

**Commissioners Regular Meeting
October 7, 2019 8:00 a m**

Present: Rick Nobbe, Jerome Buening and Mark Koors

President Nobbe called the October 7th, 2019 meeting in session and he announced the **Title VI voluntary survey forms** are on the table in the corner for anyone wishing to fill one out and turn into the Auditor's office.

Mr Koors moved to approve the claims, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Mr Buening moved to approve the September 16th meeting minutes, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Highway Superintendent Mark Mohr told the Commissioners the replacement of big pipe on County Road 600 East just north of County Road 300 North coincided with the **Soil & Water Department** project on a farm waterway project. A larger project: plans are beams will be set on October 16th for a bridge on County Road 1100 South with paving to be completed by November 1st; 2 other smaller structures in this area were also replaced. The bridge on County Road 650 North, closed by the spring rains, is on schedule as the pilings are driven and the footers are in; once beams are on the 1100 South project crews will move up to this bridge to pour the walls. Mr Mohr asked **O'Mara Paving** to start the **Community Crossings Grant** project on the road in front of the **South Decatur Elementary School** this week since the school is closed for Fall Break. He is still dealing with Frontier on the phone peds on County Road 500 East and Base Road intersection; the one on Water Plant Road should be completed in 2020.

Mr Nobbe recognized Deputy Auditor Barbara Wolford for her 15 years of service and wished her well in the future. He thanked her for doing a good job on the claims and working with the Commissioners on those as well as other duties in the Auditor's Office.

Mr Nobbe reported on the mediation meeting with **Enterprise/Empire** regarding the pipeline agreement for road usage in the southern part of Decatur County. Former County Attorney Drew Young, Mr Nobbe and Assistant Highway Superintendent Tim Ortman went to the Mediation to discuss what we thought the Highway Department was owed and what Enterprise thought they owed us. **Enterprise/Empire** will pay \$400,000 to the County which should cover the costs to repair those roads and Mr Young's costs.

Area Plan Director Krista Duvall will have a census meeting on October 17th to assist with the 2020 Census Count. Ordinances for the County's Comprehensive Plan should be ready before the end of October; she hopes to send the first rough draft to the Committee/Board Members for a 'first reading' in the November APC meeting.

Building Inspector Kenny Buening has completed 62 inspections, issued 18 new building permits and issued 3 red tags since the Commissioners last meeting. The red tags were for a lean-to onto an aluminum carport without a permit and 2 electrical ground wires were not in conduit- has been fixed by the owner. He met with Homeland Security for a final inspection on a commercial remodeling project; he cited 6 violations with code references and gave thirty days to remedy. Two weeks ago Kenny attended a seminar on fire stopping, plan review and inspections as part of the 2019 Fall Indiana Code Education Conference in Muncie. The home owner on County Road 1000 South is slowly cleaning up his property.

Philip Deiwert, Tourism Director, is looking to create a new position, possibly within his office, to be responsible for scheduling events at our Sports Complex, amphitheater, the new soccer fields. He has spoken with Bob Barker and Teresa Kovacich of the Parks Department about the baseball leagues for 2021. There are opportunities to bring bigger tournaments to our Sports Complex. Commissioners agree it's worth looking into and maybe partner with other communities. There will need to be a job description created to help determine whether this position should be part time or full time. Mr Deiwert is still waiting to hear from Duke on costs for an electric vehicle charging station.

Mr Koors moved to approve Ordinance 2019-10, setting fees from 911 information provided by our Communications Center. Mr Buening seconded the motion and Mr Nobbe concurred. Communications Director Erika Free told Commissioners these fees are more specific to audio and paper reports and the fees collected will go into the Countywide 911 Fund. Director Free shared some policy and procedure changes for her department: implementing a complaint and grievance procedure for dispatchers; also a 'time off' procedure. These are in addition/supplemental to our County Personnel Policy. Commissioners asked Director

Free for some clarification on Section G of the proposed changes and bring back to their meeting on October 21st.

Emergency Management Director Brad Speer had contacted the Commissioners to ask for a 'declaration of emergency and no burn declaration' on September 24th. Commissioners signed the declaration on September 25th, 2019 and it will continue until the weather pattern changes.

County Sheriff David Durant asked who is responsible for the service and inspection of the generator for the new jail. He will check with Dave Geis.

Superior Court Judge Matt Bailey asked Commissioners for financial support on building or purchasing a desk and build-out area (\$3,500) for a new employee position which has been approved by the County Council for 2020. Auditor Chadwell shared the Council's plans for new equipment and furniture requested by departments in their 2020 budgets. At Council's financial adviser Reuben Cummings recommendations, they will 'take out a bond' to purchase needed equipment and furniture.

The Disbursement of Funds from Jail Project Fund, Requisition #15 was presented for the Commissioners' review and approval. Invoices included in Requisition #15, totaling \$1,189,389.08, were previously emailed to the Commissioners. Mr Buening moved to approve Requisition #15, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

EXHIBIT A

<u>Payee and Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bruns-Gutzwiller – App # 14	\$133,325.89
Quality Interiors Inc – App # 10	\$34,481.88
F E Moran – Inv #008-211557000	\$4,258.69
Quality Plumbing & Heating – App # 13	\$98,453.89
App # 14	\$231,011.80
Koch Mechanical Inc – App # 1030-12	\$59,863.50
Banta Electrical Contractors – App # 11	\$160,360.00
Pauly Jail Building Co Inc – App # 15	\$228,737.70
TEK84 Inc – Inv # 90490	\$149,000.00
Anthony Anderson Painting – App # 5	\$37,800.00
Intertek- PSI Testing & Inspections – Inv # 00657013	\$1,372.00
Elevatus Architecture – Inv # 18	\$22,773.73
Maxwell Construction – Inv #14	\$27,950.00
Total---	\$1,189,389.08

County Treasurer Brenda Dwenger and Mr Nobbe reported on the 2019 Tax Sale held on September 12th: there were 15 unsold properties which the Commissioners may 'take those to deed' and then hold an auction for the public to bid on. **Ford Abstract** has done the title research on these and the Commissioners have until December 12, 2019 to transfer into the County's name. Mrs Dwenger stated several other counties are doing personal property sales (mobile homes). She informed Commissioners interest rates are starting to fall, but we're in good standing with our investments.

Jail Project Manager Chris Grabosky presented 5 change orders for the new jail project:

Bruns-Gutzwiller, Change Order #3, deduct \$11,318.90 for a new contract amount of \$3,865,661.98

Johannigman Excavating, Change Order #3, add \$56,982 for a new contract amount of \$1,390,788

Quality Interiors, Change Order #3, add \$6,389 for a new contract amount of \$835,873

Pauly Jail Building, Change Order #3, add \$7,082 for a new contract amount of \$6,153,336

Anthony Anderson Corp, Change Order #1, add \$2,699.80 for a new contract amount of \$232,599.80

Mr Koors moved to approve the change orders as presented, Mr Buening seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred.

Assured Partners Managing Director Kevin Krekeler reminded all the next Safety Meeting is October 21, 2019 and property (fixed assets) evaluations need to be updated for all departments. Mr Krekeler said the 'jail is coming on board in January 1, 2020.

With nothing else to come before the Commissioners, Mr Buening moved to recess, Mr Koors seconded and Mr Nobbe concurred. Meeting recessed.

Attest: _____

Date: _____