

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

December 22, 2025

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Mark Horstman, Commissioner Roger Gullion, Commissioner Jeff Volz, Attorney, John Ertel, Auditor, Amy Copeland.

Jail Maintenance – Michael Goddard

Mr. Goddard brought in a breakdown of the Jail facilities. Mr. Goddard also brought in a list of things that will need to be replaced by the end of the year 2026.

Mr. Goddard is purchasing tools for the Jail and keeping a list of them.

Sheriff – Chief Deputy Lee Davidson

Mr. Davidson brought in an ordinance to be approved to charge sex offenders.

Park – Christi Volz

Ms. Volz brought in 3 claims to pay 3 boys that tore down the horse stalls in the Park horse barn.

Motion: Commissioner Gullion made the motion to approve the 3 boys to get paid out of Park funding at \$300.00 each, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Roger Gullion, **Seconded by** Jeff Volz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion to approve to ACH for \$90,375.00 for the land purchased next to the fairgrounds, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Roger Gullion. Motion passed unanimously.

EMS – James Coffey

Commissioner Horstman stated that Mr. Coffey has given his resignation. His last day will be January 9, 2026.

Veregy – Art Noel

Mr. Noel was in to give an update on the Courthouse and Jail.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion to approve a check for \$4,000.00 to fix the asphalt in the Jail alleyway, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Roger Gullion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion to approve the Jail Roof Project completion, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Roger Gullion. Motion passed unanimously.

Tourism – Terri Trowbridge

Mr. Trowbridge came in for 2 new appointments.

Motion: Commissioner Gullion made the motion to appoint Anita Fledderman and Megan Gray to the Tourism Board. This is for a 2 year term., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Roger Gullion, **Seconded by** Jeff Volz. Motion passed unanimously.

Friendship Sewer Board – Christiane “Frankie” Geary

Ms. Geary brought in appointments for the Friendship Sewer Board. The appointments are Samantha Fuentes 3 year term, Scott Stutler 3 year term, Pat Thomas 4 year term, Christiane Geary 4 year term, and Anthony Wood 4 year term.

Motion: Commissioner made the motion to appoint Samantha Fuentes 3 year term, Scott Stutler 3 year term, Pat Thomas 4 year term, Christiane Geary 4 year term, and Anthony Wood 4 year term., **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Roger Gullion. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Gullion made the motion to approve the December 8, 2025 meeting minutes, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Roger Gullion, **Seconded by** Jeff Volz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Gullion made the motion the approve claims and payroll, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Roger Gullion, **Seconded by** Jeff Volz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion to appoint Commissioner Gullion to the Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Mark Horstman. Motion passed unanimously.

Recorder – Monica Hansen

Ms. Hansen came in to talk to the Commissioners about the Doxpop which helps with property watch.

Area Planning – Tad Brinson

Mr. Brinson is in with an appointment for the BZA. Rick Dillion would like to be the appointment for the BZA.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion to appoint Rick Dillion, **Action:** No Pass, **Moved by** Jeff Volz

Encore – Brad Samples

Mr. Samples came in with the yearly update for the insurance and workers compensation. The total for all insurance and workers compensation is \$529,683.00.


Motion: Commissioner Gullion made the motion to move forward with the insurance total for \$529,683.00, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Roger Gullion, **Seconded by** Jeff Volz. Motion passed unanimously.


The Commissioners talked to Mr. Samples about the clock tower for the water damage on the clock tower.

The Auditor talked to the Commissioners about badges for the county workers and they stated they want technology to come in and talk to them about the badges.

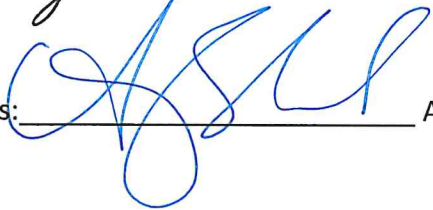
The Commissioners want the 2026 appointments to come to the next meeting so they can introduce their self to the Commissioners.

Motion: Commissioner Volz made the motion the adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Jeff Volz, **Seconded by** Roger Gullion. Motion passed unanimously.


_____ Mark Horstman, President


_____ Jeff Volz


_____ Roger Gullion

Assts: 
_____ Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor