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Board of Allen County Commissioners will be in session

Tuesday and Thursday and adjourn upon completion of business

DESCRIPTION	SPECIAL SESSION
DATE	September 2, 2026
LOCATION	COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM
	PRESENT: Brian Winegardner Beth Seibert Cory Noonan
TIME:	GENERAL SESSION - RECORDED
9:01 a.m.	Memorial Hall Project Discussion—Port Authority of Allen County—Susan Wildermuth, Cindy Leis, Dave Stratton, Phil Buell, Rex Huffman, David Williams, Jeff Harris and John Willamowski Jr. • Discussion on the acquiring of properties for the Port Authority to move forward with future plans for the Memorial site -Port Authority are requesting to acquire the Memorial Hall and rear Children Services parking lot properties • Rex Huffman provided an overview on the necessary documents for the acquisition of properties -the Port Authority would like to move forward with this in an expedited manner to be eligible for several million dollars in grant funding for the proposed project • Discussion on the transfer of the remaining \$10M grant from the State Capital dollars from the County to the Port Authority • Discussion on a permanent easement of 10 feet for the Children Services Parking lot upon transfer to the Port Authority

- Discussion on \$1M grant the County received for Memorial Hall, which the Port Authority is requesting be transferred to them for the proposed project
- General discussion on grant funding possibilities
- General discussion on the permanent easement for the Children Services parking lot
 - Commissioners would like the 10 foot easement to remain paved for easy accessibility for any maintenance or needs for access of the Children Services Building
- Discussion on resolutions to be prepared by legal counsel for tomorrows agenda
 - Resolution to approve Lot Split/Replat
 - Resolution for purchase of Memorial Hall
 - Resolution for purchase of Children Services Parking Lot
 - Resolution regarding the remaining funds available from the Office of Business Management
- Discussion on \$1M grant funds from the Facilities Commission for Memorial Hall—transfer of property will need to be provided to the State, and then the Port Authority will have access to utilize said funds and will also be responsible for reporting on said funding
- Discussion on Port Authority insurance coverage
 - Port Authority is currently a covered board under the county's CORSA coverage
 - the Commissioners would like the Port Authority to move to their own policy under CORSA, rather than under the county's coverage
 - Cindy Leis will further discuss with Webb Insurance and CORSA for the Port Authority to obtain their own policy
- Discussion on the desire for this project to compliment the Civic Center, not compete against said facility
- Discussion on the interest that has been received from the \$10M grant funds
 - the Commissioners would like to contribute 50% of the interest earned toward the Memorial Hall Project
- The attorneys will work on revisions to the documents to be approved on tomorrows Agenda and Jeff Harris, Bricker Graydon, will prepare resolutions

10:13 a.m.

ADJOURN

Submitted by:

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Approved by: Board of Allen County Commissioners

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