

KNOX COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

111 North 7th Street, Vincennes, IN 47591

PRESIDENT: T.J. BRINK

VICE PRESIDENT: TIMOTHY ELLERMAN II

MEMBER: KELLIE E. STREETER

August 4, 2026 Minutes for Meeting of the Knox County Commissioner

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Knox County Commissioners was held on August 4, 2026 at Vincennes City Hall at 203 Vigo St. The meeting was held at 10:00 am.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included TJ Brink, Tim Ellerman, and Kellie Streeter. Also, Counsel Drew Porter, Auditor Lisa Clark/Benock and Julie Lancaster.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to adopt the amended agenda with addition e. Hwy Dept. Bridge #91 under new business and e. EMS update f. zoning small homes under reports. Motion passes 3-0

Review of Minutes of Prior Meetings (July 21, 2026)

Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve July 21, 2026 meeting minutes. Motion passes 3-0

Appointments – none

New Business

- a. Ordinance no. 2026-7: Sievers Road (10.11 acres) Rezoning of from 1-2 and R-A to R-1). Jared Memering a Surveyor from Morley presented a proposal for sub-division at Sievers Road. Motion: Moved by Kellie Streeter to move on first reading to rezoning 1-2 and R-A to R-1 to move to Area Plan Committee and seconded by TJ Brink. Motion passes 3-0
- b. Economic Development Agreement with Iona Solar, LLC/Orion – Counsel Drew Porter – presented Knox County Council approved the Economic Development Agreement, Road Use Agreement, and Decommissioning Plan Agreement. Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Kellie Streeter to approve all three agreements with Iona Solar LLC/Orion. Motion passes 3-0
- c. Claims-Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve claims submitted for \$795,794.79. Motion passes 3-0
- d. Payroll – Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve 7-31-26 payroll submitted. Motion passes 3-0

- e. Knox County Highway – Superintendent Chad Reynolds Bridge #91 Rod and Gun Road needs repaired. One bid was received from CLR Construction for \$287,485.00 to be done by August 2027. Chad reported money is available in budget. Motion: Moved by Kellie Streeter and seconded by TJ Brink to go with single bid CLR for bridge #91. Motion passes 3-0

Old Business

- a. Safer Streets Grant – Selection of Professional Services – TJ Brink reported can't extend money yet. Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to select United Consulting for professional services for the grant. Motion passes 3-0
- b. Agreement & Easement for External Lighting with Vincennes/Knox County Visitors & Tourism Bureau – Motion: Moved by TJ Brink and seconded by Tim Ellerman to remove from agenda. Motion passes 3-0

Announcements/Commissioner Reports

- a. Knox County Code Compliance Officer – None
- b. READI 2.0 Grant – None
- c. Knox County Emergency Management Operations Center - None
- d. Knox County Judicial Center – None
- e. EMS – Kellie Streeter updated the Commissioners on the EMS calls and plans for replacing ambulances.
- f. Zoning – Tim Ellerman questioned the zoning minimum threshold for tiny houses. To modify variance if neighbors agree.

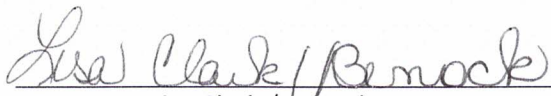
Public Comment – N/A

Date, Time, and Place of Next Meeting

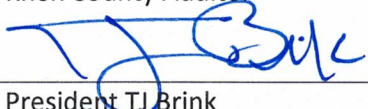
Special Meeting on Solar with panel experts and public Q & A (August 12 at 6:00 pm at Blue Jeans Center, Monroe City)

Tuesday August 18, 2026 at 6:00 pm at Vincennes City Hall 203 Vigo St. Vincennes, IN

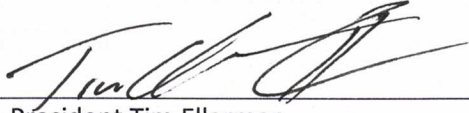
Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by TJ Brink and seconded by Kellie Streeter at 10:35 am. Motion passes 3-0



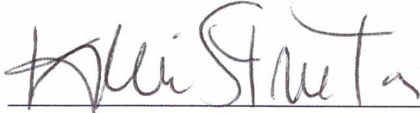
Secretary Lisa Clark / Benock
Knox County Auditor



President TJ Brink
Knox County Commissioner



Vice President Tim Ellerman
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Kellie Streeter
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