

# MINUTES

## BOARD OF ALLEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session  
beginning at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	SPECIAL SESSION
<b>DATE</b>	<b>November 16, 2020</b>
<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM</b>
	<p><b>** DUE TO COVID-19 Social Distancing, the Commissioner's office will be closed for in-person meetings until further notice. During scheduled public meetings, Allen County residents may contact the board by:</b></p> <p><b>Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.</b></p> <p><a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/470965725">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/470965725</a></p> <p><b>You can also dial in using your phone.</b> United States (Toll Free): <a href="tel:18773092073">1 877 309 2073</a> United States: <a href="tel:+15713173129">+1 (571) 317-3129</a></p> <p><b>Access Code:</b> 470-965-725</p> <p><b>** Meetings will NOT be broadcast on Facebook Live on the "Allen County Board of Commissioners" page.</b></p>
	<p><b>Present: Beth Seibert</b> <b>Cory Noonan</b></p>
<b>TIME:</b>	<b>GENERAL SESSION – RECORDED</b>
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<p><b>Budget Hearing – Common Pleas Court</b></p> <p><b>Present: Judge Reed and Judge Kohlrieser</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed proposed 2021 budget.</li> <li>• Judge Reed submitted a request for a full-time Magistrate. The court currently has been sharing a Magistrate with Domestic Relations Court.</li> </ul>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Requesting 50% of salary of full-time Magistrate from general fund with the remainder to be paid from the Special Projects Fund.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Discussion regarding Civil Protection Orders</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>10:36 a.m.</b></p>	<p><b>RECESS</b></p>
<p><b>11:01 a.m.</b></p>	<p><b>Informational Meeting - LightsourceBP</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Residents have been reaching out to the County Commissioners with many questions/concerns. These questions and/or concerns have been directed to Lightsource BP for answers/understanding.</b></li> <li>• <b>Concerns and reservations to sight location in addition to the effect on property values.</b></li> <li>• <b>Shanelle Montana – Lightsource BP, stated this location was selected as an interconnection – way to move power (infrastructure). The land and environment – agriculture – there is less disturbance. Demand and Community Partnership</b></li> <li>• <b>Property Taxes: Pilot Program. County negotiate up to \$2,000 more per mgwat (\$9,000.00 total). Working with county Auditor. Local jobs amount: local training on solar</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion regarding studies that have been done: Geotech &amp; hydrology, Decommissioning Plan, Economic Analysis, Sound Study, Road Use Study, Glare Study (FAA), Visual Impact, Cultural Study, Wetland, Stream and Ground Water. Requested a copy of same.</b></li> <li>• <b>Panels will not go above 10 feet</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion regarding Adjustment Landowner Payment Process – reaching out to landowners and rolling it out</b></li> <li>• <b>Footprint for the proposed project is required for the permit</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion regarding post-project life remediation – bond or other financial security – process to return ground to productive agricultural activities</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion regarding operational life. Lightsource BP will have an operations budget of \$4.6 million per year to maintain the facility and land. Requested breakdown of yearly operational expenses.</b></li> <li>• <b>Lightsource BP plans to submit application to OPSB in December</b></li> <li>• <b>After construction, employ 8-10 people</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion on who will use the electricity produced</b></li> <li>• <b>Discussion on studies as it relates to health issues</b></li> <li>• <b>A chain link fence will encompass the area</b></li> </ul>

- Discussion regarding property values/studies to support this issue
- Agreements/deeds will be recorded at the Allen County Recorder
- Discussion regarding the construction of substations - use blighted areas
- Discussion regarding life of panels
- Building structure - may have some kind of storage facility

11:58 a.m.

ADJOURN

Submitted by: Kelli A. Singhaus  
Kelli A. Singhaus, Clerk

Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

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