

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 21, 2018

10:00 am

Tippecanoe Room, Tippecanoe County Office Building
20 N 3rd Street, Lafayette, Indiana

Commissioners present: President Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice President David S. Byers and Member Tracy A. Brown.

Also present: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Robert Plantenga, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary John Thomas.

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Monday, May 7, 2018

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

III. PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL – Paula Bennett

The claims from May 8, 2018 through May 17, 2018, including payroll from May 18, 2018 were recommended for approval without exception.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

IV. JAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

Commissioner Brown stated that he has discussed the jail needs with the Sheriff and the jail staff. It was renovated in 1989-1990 and is approaching capacity. It is time to look at the future of the building and he asked Mr. Eric Ratts of DLZ to present the scope of a feasibility study and contract. Mr. Eric Ratts from DLZ stated that DLZ has conducted approximately 60 similar studies across the Midwest and summarized the scope for a 2040 Plan. They plan to interview judges and public safety employees as well as analyze community demographics, inmate profiles and analysis, needs and trends, project future bed needs and costs and include a capital improvement plan. It would further assess different types of housing (dorm, single, double triple occupancy cells) and address recent state legislation concerning regional jails.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the \$24,500 agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

V. PURDUE EXTENSION – Karen Mitchell and Dee Nicley introduced four summer interns: Kara Schueler, Michael Skiles, Alexis Scheidt and Hannah Story.

VI. HIGHWAY – Stewart Kline presented the following for the commissioners' action.

On-Call Professional Services agreement for Planning, Engineering, and Environmental Services with Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LLC.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the contract as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Warranty Deed on the Concord Road Project for Parcel 2, owned by Robert J. Wilson for \$10,600.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the deed as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Warranty Deed on the Concord Road Project for Parcels 8 & 8A, owned by Gilbert and Mary Jo Gutwein for \$475.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the deed as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Temporary Highway Easement Grant on the Concord Road Project for Parcel 8B, owned by Gilbert and Mary Jo Gutwein for \$25.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the temporary easement grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Warranty Deed on the Concord Road Project for Parcel 9, owned by Wilson E. and Melissa A. Gwin for \$1,225.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the deed as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Temporary Easement Grant on the Concord Road Project for Parcel 9A-B, owned by Wilson E. and Melissa A. Gwin for \$175.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the temporary easement grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Continuation Certificate for the Mulberry Cooperative Telephone Co, Inc. for work in all County Rights-of-Way, for \$5,000.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Certificate as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

VII. HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Craig Rich and Brianna Lerch stated that both of the agreements provide better customer service, integrate with the County's website and costs are paid from user fees.

Agreement with VitalChek for payment processing for birth and death records.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Agreement with LexisNexis for payment processing for foods, pools, and septic permits.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the agreement pending approval from the County Attorney, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

VIII. YOUTH SERVICES – Rebecca Humphrey stated that this is an addendum to an existing contract with Dr. Brandy Oliver and reflects the change in the business name.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the addendum as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Commissioner Byers requested an update on the Youth Services program. Ms. Humphrey passed out a one-page summary of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) and noted that in the last 8 years overall juvenile arrests were down 29%, the secure detention admissions were down 61% and the juvenile felony arrests were down 72%.

IX. OPENING BIDS FOR SALE OF 2270 KLONDIKE ROAD

The County Attorney opened the only bid, it was from Derrin Sorenson for \$50,000. He recommended: it be taken under advisement, the decision to proceed could be made at the Commissioners' June 4th meeting, the County Council then needs to approve it, and

then a public hearing, possibly at the Commissioners' July 2nd meeting with advertising and final action.

- Commissioner Byers moved to take the bid under advisement, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

X. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

- Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett introduced Yadira Salazar, the new Accounts Payable and Duplicating Clerk.
- Congressional School Fund Update – Bob Plantenga presented the report that documented the interest that will be paid to the local school corporations (\$1,156.67) as required by the Fund.
 - Commissioner Brown moved to accept the report, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

XI. REPORTS ON FILE

- Central Mail and Duplicating
- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Crystal Creek Boarding Kennel

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT

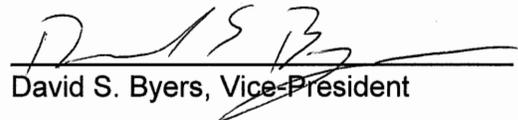
Ken McCammon said he was a part of Ink Promotions who are sponsoring a concert at the Amphitheater June 14. He was concerned about how expensive the initial estimate was for security from the Tippecanoe Emergency Management Agency. Commissioner Brown responded that the initial estimate was based on few details and was very preliminary. He added that public safety personnel will be meeting Thursday with updated information and will develop a new estimate.

Commissioner Byers moved to adjourn. President Murtaugh adjourned the meeting.

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ATTEST:



Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor 06/4/2018