

## COMMISSIONER MEETING

NOVEMBER 20, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present are Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, Steve Metzger, County Attorney Greg Heller and Auditor Christina Sriver.

**ROCHESTER DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP** – The Downtown Christmas Stroll was discussed with the emergency plan and itinerary presented. Commissioners approve plan including use of electricity at courthouse previously discussed with County Maintenance.

**CLERK** – Teri Furnival presented Corporate Authorization Resolution for opening an account with First Federal Savings Bank. Steve motioned for approval, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

### Corporate Authorization Resolution

First Federal Savings Bank  
PO Box 527  
301 E 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
Rochester, IN 46975-0000  
574-223-2128

By: Fulton County Government

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I, Teri Furnival, certify that I am Secretary (clerk) of the above named Corporation organized under the laws of IN, Federal Employer I.D. Number 35-6000147, engaged in business under the trade name of Fulton County Government – Clerk meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation duly and properly called and held on

**CORONER** – Jeri Good reviewed the monthly report.

**SHERIFF** – Chris Sailors presented contracts for Commissioner’s review to cover ongoing issues at the jail including a contract for Hermann and Goetz for exhaust fans; Commissioner’s approve the contract go to Council. Sheriff Sailors discussed the new program for drug recovery. The program will include one meeting per week. The Mental Health Addiction Task Force that is handling the Celebrate Recovery program has been meeting to get the program running. Rick will ask Council tomorrow for an appointment to the Jail Committee.

**HIGHWAY** – John Geier presented Permit #17-25 for a road cut for a tile on 300 S between 500 W – 575 W. Rick motioned to approve, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Steve motioned to accept all bids for 2018 stone and gravel, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. John discussed leaf pick-up. With Commissioner approval he would like to ask Council for permission to purchase a sander, welder and traffic counter; Commissioners give approval. He is waiting for a reply for Federal Aid with a 20% match. It would cover the bridge on Old 31 and the bridge at Camp Shohola. John got calls concerning calls on private property and announced that anyone missing signs are welcome to pick them up at the highway garage.

**SPEED LIMIT ORDINANCES** – Steve motioned to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 11-06-2017 by title only, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read the ordinance aloud.

BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Ordinance 11062017

An ordinance establishing speed limits on North Prairie Wood Drive, in Zellers Woods Addition, Rochester Township.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of North Prairie Wood Drive as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that the Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

SPEED ZONE FOR NORTH PRAIRIE WOOD DRIVE

Twenty miles per hour (20 MPH) speed zone on South Prairie Wood Drive starting at County Road 100 N. and continuing through to County Road 100 N. 1,708 feet (one thousand seven hundred eight feet), then ending speed zone.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.  
Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

Rick motioned to approve the ordinance, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

Steve motioned to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 11-06-2017A, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.  
Bryan read the ordinance aloud.

BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Ordinance 11062017A

An ordinance establishing speed limits on North Prairie Wood Drive, in Zellers Woods Addition, Rochester Township.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of North Prairie Wood Drive as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that the Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

SPEED ZONE FOR NORTH PRAIRIE WOOD DRIVE

Twenty miles per hour (20 MPH) speed zone on North Prairie Wood Drive starting at County Road 100 N. and continuing through to County Road 100 N. 1,952 feet (one thousand nine hundred fifty-two feet), then ending speed zone.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.  
Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

Rick motioned to approve the ordinance, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

Steve motioned to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 11-06-2017B. Bryan read the ordinance aloud.

BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Ordinance Number 11062017B

An ordinance establishing speed limits on County Road 100 North, Rochester Township.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of County Road 100 North as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that the Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

SPEED ZONE FOR COUNTY ROAD 100 NORTH

Forty miles per hour (40 MPH) speed zone on County Road 100 North starting as US 31 and continuing through to County Road 100 West, 5,800 feet (five thousand eight hundred feet), then ending speed zone.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.  
Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

Rick motioned to approve the ordinance, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

Steve motioned to suspend the rules and read Ordinance 11-06-2017C, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.  
Bryan read the ordinance aloud.

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Ordinance Number 11062017C

An ordinance establishing speed limits in the Shorewood Estates Addition, including the roads Bob White Court, Owl Drive, and Pheasant Court, Rochester Township.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of Shorewood Estates Addition as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that the Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

**SPEED ZONE FOR SHOREWOOD ESTATES ADDITION, INCLUDING BOB WHITE COURT, OWL DRIVE AND PHEASANT COURT**

Twenty miles per hour (20 MPH) speed zone in Shorewood Estates Addition. Starting at the intersection of County Road 100 North and continuing through and including all of Bob White Court, Owl Drive and Pheasant Court 2,954 feet (two thousand nine hundred fifty-four feet), then ending speed zone.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.  
Adopted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2017.

Rick motioned to approve the ordinance, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

**E-911/COMMUNICATIONS** – Gail Karas announced the new radio consoles are in place and are doing testing currently. The grounding for the tower at the jail is pending installation with regard to weather. It takes a minimum of 8-9 weeks to train an employee. With two adjacent county's wages being higher than Fulton County, she is becoming a training facility. She will be meeting with Dr. Mann on Wednesday and anticipates recommending him to aid in the EMD Protocols. An application for the Spillman contract has been completed and approved. Gail discussed equipment needed for the mobile units, which are included in the contract.

**FUNDING AGREEMENT** – A funding agreement for 2017 for Crime Stoppers was presented. Rick motioned for approval, seconded by Steve; passed 3-0.

**CLAIMS** – Approved as presented.

11/15/2017	LIT Distribution	\$482,199.92
11/20/2017	Misc. Claims	\$305,536.92

**TRANSFERS** – Approved as presented.

Fund	Department	From Account	To Account	Amount
County General	Commissioners	Bldg. & Other Insurance	TB Patients	\$367.60
To pay for TB tests.				
E911	E911	Contracts	Equipment	\$1,860.00
Short in the equipment fund due to replacing equipment on the tower earlier in the year. Payment of new radio consoles is due on the lease to Community State Bank.				
			Telecommunications	\$3,500
		Dispatcher	OASDI	\$1,500.00
		Reimbursement:	PERF	\$2,000
E911	E911	\$7,100	Dental Insurance	\$100.00
Moving money to finish out end of year payroll.				
Motor Vehicle		Drainage		
Highway	Highway	Assessment	Rental Equipment	\$1,264.00
To finish paying for the rental on Central Paving Absco machine.				

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS** – Approved as presented.

Department	Fund	For	Amount
Sheriff	Cum Cap Dev.	Garage & Motor	\$2,590
To use reimbursement money from insurance company and additional money for repairs to vehicle (2013 Ford Explorer). Barry motioned to approve, seconded by Randy; passed 6-0			

**NEW BUSINESS** – Rick questioned if insurance sign-ups are complete, it was answered in the affirmative. After the first of the year additionally elected life insurance will be offered.

**OLD BUSINESS** – Commissioner Lewis asked that all participants be respectful. He read a prepared statement aloud summarizing his feelings about the proposed wind farm and recommended ordinance amendments. Rick motioned for the commercial wind farm be removed from the Zoning Ordinance, Bryan seconded. Statements were taken from the audience:

Pat Brown from Fulton thanked the Commissioners for their patience and realizing it's not just about money.

Rebecca VanHorn stated that the wind farm in Tipton County just slipped in as they are in Miami and Cass County currently.

Dana Field thanked the Commissioners for considering the people that are being affected.

Joann Nault (Whitley County) suggested to Commissioners that they don't leave themselves open and large WECs systems are not to be allowed.

Aaron Nault thanked the Commissioners for putting the citizens before the wind farm companies. The Fulton County Property Rights Group will continue to fight for protection for the citizens and he has brought a copy of recommendations for the Commissioners.

John Ripple thanked Commissioners for keeping wind mills out of Fulton County and hopes to do the same for Miami County.

Chuck Shane stated that he was sick over the thought (of the wind farm) and thanked Commissioners.

Russell Philips brought a stack of petitions of landowners who requested a minimum setback of 2,640 feet from commercial WECs towers with about 800 signatures.

Shannon Pugh asked for Fulton County construction workers to stand; he stated that Fulton County is running out of good-paying jobs.

An anonymous speaker stated that the farming is at an all-time low and the farmers need help. The cost outweighs the benefits of the wind farms and Commissioners made the right decision.

Becky Mahoney (from Miami County) stated that if Fulton County approved the wind farms and it went through in Miami County that she would've had to move and thanks Commissioners for their decision.

Brian stated that the Commissioners still have a lot of work to do considering the zoning ordinance. Greg stated that the Area Plan Commission will have 45 days to act on the plan as the Commissioners will be submitting it. The ordinance recommendations are passed 2-0.

**RECESS** – Rick motioned to recess at 7:23 p.m., Bryan seconded; passed 2-0.