Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
June 16, 2026
10:00 AM

Present: Commissioner Drew Storey and Commissioner Andrew Stauffer

Absent: Commissioner Drew Markel

Commissioner Storey called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited, followed by a moment of silence.

Approval of Minutes
A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from June 2, 2026, was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer. The motion carried (2-0).

Payroll and Claims
- Payroll dated June 12, 2026, in the amount of $605,828.33 was approved. A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer. The motion carried (2-0).
- Claims dated June 16, 2026, in the amount of $507,115.47 were approved. A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer. The motion carried (2-0).

Reports from Other Committees
No reports were presented.

New Business

Waypoint Strategies/Capacity Project Management- Fairgrounds Grandstand Project
Dan Robinson, Capacity Project Management, and Audra Blaisdell, Waypoint Strategies, presented two Requests for Proposals (RFPs) related to the Fairgrounds Grandstand Project. They explained that the project approach had been revised from a design-build model to separate procurements for civil engineering/design services and construction management services. The revised approach was recommended to provide stronger focus on drainage and infrastructure needs while maintaining independent oversight of project planning and construction.

The presenters outlined the selection process, including formation of a stakeholder review committee and use of an evaluation rubric contained within the RFP documents. Minor revisions requested by County Attorney Susan Bevers would be incorporated prior to publication.

Storey acknowledged the collaboration between Waypoint Strategies, Capacity Project Management, and the Jackson County Fair Board in advancing the project and noted the importance of maintaining and expanding the usability of the fairground facilities.

A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer to approve publication of the RFPs with the noted revisions. The motion carried (2-0).

J.L. Brewer-Community Corrections
Brewer appeared on behalf of the Jackson County Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC) and presented a recommendation that opioid settlement funds be awarded to 180 Recovery Community

Organization in the amount of $86,000. The recommendation was first approved by the JRAC grant committee and subsequently endorsed by the full JRAC board. The funds will support peer recovery services within Jackson County.

A motion supporting the JRAC recommendation was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer. The motion carried (2-0).

Brewer also requested that the Sam's Club credit card account utilized by Community Corrections be paid through the utility claims process to avoid late payment issues resulting from the billing cycle.

A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer to allow the Sam's Club credit card account to be processed through utility claims. The motion carried (2-0).

Karla Hubbard – Jackson County Health Department
Hubbard presented a contract between the Jackson County Health Department and the Boys & Girls Club serving Seymour and Brownstown for the Triple Play Program, funded through Health First Indiana. Hubbard reported that County Attorney Susan Bevers had reviewed and approved the contract and that all public notice requirements had been met.

A motion to execute the contract was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer. The motion carried (2-0).

Old Business

Bridge 351 Engineering Contract and Weight Restriction Update
Storey requested an update regarding the engineering contract for Bridge 351. Bevers reported that the revised contract had been received from United Consulting following requested modifications and was ready for execution. Bevers presented a hard copy of the contract. Storey signed the contract on behalf of the Commissioners.

Storey further reported that he had met with representatives of the East End Industrial Park regarding concerns about the bridge's current 21-ton weight restriction. He advised that discussions were underway with INDOT regarding the possibility of restricting use of one traffic lane as a temporary measure to permit removal of the current weight limit. Storey noted that any temporary restriction would likely require permanent-style barriers and potentially a related ordinance.

Miscellaneous Business

Daulton Anderson - Jackson County Building Commissioner
No report.

Jerry Ault- Highway Superintendent
No report.

Sheriff Rick Meyer

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Sheriff Meyer requested approval to present retiring Deputy Chris Everhart with his service weapon upon retirement.

A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer to authorize Deputy Chris Everhart to receive his service weapon upon retirement. The motion carried (2-0).

Jeff Hubbard – Human Resources
Reported that the SIHO Insurance quarterly meeting is upcoming and that the presence of a commissioner was requested. Storey agreed that he would work with the meeting schedule and attend if available.

Auditor Melissa Gray
Presented the May 2026 Treasurer's Report.

She reported that the State Board of Accounts audit was progressing well and was expected to conclude within the next several days, with an exit conference anticipated during the second week of July.

She also presented a request from the Sheriff's Department to allow its ADP timekeeping and payroll system invoice to be paid through the utility claims process due to short payment deadlines imposed by the vendor.

A motion was made by Storey and seconded by Stauffer to allow ADP invoices for the Sheriff's Department to be paid through utility claims. The motion carried (2-0).

Susan Bevers – County Attorney
No report.

The Commissioners confirmed their next meeting will be held on **July 7, 2026, at 9:00 AM**.

Seeing no further business, the Commissioners recessed until July 7, 2026, at 9:00 AM.

Signed this 7th day of July 2026.

Andrew Stauffer

Drew Markel

Drew Storey

Melissa Gray - Attest