Addendum to 2025 Landfill Grading Project Montgomery County Public **Works Construction Agreement**

Addendum provides for Suspension and Debarment Certification, Employment Eligibility Verification, No Investment in Iran and Non-Discrimination. Commissioner Guard moved to approve the Addendum to the 2025 Landfill Grading Project with JS McCullough. Commissioner Fulwider seconded. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Opt-In to Participate in the Opioid Settlement with Purdue and the Sackler Family

There is a new national Opioid Settlement with Purdue Pharma (and certain of its affiliates) and the Sackler family.

In order to participate in the settlement, the County must opt in to the settlement by returning the participation form by September 30, 2025.

We have not been informed of the settlement amount or the share that would be distributed to Montgomery County, if the Commissioners choose to participate in the settlement. Commissioner Fulwider moved to authorize the County to Opt-In to Participate in the Opioid Settlement with Purdue Pharma and the Sackler Family. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Commissioner Guard questioned what the plans were for the funds if awarded. Andria Giegle responded there is an

assumption that the funds would be used in the same way as the last Opioid Settlement. *Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

Approve Zahn Carpet Quote for 2nd Floor & Elevator of Thomas K. Milligan Justice Center Building - \$15,874.33

Chief Probation Officer Andria Giegle requested authority to have carpet installed on the 2nd floor and elevator of the Thomas K. Milligan Justice Center Buiding. She requested that the Commissioners consider paying for half of the expense of the new carpet installation. *Commissioner Fulwider approved the request. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, meeting adjourned @ 8:19 am. Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center-Room E-109.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Dan Guard, President

Attest:

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