The Board met in due form with the following members present: Michael Repay Jerry Tippy and Kyle W. Allen, Sr. They passed the following orders, to wit:

The Pledge was given followed by a Moment of Silence. Roll Call reflected all three Commissioners present and accounted for.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was emailed by Rose Koliboski/Heather Rodziewicz to NWI Times and Chicago-Tribune Newspapers on the 3rd day of September, 2025 at about 3:13 p.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 3rd day of September, 2025 at about 3:13 p.m.

Public Virtual Conference: WebEx Meeting ID: 263 1677 7877 Password: commissioners

Order #1 Agenda #2

In the Matter of Additions, Deletions, Corrections: 2.1 – 2.24: Amendment to Agenda: Listed below.

Allen made a motion in omnibus form, seconded by Tippy, to amend and approve the Agenda as amended, additions deletions and/or corrections listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

2.1 **ADDITION: ELECTIONS: (Item #9.4)**: Request for Property Disposal
2.2 **ADDITION: COMMISSIONERS (Item #8.41)**.: Annual Service Provider Contract for the period of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026 from Johnson Controls, Inc.
2.3 **ADDITION: COMMISSIONERS: (Item #8.46)**: Legal Services Proposal with Barnes & Thornburg TIF matters.
2.4 **ADDITION: COMMISSIONERS**: **(Item #8.47)**: Recommend and approve First Amendment to Interconnection Agreement with NIPSCO for electrical upgrades including installation of a recloser for the Solar Array Installation Project in the amount of $120,000.00 to be paid in two installments, with 50% ($60,000.00) to be paid by September 30, 2025 and the remaining 50% to be paid after completion.
2.5 **ADDITION: COMMISSIONERS (Item #8.52)**.: Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the River Forest Community School Corp. and Lake County, IN for Equipment and Improvements for River Forest High School Athletics' in Hobart Township in the amount of $39,048.88.
2.6 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY (ITEM #8.42):** Engineering Services agreement with DLZ Indiana, LLC, for the replacement of Lake County Bridge No. 261, 213th Avenue over Hart Ditch in an amount not to exceed $594,620.00.
2.7 **ADDITION: HEALTH (ITEM #8.43):** Contract with Franciscan Health for Epic Health Connect for an electronic health record. Twelve (12) week implementation cost in the amount of $14,550.00 and annual maintenance fee of $8,051.00.
2.8 **ADDITION: HEALTH (ITEM #8.44):** Contract with Ash Wittmer LLC in the amount of $47,400.00 for Marketing and Social Media Management Strategy Services for the years 2025 and 2026.
2.9 **CORRECTION: HEALTH (ITEM #8.45):** Contract with Mental Health America NWI in the amount of $14,250.00 for additional infant safe sleep equipment and supplies for the year of 2025. This contract was approved at the August 20, 2025 meeting, Item #8.46, in the amount of $14,000.00. This needs to be approved for the corrected amount of $14,250.00.
2.10 **ADDITION: COUNCIL: (Item #11.1)** Ordinance 1511A Establishing a Per Diem for Lake County Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTABOA) members.
2.11 **ADDITION: COUNCIL: (Item #11.2)** Ordinance 1511B Establishing The Lake County Sheriff's Comprehensive Highway Injury Reduction Program (CHIRP) Grant Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund.
2.12 **ADDITION: COUNCIL: (Item #11.3)** Ordinance 1511C Approving an Additional Appropriation by the Crown Point Community Library from its Rainy-Day Fund, Fund 201; Library Improvement Reserve Fund, Fund 400; and Excess Welfare Distribution Fund, Fund 226, Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5.
2.13 **ADDITION: COUNCIL: (Item #11.4)** Ordinance 1511D Restricting the Hiring of New County Employees Until 9/30/2026.
2.14 **ADDITION: SUPERIOR COURT** (ITEM #9.5)**:** Request for Property Disposal
2.15 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.48):** Utility NIPSCO; Location: US 231 and Cline Avenue, Roundabout Project; Work Order # 4000061110.
2.16 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.49):** Road Cut Agreement; NIPSCO; Location: US 231 and Cline Avenue, Roundabout Project; Work Order # 4000061110.
2.17 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.50):** Concurrence for Temporary use of County Roads; Crossing US 231 and Cline Avenue for NIPSCO Utility Relocations.
2.18 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.51):** Change Order #1 to the 2025 Bituminous Materials for Roadway Patching Bridge and Deck Overlay, Delivered and Applied; amount Not To Exceed $9,400.00.
2.19 **ADDITION: JUVENILE COURT (**ITEM #8.51): Recommend and approve purchase of safety padding for isolation rook in the amount of $6,930.00 to Marathon Engineering Corporation.
2.20 **ADDITION: COMMISSIONERS (ITEM #16.1):** Letter from SMNG A, Ltd. memorializing the recommendation made and approved by the Board Of Commissioners at the August 2025 Board Meeting to accept the quote from Applied GeoScience for geotechnical investigations at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Fine Arts Building.
2.21 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.53):** Work Directive Change Form No. 13 Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Program Construction Project 1 – Package A; Change Order Amount **$32,900.00.**
2.22 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.54):** Supplement No. 2 Clark Street Culvert Replacement; Wetland Delineation increase of $**11,000.00**; total contract amount **$177,350.00.**
2.23 **ADDITION: HIGHWAY: (ITEM#8.55):** Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Project, Construction Project 1 – Package A; Work Directive Change No. 11; Change Order Amount **$222,563.00.**
2.24 **ADDITION: COUNCIL: (Item #11.5)** Ordinance 1511D-1 Amending the Ordinance Restricting the Hiring of New County Employees until 9/30/26, Ordinance No. 1511A.

Order #2 Agenda #3

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendor Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.1 – 3.6: Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to open all vendor responses to requests for bids and quotes, Agenda items 3.1 – 3.6, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

3.1 Sanitary Sewer Collection and Conveyance Project for West Point Acres Subdivision
3.2 UPS Cooling Room Project
3.3 NG9-1-1 Call Handling/Processing System
3.4 The Lake County Fuel Island Improvement Project
3.5 Repairs on Lake County Bridge #197, Ridge Road over EJ&E Railroad
3.6 Buckhill Estates Third and Fifth Additions Storm Sewer Rehabilitation

Order #3 Agenda #4

In the Matter of Approval Of Minutes From Prior Meetings: 4.1 Regular Meeting August 20, 2025.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 20, 2025. Motion carried 4-0.

Order #4 Agenda #5

In the Matter of Approve Specifications For Bids: 5.1 Data: Approve Specifications for IBM Compatible Personal Computers. Bids to be returned to the Lake County Auditor's Office by Wednesday, October 15, 2025 no later than 9:30 a.m.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 5.1, on behalf of Data, Specifications for IBM Compatible Personal Computers, to be advertised, bids to be returned to the Lake County Auditor's Office by Wednesday, October 15, 2025 no later than 9:30 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #5 Agenda #7

In the Matter of Public Selection Of At Least Three Vendors From Whom To Seek Quotes: Approval Of Specification For Seeking Proposals, Select The Vendors, And Set The Return Date: 7.1 Elections: The Lake County Board of Elections and Registration request to seek proposals for moving the voting machines for the November 4, 2025 Special Election. We are seeking proposals from Feree Movers, Bill's Movers and Two Men and a Truck.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the seeking of proposals, on behalf of Board of Elections and Registration, from Feree Movers, Bill's Movers and Two Men and a Truck, for the Moving of Voting Machines for the November 4, 2025 Special Election. (Repay: Special Election for both Hanover and Lake Central Schools) (LCBOE Director: Sealed responses due no later than 9 a.m. on Wednesday, October 15, 2025) Motion carried 3-0.

Order #6 Agenda #8.1

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.1 Assessor: The Legal Service Agreement that was in place for 2025 with Kopka Pinkus Dolin, PC, has been terminated. A new Legal Service Agreement has been entered with Ricardo Hall at Quintairos, Prieto, Wood & Boyer. P.A., for $7,500 monthly August 11, 2025 thru December 31, 2025.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.1, on behalf of Assessor, Legal Service Agreement with Ricardo Hall at Quintairos, Prieto, Wood & Boyer. P.A., for $7,500 monthly August 11, 2025 thru December 31, 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #7 Agenda #8.2-8.3

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.2 E-911: Renewal of O365 Contract through Trust Tech in the amount of $924 per month; 8.2 E-911: Contract with ATT for one FatPipe WAN Edge device for internet redundancy at the monthly cost of $370.82.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.2 and 8.3, on behalf of E-911, Renewal of O365 Contract through Trust Tech in the amount of $924 per month and Contract with ATT for one FatPipe WAN Edge device for internet redundancy at the monthly cost of $370.82. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #8 Agenda #8.4

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.4 Plan Commission: Recommend and Approve Professional Engineering Services Related to Assistance with Floodplain Administration for Lake County. With Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD in an amount not to exceed $15,200.00 for 2025.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.4, on behalf of Plan Commission, Professional Engineering Services Related to Assistance with Floodplain Administration for Lake County. With Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LTD in an amount not to exceed $15,200.00 for 2025. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #9 Agenda #8.5-8.14

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.5 – 8.14 Highway: Contracts: Listed below.

Allen made a motion, in omnibus form, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.5 – 8.14, on behalf of Highway, primarily Road Cuts and Utility Agreements, per Allen, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

8.5 **Highway**: Utility Surf Internet; Location: Torrence Street, Sheffield Avenue, W 84th Court, 85th Court, Towle Street, 85th Place, Henry Street, Beall Street, 86th Court, 87th Avenue, 86th Place, 88th Avenue, 90th Court, 90th Avenue, 91st Avenue, 90th Place, 93rd Avenue; Project # DYERIN01.SA17

8.6 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement Surf Internet; Location Torrence Street, Sheffield Avenue, W 84th Court, 85th Court, Towle Street, 85th Place, Henry Street, Beall Street, 86th Court, 87th Avenue, 86th Place, 88th Avenue, 90th Court, 90th Avenue, 91st Avenue, 90th Place, 93rd Avenue; Project #DYERIN01.SA17

8.7 **Highway**: Utility Surf Internet; Location: Sheffield Avenue, W 95th Avenue, Henry Street, Beall Street, Calumet Street, Torrence Place, 94th Place, W 96th Avenue; Project # DYERIN01.SA18

8.8 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement; Surf Internet; Location: Sheffield Avenue, W 95th Avenue, Henry Street, Beall Street, Calumet Street, Torrence Place, 94th Place, W 96th Avenue; Project #DYERIN01.SA18

8.9 **Highway**: Utility Surf Internet; Location: Sheffield Avenue, 98th Avenue, Wabash Street, 98th Place, W 101st Avenue, Keritzburg Street, 97th Court, Hohman Street, 97th Lane, and Gettler Street; Project #DYERIN01.SA19

8.10 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement, Surf Internet; Location: Sheffield Avenue, 98th Avenue, Wabash Street, 98th Place, W 101st Avenue, Kreitzburg Street, 97th Court, Hohman Street, 97th Lane, Gettler Street; Project # DYERIN01.SA19

8.11 **Highway**: Lake Countywide Bridge Inspection Inventory Program in accordance with National Bridge Inspection Standards for Cycle Years 2026 through 2029. The Agreement with American Structurepoint is Not to Exceed $880,055.72. This Agreement is part of a Federal Aid Project in which Lake County will be reimbursed 80% of the total contract amount that will be $704,044.58, local match will be $176,011.14.

8.12 **Highway**: Extension of Contract for Day's Construction Services for Annual Crack Seal for Calendar Year 2026 at the same terms and conditions as the 2025 Contract.

8.13 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement, Surf Internet; Location: 157th Avenue, 173rd Avenue, Hancock Street, Warrick Street, Utah Street, Colorado Street, Frontage Road 181st Place in Eagle Creek Township, Grant Boulevard, Elkhart Street, 142nd Place in Winfield Township, 139th Avenue, 145th Avenue, and Arizona Street in Center Township; Project # HBRNIN01.SA03

Order #9 Agenda #8.5-8.14

8.14 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement, Surf Internet; Location: 163rd Avenue, 153rd, 159th, 145th Avenue, 141st Avenue, 137th Avenue, 154th Court, 155th Place, Chase, Delaware Street, Georgia Street, Broadway Street, Twin Lakes Estates, Silverleaf Estates, Chestnut Acres, Woodke Acres in Cedar Creek Township; Project # HBRNIN01.SA02

Order #10 Agenda #8.15

In the Matter of <u>Action To Form Contracts: 8.15 Highway: Recommendation of Award for Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Project, Construction Project No. 1 – Administraton, Operations and Maintenance; VS Engineering and Lake County Highway recommends Award to the lowest and most responsive vendor, Astbury Water Technology, Inc.</u>

Comes now, Highway Engineer, Duane Alverson, spoke on agenda item 8.15, stated Highway is recommending award to Astbury, $11,250.00 is an annual cost, and once Highway enters into the Contract negotiations they have offered some savings if the Contract goes into an extended contract to a 3-year or a 5-year contract, which can be discussed at the contractual stage, Allen asked Alverson for the amount again, Alverson explained, the annual cost that they're recommending award right now is $11,250.00 per month, Tippy asked is this the Company we would bring on to run our utility in Calumet Township, Alverson, responded, that's correct, Repay spoke, "manage the pump station, operate…", Alverson, continued, "the pump station, the maintenance of the pump station, the billing, and it's entirety, after some breakdowns, we've got unit cost to get contractors in there to make the repairs, but the monthly cost is $11,250.00", Fech, spoke, "that's for a 1-year contract, for a 3-year contract it would be $9,250, on the 5-year contract it's $8,750 is what they're offering", Alverson, "for an extended contract beyond the 1-year" Repay, spoke, asked, "you're recommending to us that we do a 1-year at this point?" Alverson, responded, "award, right now, in the annual amount of $11,250 and then once we get a contract from them or get into the contract negotiations, we can consider the extended", Tippy, asked, "how are they going to operate?, they're not going to be on-site right?", Alverson, replied, "a lot of the times, yes, because the lift station requires some daily/monthly/weekly", Tippy, continued, "but they won't be out there, they won't be resident on-site", Repay, replied, "they'll visit the site, they'll have to visit the site daily", Alverson, commented, "yes, the lift station, I think they have to go to everyday or every week, but they're going to be on-site quite a bit", Repay, "but not like with an Office necessarily", Alverson, "no", Repay, "somewhat similar to Hermit's Lake, but obviously on a much larger scale", end discussion.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 8.15, on behalf of Highway, awarding Astbury Water Technology, the lowest and most responsive bidder for Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Project, Construction Project No. 1 – Administraton, Operations and Maintenance in the amount of $11,250/mo for one (1) year, annual cost.Motion carried 3-0.

8.15 Letter of Recommendation: PDF 24_HIGHWAY_Recommend_of_Award_f

Order #11 Re-Visit Agenda #8.12

In the Matter of <u>Action To Form Contracts: 8.12 Highway: Extension of Contract for Day's Construction Services for Annual Crack Seal for Calendar Year 2026 at the same terms and conditions as the 2025 Contract.</u>

Comes now, President Repay, called for a motion to re-consider 8.12, this item was deferred and was put back on the Agenda, should not have gone back on Agenda, it should've been, no action and died.

Comes now, Attorney Fech, recommended Commissioner Allen to rescind is motion to approve item 8.12 and then the Board can take a vote on that.

Allen made a motion to rescind my vote for 8.12, Tippy seconded the motion to rescind. Motion carried 3-0.
(Per President Repay, now it (8.12) has no vote and dies for lack of a vote)

Order #12 Agenda #8.16-8.30

In the Matter of <u>Action To Form Contracts: 8.16 – 8.30 Highway: Contracts: Listed below.</u>

Allen made a motion, in an omnibus form, to approve 8.16 – 8.30, Tippy seconded with discussion, asked, Mr. Alverson, "on item 8.23 where we are awarding Homer Tree Services to remove trees in the Heather Hills Subdivision, this is the second time we've gone through removing trees, because they're causing sidewalks to upheaval, are we going to re-plant trees?", Alverson, replied, "yes…we're working on getting some trees that would work good for replanting in those parkways and then we'll get proposals to replant, those trees", Tippy, asked, "when you say "work good" you mean trees where the roots won't tear up the sidewalks in the future?", Alverson, replied, "yes, that's correct", Tippy, asked, "and is it on your opinion, that those sidewalks were torn up, due to the trees that are currently there?", Alverson, replied, "yes, the majority of them yes, the sidewalks have been damaged or lifted up because of a tree root", end discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

8.16 **Highway**: Recommendation of <u>Award and Contract</u> for the Driveway Culvert Extension and Restoration of 45th Avenue Phase 2B, 3325 W. 45th Avenue; Lake County Highway Department recommends <u>Award and Contract</u> to the lowest and most responsive bidder, Grimmer Construction Company, in the amount not to exceed $17,900.00
8.17 **Highway**: Recommendation of <u>Award and Contract</u> for the Removal and Replacement of Concrete Sidewalk in Heather Hills Subdivision, Phase 2; Lake County Highway Department recommends <u>Awards and Approval of the Contract</u> to the lowest and most responsive bidder, J & J Newell Concrete Contractors, Inc. in the amount not to exceed $420,883.00
8.18 **Highway**: Utility NIPSCO; 15009 W 81st Avenue Dyer, IN 46311; Site ID # 129-843-104
8.19 **Highway**: Utility IMEG Corp.; 7011 176th Avenue Lowell, IN 46356; Project #24004941
8.20 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement; IMEG Corp; 7011 176th Avenue Lowell, IN 46356; Project #24004941
8.21 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement; NIPSCO; 15009 W 81ST Avenue Dyer, IN 46311; Site ID #129-843-104
8.22 **Highway**: Utility NIPSCO; Cline and 124th (nearest address: 7828 W 124th Avenue Crown Point, IN 46307)
8.23 **Highway**: Recommendation of <u>Award and Contract</u> for Heather Hills Phase 2, Lake County Tree Removal; Lake County Highway recommends <u>Award and Contract</u> to the lowest and most responsive bidder, Homer Tree Services Inc., in the amount not to exceed $73,120.00.
8.24 **Highway**: Utility IMEG; Location: 1085 N Lakeview Drive Lowell, IN 46356; Project #405493
8.25 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement; IMEG; Location: 1085 N Lakeview Drive Lowell, IN 46356; Project #405493
8.26 **Highway**: Utility Surf Internet; Location: 157th Avenue, 173rd Avenue, Hancock Street, Warrick Street, Utah Street, Colorado Street, Frontage Road 181st Place in Eagle Creek Township, Grant Boulevard, Elkhart Street, 142nd Place in Winfield Township, 139th Avenue, 145th Avenue, and Arizona Street in Center Township; Project # HBRNIN01.SA03
8.27 **Highway**: Road Cut, Surf Internet Project # HBRN1N01.SA01. Cedar Creek Township. Request to Bore and Plow in Public Right of Way as part of a Fiber to the Home Project.
8.28 **Highway**: Surf Internet Utility Agreement. Cedar Creek Township Project # HBRN1N01.SA01
8.29 **Highway**: Surf Internet Utility Agreement. Cedar Creek Township Project # HBRN1N01.SA02

Order #12 Agenda #8.16-8.30 cont'd

8.30 **Highway**: Task Order 7: General Service Agreement Between Board of Commissioners and Lochmueller Group, Inc. in an Amount not to exceed $22,500.00; Task 1-Plan Review proposed Family Express at 109th Avenue and US 41, St. John Indiana in the amount of $4,000; Task 2-Greensward Subdivision Traffic Impact Study in the amount of $18,500.

Order #13 Agenda #8.31

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.31 Commissioners: Rescind Agenda Item 8.66 from the August 2025 Agenda approving 2025 Annual Service Contract with Altorfer Power Systems in the amount of $47,505.00 (This was approved at the December 2024 meeting).

Allen made a motion to rescind second approval of Agenda Item 8.66 from the August 2025 Agenda, 2025 Annual Service Contract with Altorfer Power Systems in the amount of $47,505.00 was approved at the December 2024 meeting, Tippy seconded the motion to rescind. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #14 Agenda #8.32

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.32 Surveyor: Award and Contract with Bill's Movers to move 24 file cabinets from DVG, 115 Troutwine Road Crown Point, to the LC Surveyors Office. Bill's Movers quote is $1,250.00 and Safe Ship is at $2,600.63. We would like to hire Bill's Movers as the lowest bid and most responsive to our time frame.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve hiring of Bill's Movers as the lowest and most responsive quote response for the moving of 24 file cabinets from DVG at 115 Troutwine Road Crown Point to the Surveyor's Office 2293 N Main Street Crown Point in the amount of $1,250.00, on behalf of Surveyor. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #15 Agenda #8.33

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.33 Sheriff: Renewal of Tip411 Citizen Observer subscription. The 15-month term subscription will start on 10-01-2025 and go through 12-31-26 for a total price of $6,300.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve renewal of Tip411 Citizen Observer subscription, a 15-month term subscription will start on 10-01-2025 and go through 12-31-26 for a total price of $6,300.00, on behalf of Sheriff. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #16 Agenda #8.34

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.34 Sheriff: Renewal of TransUnion subscription for TLOxp Online. This is a 12-month subscription that starts on 09-01-2025 through 08-31-2026. At a cost of $680.00 monthly and an annual cost of $8,160.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve renewal of TransUnion subscription for TLOxp Online for a 12-month subscription that starts on 09-01-2025 through 08-31-2026 at a cost of $680.00 monthly and an annual cost of $8,160.00, on behalf of Sheriff. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #17 Agenda #8.35

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.35 Sheriff: Purchase of three patrol dogs and officer training from Ultimate Canine. The cost would be $28,935.00 per dog including training fee for a total of $86,805.00.

Comes now, President Repay, stated before a motion is made, he is in opposition to this".(agenda item 8.35), "purchase of three dogs, two dogs or one dog up until the point and time we can have a solid understanding of the risk related to our County taxpayers liability related to dog bites and police incidents and so for those reasons, I'm going to be a no vote on any police dogs at this point.

Comes now, Chief Balbo, Sheriff's Department, present/spoke, stated, "I just wanted to mention that, in the last year, the Lake County Sheriff's Department has completely redone it's K-9 Policy (next words inaudible, speaking from rear of courtroom), Balbo, continued, "the level of training and part of the purpose for this purchase from this vendor is because we understand the importance of the program but more importantly, the importance of using the animals out in the field and potential liability that it causes the Department (inaudible), this is a priority not something that we're just moving along with, this is something we've put a lot of time and attention to, to make sure that we're serving the Public (inaudible)", Repay spoke, "I guess the proof will be in the pudding if you….I'm not convinced, I've heard that before, not convinced, I've seen too many videos, I've seen too many videos, I've seen too many video of our Officers and our Dogs doing damage that's costing our taxpayers money, it's really costing all of us, it's costing the Sheriff's Department as well because we're going to have to pay out those claims as a result of poor management", Tippy, spoke, stated, "I tend to agree, the videos that we saw last week were, I know they were old, I think it might be a good idea to maybe show us, so that we have a level of comfort as to what these changes are and what you're doing, because those videos were disturbing, are you willing to give us some type of presentation", Balbo responded, (inaudible), Tippy continued, "I would like to see those revamped programs that you're talking about", Repay spoke, "I will tell you one thing, I've never seen a Sheriff's Officer, a Chief, Sheriff, or anybody in between at any one of the settlement conferences related to dog bites, we sit there, watch the video, have your Attorney and all these Attorney's tell us it's a bad case, it's a bad case, it's an Officer it's a dog it's a this, it's a that, never once anybody in the Administration say we're correcting this, Commissioners, we understand the stress and the liability of the taxpayers, we understand the stresses of the situation, and I mean this is not one this is several and from the liability perspective from fiduciary perspective from the constitutional perspective we have to feel comfortable that there's something changing and at one way to be comfortable about it is if one of the Officers or one of the Deputies or one of the Administrators would come to those things and say, this is what went wrong, this is what we're doing to correct it and this is why we're not going to be here again", Balbo spoke, "Well I can tell you that we've never, as long as I've been here, been invited to one of those conferences, I thing you know me, I think that I would have absolutely no hesitation to do it and it's about doing things better and again, I'd be more that happy to provide you with the new policy so you can take a look at the fact that we haven't just talked the talk, we're walking the walk, and not just something we do in a meeting, it's something that's actual put in the field, we put specific details or policy for our K9 Handlers relative to their training, relative to what we're doing (inaudible)", Tippy, spoke, "I think that's great that you're doing this, it's the first I'm hearing of it and I just, because of the magnitude of what we're dealing with on the liability end, I would just like to have some reassurance as to what that is, I guess what ever you could provide to us that you thing would give us that reassurance is what I would recommend and I would recommend that perhaps that be done in an administrative meeting of some sort that, where we can review everything and so I am going to make a motion to defer this item, based on having, or maybe the proper motion would be to table it, until we've determined that there's a satisfactory, that the policies and procedures have changed to our satisfaction, so I am going to make a motion to table this item, Allen seconded the motion to table. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #18 Agenda #8.36-8.39

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.36 Data: Maintenance Agreement with Dynamic Imaging System, Inc. in the amount $6,141.00 for the year 2026; 8.37 Data: Tri-Electronics Service Agreement for security cameras in Data Center in the annual amount of $1,950.00 to be paid quarterly in the amount of $487.50; 8.38 Data: Tri-Electronics Maintenance Agreement for security in the Data Center in the annual amount of $2,064.00 to be paid quarterly in the amount of $516.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 8.36 – 8.39 on behalf of Data, Contracts/Agreements as listed below. Motion carried 3-0.
8.36 Data: Maintenance Agreement with Dynamic Imaging System, Inc. in the amount $6,141.00 for the year 2026;
8.37 Data: Tri-Electronics Service Agreement for security cameras in Data Center in the annual amount of $1,950.00 to be paid quarterly in the amount of $487.50;
8.38 Data: Tri-Electronics Maintenance Agreement for security in the Data Center in the annual amount of $2,064.00 to be paid quarterly in the amount of $516.00.

Order #19 ADD Agenda #8.40

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.40 ADDITION: Commissioners: Annual Service Provider Contract for the period of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026 from Johnson Controls, Inc.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.40, Annual Service Provider Contract for the period of August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026 from Johnson Controls, Inc. on behalf of Commissioners HVAC, letter from Johnson Controls lists rates as follows: BAS Controls Tech: $225.00; OT/Saturday 1.5 X; Double Time 2 X; Trip charge/fuel surcharge total per visit per day = $25; Material markup is cost plus 25%, dated June 30, 2025 to Mr. Robert Holl from H. Woods of Johnson Controls, Inc. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #20 ADD Addition #8.41

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.41 Highway: Engineering Services Agreement with DLZ Indiana, LLC, for the replacement of Lake County Bridge No. 261, 213th Avenue over Hart Ditch in an amount not to exceed $594,620.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Engineering Services Agreement with DLZ Indiana, LLC, for the replacement of Lake County Bridge No. 261, 213th Avenue over Hart Ditch in an amount not to exceed $594,620.00, on behalf of Highway. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #21 ADD Agenda #8.42-8.43

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.42 Health: Contract with Franciscan Health for Epic Health Connect for an electronic health record. Twelve (12) week implementation cost in the amount of $14,550.00 and annual maintenance fee of $8,051.00; 8.43 Health: Contract with Ash Wittmer LLC in the amount of $47,400.00 for Marketing and Social Media Management Strategy Services for the years 2025 and 2026.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.42 and 8.43, Contract with Franciscan Health for Epic Health Connect for an electronic health record, twelve (12) week implementation cost in the amount of $14,550.00 and annual maintenance fee of $8,051.00, and ordered same to approve Contract with Ash Wittmer LLC in the amount of $47,400.00 for Marketing and Social Media Management Strategy Services for the years 2025 and 2026, both on behalf of Health Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #22 CORR Agenda #8.44

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.44 Health: Contract with Mental Health America NWI in the amount of $14,250.00 for additional infant safe sleep equipment and supplies for the year of 2025. This contract was approved at the August 20, 2025 meeting, Item #8.46, in the amount of $14,000.00. This needs to be approved for the corrected amount of $14,250.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.44, Contract with Mental Health America NWI in the amount of $14,250.00 for additional infant safe sleep equipment and supplies for the year of 2025 for the corrected amount of $14,250.00, corrected from approval on August 20, 2025 agenda item 8.46, on behalf of Health Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #23 ADD Agenda #8.45

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.45 Commissioners: Legal Services Proposal with Barnes & Thornburg, TIF matters.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.45, Legal Services Proposal with Barnes & Thornburg on TIF matters, on behalf of Commissioners, letter dated September 9, 2025 states fees in this matter will be based primarily on the hours actually worked by each lawyer and legal assistant involved in the matter using hourly billing rates for the lawyer or legal assistant and the type of work involved. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #24 ADD Agenda #8.46

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.46 Commissioners: Recommend and approve First Amendment to Interconnection Agreement with NIPSCO for electrical upgrades including installation of a recloser for the Solar Array Installation Project in the amount of $120,000.00 to be paid in two installments, with 50% ($60,000.00) to be paid by September 30, 2025 and the remaining 50% to be paid after completion.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.46, First Amendment to Interconnection Agreement with NIPSCO for electrical upgrades including installation of a recloser for the Solar Array Installation Project in the amount of $120,000.00 to be paid in two installments, with 50% ($60,000.00) to be paid by September 30, 2025 and the remaining 50% to be paid after completion, on behalf of Commissioners, Repay pointed out that “even when you’re trying to harvest the power of the sun, NIPSCO finds a way to get paid”. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #25 ADD Agenda #8.47-8.50

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.47 – 8.50 Highway: Contracts: Listed below.

Order #25 ADD Agenda #8.47-8.50 cont'd

Allen made a motion to approve agenda items 8.47 – 8.50 on behalf of Highway, Contracts listed below, Tippy seconded with a question on agenda items 8.47 and 8.48, asked, "what is our participation here, with the roundabout, what is the work order, and item 48 as well?", Highway Engineer present/spoke, "Item 47 it is a utility agreement, item 48 is a road cut, so they kind of work together just two different agreements", Tippy asked, "is that on the south leg of Cline", Alverson, answered, "yes, it's for the new roundabout, yes 231 & Cine, they need to get in there and relocate their electrical facilities and some fiber optic", Repay, asked, "that's like their work order, we're not paying them to do anything?", Alverson replied, "correct", Tippy continued, "we're giving them permission to do work in our Right of Way", Alverson, "yes", Repay, "which they have to do, because we're doing the roundabout", Alverson, continued, "yes, and then item 8.49 is the concurrence form to use roads for the detour road, which NIPSCO is responsible for any damages", Tippy asked, "do we know when this work is going to begin?", Alverson replied, "September the 29th through 12/18 is the estimated time, that's the schedule right now, hopefully quicker, they said", Tippy "alright, thank you", end discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

8.47 **Highway**: Utility NIPSCO; Location: US 231 and Cline Avenue, Roundabout Project; Work Order # 4000061110.

8.48 **Highway**: Road Cut Agreement; NIPSCO; Location: US 231 and Cline Avenue, Roundabout Project; Work Order # 4000061110.

8.49 **Highway**: Concurrence for Temporary use of County Roads; Crossing US 231 and Cline Avenue for NIPSCO Utility Relocations

8.50 **Highway**: Change Order #1 to the 2025 Bituminous Materials for Roadway Patching Bridge and Deck Overlay, Delivered and Applied; amount not to exceed $9,400.00.

Order #26 ADD Agenda #8.51

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: Juvenile Court: Recommend and approve purchase of safety padding for isolation room in the amount of $6,930.00 to Marathon Engineering Corporation.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.51, on behalf of Juvenile Court for the purchase of safety padding for isolation room in the amount of $6,930.00 to Marathon Engineering Corporation, Quote #2025-1349 submitted to Ron Zochalski of Lake County Juvenile Detention Center. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #27 ADD Agenda #8.52

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: Commissioners: Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the River Forest Community School Corp. and Lake County, IN for Equipment and Improvements for River Forest High School Athletics' in Hobart Township in the amount of $39,048.88.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the River Forest Community School Corp. and Lake County, IN for Equipment and Improvements for River Forest High School Athletics' in Hobart Township in the amount of $39,048.88, on behalf of Commissioners, Commissioner Allen. Motion carried 3-0.

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Order #28 ADD Agenda #8.53-8.55

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 8.53 – 8.55 Highway: Contracts: Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 8.53 – 8.55, Contracts on behalf of Highway, as listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

8.53 **Highway**: Work Directive Change Form No. 13 Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Program Construction Project 1 – Package A; Change Order Amount **$32,900.00**.

8.54 **Highway**: Supplement No. 2 Clark Street Culvert Replacement; Wetland Delineation increase of $**11,000.00**; total contract amount **$177,350.00.**

8.55 **Highway**: Calumet Township Septic Tank Elimination Project, Construction Project 1 – Package A; Work Directive Change No. 11; Change Order Amount **$222,563.00.**

Order #29 Agenda #9.1 – 9.5

In the Matter of Action And/Or Reports On County Owned Property: 9.1 Prosecutor: Request for Property Disposal; 9.2 Elections: Request for Property Disposal; 9.3 Data: Disposal of Property Request; 9.4 ADDITION: Elections: Request for Property Disposal; 9.5 ADDITION: Superior Court: Request for Property Disposal.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 9.1 – 9.5, Requests for Property Disposal, on behalf of Prosecutor, Elections, Data, Elections, and Superior Court, request forms with itemized list sent to Ted Burzynski, Chief of Staff. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #30 Agenda #10.1

In the Matter of Action On Commissioners' Items: 10.1 Highway: Selection of Consultant for Design Engineering Services for Lake County Bridge No. 239, Old Cline Avenue over Grand Calumet River.

Comes now, Highway Engineer, spoke before the Board of Commissioners, on agenda item 10.1, stated, "I've been working with the EPA about removal of that bridge, in its entirety, it's been decommissioned, it hasn't been opened to traffic for a number of years, but since the EPA to work through a Grant to get money to remove that Bridge, we need a local public agency to represent them on the Engineering Services, so I think we've stepped forward as the Local Agency and there's a Consultant that I know that is familiar with that Bridge and that's the Lochmueller Group and I know they would do a good job representing us there", Allen made a motion, on the County Engineer's recommendation, to approve for Lochmueller Group to serve as the selected Consultant for the Design Engineering Services for Lake County Bridge No. 239, Old Cline Avenue over Grand Calumet River for 10.1, Tippy seconded the motion, Repay spoke, "at one point, this was INDOT's Bridge, right, and then they gave it us after it was not in-use anymore and then basically they're asking us to deal with it". Motion carried 3-0.

Order #31 Agenda #10.2-10.3

In the Matter of Action On Commissioners' Items: 10.2 Calumet Township: Poor Relief Appeal Decisions on August 7, 2025/St. John Township: Poor Relief Appeal Decisions on August 21, 2025; 10.3 Calumet Township: Poor Relief Appeal Decisions – July 21, 2025 and August 21, 2025.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 10.2 and 10.3, Poor Relief Appeal Decisions, as listed below, on behalf of Calumet Township and St John Township. Motion carried 3-0.

Calumet Township Poor Relief Appeal Decisions

Angela Johnson	Approved in part/on condition
Arritha Burnett	Approved in part/on condition
Carol Carcelli	Approved in part/on condition
Carol Britton	Approved in part
Cenyon Carter	Approved in part/on condition
Diamond Robinson	Approved in part/on condition
Elston Williams	Approved in part/on condition
Erika Robinson	Approved in part/on condition
Jacqueline Brinkley	Approved in part
Keith Davis	Approved in part
Larenzo Boykins	Approved in part/on condition
Larry Maynard	Approved in part
Latanya Jackson	Approved in part
MiChiele Jackson	Approved in part/on condition
Mary Hayes	Approved in part/on condition
Michael Turner	Approved in part
Olivia Farmer	Approved in part/on condition
Larry Austin	Approved in part
Tracey Lacefield	Approved in part/on condition
Yvette Hemphill	Approved in part

St John Township Poor Relief Appeal Decisions

Angelak Burnett	Approved in part/on condition

Order #32 Agenda #11.1

In the Matter of Council Items: 11.1 Ordinance(s): Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 11.1, Council Ordinance 1511A Establishing a Per Diem for Lake County Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals (PTBOA) Members. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #33 Agenda #11.2

In the Matter of Council Items: 11.2 – Ordinance(s): Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Council Ordinance 1511B, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

11.2 **Council**: Ordinance 1511B Establishing The Lake County Sheriff's Comprehensive Highway Injury Reduction Program (CHIRP) Grant Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund

Order #33 Agenda #11.3

In the Matter of Council Items: 11.3 Ordinance(s): Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Council Ordinance 1511C, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

11.3 **Council**: Ordinance 1511C Approving an Additional Appropriation by the Crown Point Community Library from its Rainy-Day Fund, Fund 201; Library Improvement Reserve Fund, Fund 400; and Excess Welfare Distribution Fund, Fund 226, Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18-5

Order #34 ADD Agenda #11.4-11.5

In the Matter of Action To Form Contracts: 11.4 – 11.5 Council: Ordinance(s): Listed below.

Comes now Commissioner Allen spoke on Council Ordinances presented in agenda items 11.4 and 11.5, "my position is this, is that obviously the Councilman's budgetary and fiscal oversight, we don't know what the effects of sending the wrong act will be, at least long term, of whether or not the State will tweak it, so my position is that we should just maintain our current budgetary levels and the Council would appear to, I think, agree with that, so I don't see the need for the restriction since we are going to maintain a status quo, and I would assume that the other Office holders will do the same as long as they do not exceed what they've been approved for, for the current the current year, and that's my opinion, and ultimately, as we go through the budget process, the Council will have the final say, anyway", Allen made a motion to veto agenda items 11.4 and 11.5, Repay seconded the motion to veto, Tippy voted no on the veto, commented, "I appreciate the fact that the Council has made some effort, although I would say it's from ideal in terms of trying to bring the budget within our means of, as required by the new State Law, so I'm going to be a no vote on the veto. Motion to veto passes 2-1.

11.4 Council: Ordinance 1511D Restricting the Hiring of New County Employees Until 9/30/2026
11.5 Council: Ordinance 1511D-1 Amending the Ordinance Restricting the Hiring of New County Employees until 9/30/2026, Ordinance No. 1511A

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Order #35 Agenda #12.1-12.4

In the Matter of State Board Of Accounts Items: 12.1 – 12.3 Auditor: Accounts Payable: Listed below; 12.4 Economic Development: Accounts Payable: Listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 12.1 – 12.4, State Board of Accounts Items, on behalf of Auditor and Economic Development, Accounts Payable for the periods listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #35 Agenda #12.1-12.4 cont'd

12.1 Auditor: Accounts Payable Voucher Register for County Payroll – Payroll – Pay Date 7/28/2025
12.2 Auditor: Accounts Payable Voucher Register for County Payroll – Payroll – Pay Date 8/11/2025
12.3 Auditor: LC 265 8/21/2025 TO 9/17/2025 Hand Cuts 8/21/2025 to 9/17/2025 LC 130 9/17/2025
12.4 Economic Development: Accounts Payable Voucher Register – Period 8/1/225 – 9/1/25

Order #36 Agenda #13.1

In the Matter of Actions On Bonds/Insurance: 13.1 Highway: Certificate of Insurance Up-Date 09-2025.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 13.1, Certificate of Insurance Up-Date 09-2025, submitted by Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #37 Agenda #15.1-15.2

In the Matter of Staff Reports: 15.1 Weights & Measures: Monthly Report Period 7/16/2025-8/15/2025; 15.2 Treasurer: Monthly Report.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve 15.1 and 15.2, Staff Reports, on behalf of Weights & Measures Department and Lake County Treasurer, for the periods listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

15.1 Weights & Measures: Monthly Report Period 7/16/2025-8/15/2025
15.2 Treasurer: Monthly Report: Ending July 31, 2025

Order #38 ADD Agenda #16.1

In the Matter of Other/Matters Of Public Record: 16.1 Commissioners: Letter from SMNG A, Ltd. Memorializing the recommendation made and approved by the Board Of Commissioners at the August 2025 Board Meeting to accept the quote from Applied GeoScience for geotechnical investigations at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Fine Arts Building.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record agenda item 16.1, Letter from SMNG A, Ltd. Memorializing the recommendation made and approved by the Board Of Commissioners at the August 2025 Board Meeting to accept the quote from Applied GeoScience for geotechnical investigations at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Fine Arts Building, on behalf of Commissioners, Letter dated September 12, 2025 to Commissioners Chief of Staff signed by Todd Niemiec, ALA,AIA, Principal, SMNG A Ltd. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #39 Agenda #3.1

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.1 Sanitary Sewer Collection and Conveyance Project for West Point Acres Subdivision.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Sanitary Sewer Collection and Conveyance Project for West Point Acres Subdivision for Highway, the following bids were received:

1. Gatlin Plumbing & Heating, Inc. $1,950,000.00
2. Dyer Construction Co., Inc. $2,384,613.23
3. H & G Underground Utilities, LLC $2,103,798.52
4. Austgen Equipment, Inc. $2,174,078.00
5. Grimmer Construction, Inc. $1,889,629.00
6. LGS Plumbing, Inc. $2,050,390.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above-mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #40 Agenda #3.2

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.2 UPS Cooling Room Project.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for UPS Cooling Room Project for Commissioners, the following bids were received:

1. Gatlin Plumbing & Heating, Inc. $267,300.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve, subject to review by Mr. Kuhn of CSK Architects, award to the sole bidder, Gatlin Plumbing & Heating, Inc. in the quoted amount of $267,300.00 for UPS Cooling Room Project for Commissioners. (Repay, "UPS, Uninterrupted Power Supply"). Motion carried 3-0.

Order #41 Agenda #3.3

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.3 NG9-1-1 Call Handling/Processing System.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for NG9-1-1 Call Handling/Processing System for Lake County 9-1-1, the following bid was received:

1. AT&T $5,120,273.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above-mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation from E9-1-1 Department Authority Members. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #42 Agenda #3.4

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.4 The Lake County Fuel Island Improvement Project.

Order #42 Agenda #3.4 cont'd

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Lake County Fuel Island Improvement Project for Commissioners, the following bids were received:

1. Pangere Corporation $673,950.00
2. Austgen Equipment, Inc. $898,140.00
3. Gariup Construction Co., Inc. $796,500.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve award to Pangere Corporation agenda item 3.4 in the amount of $673,950.00, pending review, the apparent low bidder for Lake County Fuel Island Improvement Project for Commissioners. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #43 Agenda #3.5

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.5 Repairs on Lake County Bridge #197, Ridge Road over EJ&E Railroad.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Repairs on Lake County Bridge #197, Ridge Road over EJ&E Railroad for Highway, the following bids were received:

1. Ellas Construction Co., Inc. $155,000.00
2. Dunnet Bay Construction $247,451.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve award, subject to review, agenda item 3.5 to bidder #1, Ellas Construction for Repairs on Lake County Bridge #197, Ridge Road over EJ&E Railroad for Highway in the amount of $155,000.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #44 Agenda #3.6

In the Matter of Public Opening Of Vendors Responses To Requests For Bids And Quotes: 3.6 Buckhill Estates Third and Fifth Additions Storm Sewer Rehabilitation.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Buckhill Estates Third and Fifth Additions Storm Sewer Rehabilitation for Highway, the following bids were received:

1. Dyer Construction Co., Inc. $130,500.00
2. Austgen Equipment, Inc. $100,219.00
3. Grimmer Construction, Inc. $ 79,548.00
4. LGS Plumbing, Inc. $ 53,343.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve award of agenda item 3.6 to LGS Plumbing, Inc. $53,343.00, subject to review by the County Engineer, for Buckhill Estates Third and Fifth Additions Storm Sewer Rehabilitation for Highway. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #45 Agenda #17

In the Matter of Comments: Members of the Public; Elected Officials; Commissioners.

Comes now, Members of the Public, for Public Comment, first to speak was Scott Sefton, spoke with concerns for Heather Hill subdivision after two contracts were awarded, concerned with a promise made to replace trees on 85th Avenue, stated it has not been done and this is year two (2) now, then spoke on the inferior cover that was put on after trees were torn up stated 90% of those were weeds that grew, stated for months and months it just laid dormant, afraid at this late in the season what will happen in that area, Mr. Sefton stated he hopes that the Highway Department will keep a closer look at this project that's coming up, oversees this a little bit closer.

Comes now, with Public Comment, Jacqueline Sloan Nowak, resident of Crown Point, spoke in compliment to County Highway Engineer for his public and professional demeanor in the work he does, as he assisted one of her friends, then continued with next public comment spoke on issues she has with Lake County Health Board, related to the vacancies, public reporting, etc., asked Board Members for support for legislation, stated she has spoken Matt Fech, Secretary Sachdev's Office in Governor Braun's cabinet about it and Audrey Arboguess, another State Health Board employee recognized deficiencies in the Legislation, seeking amended Legislation to correct asked Board Members to review and direct her to who she could better approach to assist this matter.

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at 10:00 A.M.

There being no further business before the Board at this time, Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to adjourn.

The following officials were Present virtually:
Attorney Matthew Fech

MICHAEL REPAY, PRESIDENT

KYLE ALLEN Sr., COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

PEGGY H. KATONA, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR