

# KNOX COUNTY COUNCIL

111 North 7th Street, Vincennes, IN 47591

June 9, 2026 Minutes for Knox County Indiana County Council

## Call to Order

A meeting of The Knox County Council was held on June 9, 2026 at Vincennes City Hall at 203 Vigo St. It began at 5:00 p.m. and was presided over by President Mike Morris.

## Attendees

Voting members in attendance included Rich Chattin, Mary Crismore, Jon Hillenbrand, Kevin Meyer, Mike Morris, Dan Reitmeyer, and Jay Yochum. Also, present Auditor Lisa Clark/Benock and Auditor staff Julie Lancaster. Counsel Drew Porter not present.

## Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: Moved by Jon Hillenbrand and seconded by Mary Crismore to approve the agenda. Motion passes 7-0

## Review of Minutes of Prior Meetings (May 12, 2026)

**Motion:** Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve the May 12, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion passes 7-0

## Appointments

## New Business

- a. Resolution 2026-5: Preliminary Resolution for the Creation of an ERA for Iona Solar LLC. – President Mike Morris read the Resolution. The project located in Johnson and Harrison Township. This is the first step of many. Caroline Brinster from Dentons also present if there were any questions. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve Resolution 2026-5 Preliminary (Declaratory) Resolution for the Creation of an Economic Revitalization Area for Iona Solar LLC. Motion passes 6-0-1 abstain.
- b. Wagler Custom Homes (L3RK LLC) an abatement discussion: Phil O'Haver from Wagler Custom Homes a new project in two phases. Phase one is the construction of the facility (in Sandborn west of Blue Jay Junction) and Phase two an additional \$600,000 will occur 12 months later with an additional four employees. A ten-year abatement. He is looking for the next step and follow up with Counsel Drew Porter. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jay Yochum to approve request. Motion passes 7-0
- c. Resolution 2026-4: Sale of 2012 Distributor to Harrison County Highway Department – Superintendent Chad Reynolds – Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Kevin Meyer to approve sale of 2012 Distributor to Harrison County Highway Department. Motion passes 7-0. Chad Reynolds updated the

council for the need of three new vehicles and three dump trucks for each district. He is going to put numbers together and talk again at budget hearing.

- d. Knox County Sheriff Department Purchase of new Tahoe with Commissary Funds – remove
- e. Knox County Surveyor - remove

### **Appropriations and Transfers**

Superior Court I – Judge Gara Lee – Additional Appropriation request for \$10,000.00 for Guardian ad Litem to pay claims and to end of year. Motion: Moved by Jon Hillenbrand and seconded by Kevin Meyer to approve additional request \$10,000. Motion passes 7-0

Knox County Highway – Superintendent Chad Reynolds - Additional Appropriation request for fund 1135 Cumulative Bridge – Bridge Inspection for \$49,536.83 and \$31,335.90. INDOT reimbursed. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve additional appropriation request total \$80,872.73. Motion passes 7-0

Knox County Highway – Superintendent Chad Reynolds – Additional Appropriation request for fund 1173 Bituminous District 1 \$258,511.00 dollars left over from 2025 not used in 2025 using in 2026. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve additional appropriation request total \$258,511.00. Motion passes 7-0

Knox County Highway – Superintendent Chad Reynolds – Additional Appropriation request for fund 1176 Road Truck and Tractor Repair for \$70,000.00 for support thru EOY instead of fund 1169. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve additional appropriation request \$70,000.00 Motion passes 7-0

Knox County Highway – Superintendent Chad Reynolds – Additional Appropriation request for fund 9152 Community Crossing Grant Match for \$1,000,000.00. CCMG was awarded to Knox County appropriate to expense line to pay out invoices. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Jon Hillenbrand to approve appropriation request. Motion passes 7-0

Knox County EMA – Director John Streeter – Additional Appropriation request for \$35,929.00 from purchase of a Sandbagger equipment using fund 1170 PSLIT County Share. Motion: Moved by Dan Reitmeyer and seconded by Mary Crismore to appropriate \$35,929.00 to purchase Sandbagger equipment. Motion passes 6-1

Knox County EMA – Director John Streeter – Additional Appropriation request for \$55,301.25 to purchase new vehicle. The request has been advertised. The Council approved request at May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with Dan Reitmeyer and seconded by Rich Chattin. Motion passes 7-0.

Knox County Prosecutor – Transfer request from fund 2504 Prosecutor User Fees from expenditures line to 1000-108 part time line \$2,500.00 to cover line. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Dan Reitmeyer to approve transfer request \$2,500.00. Motion passes 7-0

Knox County Prosecutor – Transfer request \$933.72 from fund 2504 expenditures line to Fleet line; \$2,142.85 Communication Line to Fleet line; \$1,356.61 Education line to Fleet line. Motion: Moved by Rich Chattin and seconded by Dan Reitmeyer to approve transfer request total \$4433.18. Motion passes 7-0



**Employment & Request to Fill Positions -**

**Old Business –**

**Announcements/Council Reports –**

Kevin Meyer – no report

Dan Reitmeyer – no report

Jon Hillenbrand – no report

Mike Morris – no report

Mary Crismore – no report

Rich Chattin – Land Use Committee met and have another meeting June 10th

Jay Yochum – no report

**Date, Time, and Place of Next Meeting**

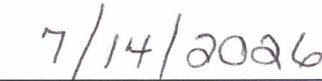
Tuesday July 14th, 2026 at 5:00 pm at Vincennes City Hall – 203 Vigo St.

**Adjournment**

Motion: Moved by Kevin Meyer and seconded by Jay Yochum to adjourn at 5:55 pm. Motion passes 7-0



Secretary  
Lisa Clark/Benock  
Knox County Auditor



Date of Approval



President Mike Morris  
Knox County Council



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