# Minutes
# Tipton County
# Plan Commission
# May 7, 2026
# 6:00 p.m.

The Tipton County Plan Commission held a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 7th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the 1st floor meeting room, Tipton County Courthouse, 101 East Jefferson Street, Tipton, Indiana. The minutes are as follows:

**Call to Order**

Jason Henderson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Chase Meyncke, Carroll Cohee, Diana Davis, Doug Heron, Jenee Harlow, Mike Benjamin (non-voting member), Kolby Dickover, Tracey Powell, and Jason Henderson.
Members absent: D.K. DeLong.
Staff present: Judy Coker and Weston Nicholson.
Staff Absent: Michael Nasser.

**Modifications to agenda**

Jason Henderson added discussion regarding the fee schedule under new business.

**Approval of Minutes**

a) April 2, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Chase Meyncke, seconded by Carroll Cohee that the minutes from the April 2nd, 2026, regular meeting be approved. Motion carried 8-0.

**Public Hearings**

None.

**New Business**

a) Training – Battery Energy Storage Systems, provided by Purdue Extension

Judy Coker introduced Tamara Ogle from Purdue Extension who came forward to provide training regarding BESS ordinances. Becca Gillespie from Energy Systems Network came forward to provide education regarding the technical aspects of BESS.

Discussion ensued amongst the board, staff, Tamara Ogle, Becca Gillespie, Economic Development Director Abbie Smith, and members of the public who were in attendance.

b) Fee Schedule Review

Jason Henderson and Judy Coker gave an overview of the changes to the current fee schedule.

**Reports**

a) Staff Reports

Judy Coker gave an overview of the staff reports from April and an update on the Speedway project.

b) Standing Committee Report(s)

Judy Coker gave the board updates regarding the standing committee on signage and the standing committee on energy resources.

**Old Business**

a) BESS Ordinance Review – 3rd Draft

Discussion ensued amongst the board and staff regarding enforcement, plantings, setbacks, and other aspects of the ordinance.

Motion by Carroll Cohee, seconded by Jenee Harlow, to set for a public hearing on June 4th, 2026, regarding the BESS Ordinance and Fee Schedule Amendments. Motion carried 8-0.

**Public Comments**

Korey Henderson came forward to commend the board and staff on their work to craft the BESS ordinance.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Carroll Cohee, seconded by Chase Meyncke, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.