

**Present:** Mike Morris, Chris Switzer

**Others present:** Auditor Larry Hutchings, Chief Deputy Auditor Morgan Elkins, Bob Rhoads, Danielle Isbell, Josie Thompson, Bob Murray, Patrece Dayton, Kevin Gardner, Vicki Weger, Bill Watson, Brian Dehart, Jordynne Shelton, Kara Wright, Judy DeLisle, Chris Eldridge, Diana Smith, Bruce Allen, Vicki Albright, Mandy Bales, Amy Jones, Andrea Moeller, Norm Loudermilk, Loretta Nicoson, Larry Robbins, Holly Hooper, three members of the public, WTHI-TV.

**Pledge of Allegiance.** Mark Clinkenbeard called the meeting to order at 9:00a.m.

**Review of minutes/claims.** Auditor Larry Hutchings presented the Board with the minutes for the meeting from March 25<sup>th</sup> 2025 for approval. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025 minutes as presented. Mike Morris seconded the motion. With a voice vote of 2-0 the motion was passed.

The Claims docket for the period of March 21, 2025 through March 28, 2025 in the amount of \$1,634,775.83 was then presented to the Board. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the claims docket dated March 21, 2025 through March 28, 2025 in the amount of \$1,634,775.83. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. With a vocal vote of 2-0, the motion passed.

The Claims docket for the period of March 28, 2025 through April 4, 2025 in the amount of \$752,050.22 was then presented to the Board. Chris Switzer made a motion to approve the claims docket dated March 28, 2025 through April 4, 2025 in the amount of \$752,050.22. Mike Morris seconded the motion. With a vocal vote of 2-0, the motion passed.

The Payroll docket for the period of March 14, 2025 through March 28, 2025 in the amount of \$1,425,921.86 was then presented to the Board. Mike Morris made a motion to approve the payroll docket dated March 14, 2025 through March 28, 2025 in the amount of \$1,425,921.86. Chris Switzer seconded the motion. With a vocal vote of 2-0, the motion passed.

### **Update on Tax Sale**

Amy Jones with the Auditor's Office gave a brief update on the in-person Tax Certificate Sale held April 1<sup>st</sup>. Amy said 631 parcels were offered for sale and 376 parcels were sold. She said there were 97 registered bidders present at the sale. Auditor Larry Hutchings said there are 120 days for the original property owners to pay their debt. He said total income from the sale would be known after the 120 days. Amy said the next tax sale would be September 16-18 and it would be online.

### **Public Comments**

Patrece Dayton approached the Board to introduce herself as the newest representative of Thrive West Central. She explained she would be working with local government officials in the seven counties Thrive serves in her new role. She said the 2025 Housing Summit would be September 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at the Terre

Haute Convention Center. She said lenders, borrowers, developers, and government officials from all seven counties would be invited.


**Comments or other business from Commissioners or other Elected Officials.**


Mike Morris noted there were washouts on area roadways due to extreme rain over the past couple of weeks.


Chris Switzer said he had been working at the statehouse with legislators and said there was proposed legislation that would get rid of personal business property tax and would impact the lose the county \$3 million a year. He urged department heads to contact state legislators.

He noted there was an EF1 tornado confirmed in New Goshen and discussed helping those in need. He commended County officials assisting with cleanup after storm damage.


The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 a.m.

  
Mark Clinkenbeard

  
Chris Switzer

  
Mike Morris

Attest:

  
Larry T. Hutchings II, Auditor