



Board of Commissioners of the County of Allen

Council Chambers Courtroom - Citizens Square
200 East Berry St., Suite 035, Fort Wayne IN 46802

April 3, 2026, Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER : The legislative session was called to order at 10 AM by Commissioner Richard E. Beck. Commissioner Ronald W. Turpin and Therese M. Brown were also present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:

3.a. Consideration of the minutes of the March 13, 2026 , legislative session.

Ronald Turpin made a motion of Approval, seconded by Therese Brown. Motion passed 3-0.

3.b. Consideration of REZ-2026-0016 to rezone 69.233 acres in St Joseph Township from R1/Single-Family Residential and A1/Agricultural to R1/Single-Family Residential to permit a single-family residential plat by Zion Real Estate & Development.

Allen County DPS Planner Karen Couture presented a petition by Zion Real Estate to construct 387 single-family residences on a plot in St. Joseph Township. This pocket neighborhood received a 7-0 Do Pass recommendation from plan commission, at which time four citizens spoke with questions on drainage. A total of 331 residences is to be constructed west of an open ditch, with the remaining 56 to be built east of the ditch. These concerns were addressed by the developer.

Therese Brown made a motion of Approval, seconded by Ronald Turpin. Motion carried 3-0.

3.c. Consideration of 2022 traffic striping contract extension #4 to Three Rivers Barricade Inc. for the 2026 traffic striping Project AC #0002726.

Allen County Highway Director Bill Hartman requested approval of a contract amendment with Three Rivers Barricade to apply nearly 1,000 miles of striping on hard surface roads throughout the county. The extension will have the same unit prices as the original contract in 2022.

It was explained that striping cannot be done until the temperatures are consistently at 60 degrees or above, and with low humidity.

Ronald Turpin made a motion of Approval, seconded by Therese Brown. Motion passed 3-0.

3.d. Consideration of unofficial detour from Halter to St. Joe Rd, Mayhew Rd, N Clinton St and back to SR1 for an InDOT bridge deck overlay project.

Allen County Highway Director Bill Hartman explained that InDOT projects must be formally detoured on state roads. However, when a shorter and more desirable detour route is designated unofficially, the state will reimburse for any wear or damage on the county roads due to increased traffic during the construction period.

Ronald Turpin made a motion of Approval, seconded by Therese Brown. Motion passed 3-0.

3.e. Consideration of Warranty Deed for Winchester Rd AC#0004923.

Therese Brown made a motion of Approval, seconded by Ronald Turpin. Motion carried 3-0.

4. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

5. APPROVAL TO WAIVE THE 2ND READING ON ANY MATTER FOR WHICH IT MAY BE DEEMED NECESSARY FOR TODAY'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

Therese Brown made a motion of Approval, seconded by Ronald Turpin. Motion carried 3-0.

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

7. MOTION TO ADJOURN: With no other business to consider, the meeting was adjourned at 10:14 AM.

These Minutes were approved as distributed at the Legislative Session on _____.

_____, Richard E. Beck Jr

_____, Therese M. Brown

_____, Ronald W. Turpin

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