

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 17, 2022

10:00 am

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

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

Also present: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Robert Plantenga

Absent Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett and Recording Secretary Samantha Perez.

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – President Byers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance

- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from Monday, October 3, 2022.
 - Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

- III. **PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Auditor Plantenga presented and recommended:

The claims from October 5, 2022, through October 17, 2022, were recommended for approval without exception.

 - Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Accounts Payable as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

- IV. **PRESENTATION OF PAYROLL** – Auditor Plantenga presented and recommended:

The payroll from October 14, 2022, was recommended for approval without exception.

 - Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Payroll as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

- V. **HIGHWAY** – Stewart Kline presented and recommended:
 - LPA Consulting Contract
 - A. Lochmueller Group, Replacement of Bridges 80 & 83, CR 700 W over Flint Creek (#80) and CR 510 S over Flint Creek (#83) - \$990,500
 - Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the contract as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

 - 450 S Reconstruction Project
 - A. Warranty Deed - ROW Purchase Parcel 3, 3A, & 3C - \$1,338,420
 - B. Temporary easement Grant – Parcel 3B - \$7,900
 - Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Warranty Deed, ROW, and Temporary Easement Grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

 - Morehouse Road
 - A. Warranty Deed – ROW Purchase Parcel 19 - \$17,300
 - B. Temporary easement Grant – Parcel 19A & 19B - \$1,500

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Warranty Deed, ROW and Temporary Easement Grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

VI. HUMAN RESOURCES- Shirly Mennen presented:

2023 Holiday Schedule

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the 2023 Holiday Schedule as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

VII. GM DEVELOPMENT COMPANIES, LLC – Commissioner Murtaugh presented:

The October disbursement request for the BOT project for Community Corrections and the new Jail building in the amount of \$1,303,837.99 and for Trane for the Solar Array Project in the amount of \$44,299.90. This project is wrapping up with the jail building set to be completed in November and the Community Corrections project set for completion in December. However, roof top HVAC units are on back order which could delay the projects.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the disbursement requests as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

VIII. CLOUDPOINT GEOSPATIAL, INC. AGREEMENT FOR GIS PARCEL WORK, Auditor Plantenga presented:

This Professional Services agreement for Parcel Records Cleanup and Migration to Parcel Fabric in ArcGIS Pro. Auditor Plantenga stated this is updated software for parcel descriptions and visuals. Commissioner Murtaugh asked if this helps with the lines within Beacon to be more accurate? Auditor Plantenga stated this upgrade will be visible in GIS when zooming in on a parcel.

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

IX. GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE INDIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER PROGRAM – Amy Hutchinson presented and recommended:

This grant is through the Public Defender Commission which would provide reimbursements for the third and fourth quarter of this year from the TPR cases. Commissioner Murtaugh asked if this was in addition to the normal reimbursements? Amy stated yes and elaborated by saying this is money for public defense on termination of parental rights. Commissioner Murtaugh asked if this money would continue into next year? Amy stated she has not heard about the continuation into next year, but this agreement runs through the end of this year.

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

X. PROJECT SAFE NEIJBORHOOD AWARD – Pat Harrington presented and recommended:

This is the continuing of the Project Safe Neighborhood Award. Last year \$59,000 was received. This year it drops as it normally does to \$40,000.

- Commissioner Brown moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

XI. GRANTS – Sharon Hutchison presented and recommended:

Permission to Apply for Grants:

A. For the Solid Waste Management District, to submit a grant application to IDEM Community Recycling Grant Program to mail out virtual information regarding proper recycling techniques in the County. There is a 25% match for this project.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Permission to Accept Grant Funds:

A. For CASA, from CASA for KIDS Foundation, in the amount of \$22,000, to secure a safe vehicle to transport the caseworkers, volunteers, and clients to and from court visits or appointments.

- Commissioner Brown moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

B. Superior 3, from Court Improvement Program Grant Award, in the amount of \$2,000, for education and training. The match from Superior 3 budget will qualify for this grant.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

C. LEPC/ EMA, from IDHS, in the amount of \$20,000, for the 2023 HMEP grant to cover training for HAZMAT team members with the most current information. No match from the County for this grant.

- Commissioner Brown moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

XII. REPORTS ON FILE

- Building Commission September 2022 Report
- Clerk's Office September 2022 Report
- Treasure's Office September 2022 Report
- Tippecanoe County Library October 2022 Report

XIII. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

- None

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Tim Clark *6875 West Arrowhead Drive* stated he is holding an ACT (Accessibility Coalition of Tippecanoe) meeting for ADA compliance next Tuesday for the public to attend. Due to witnessing individuals around the community filing lawsuits against businesses that are not accessible he would like to cover how that relates to us as Government entities and what the Department of Justice requires from the community. President Byers asked what the meeting time is, and Mr. Clark stated six o'clock on Tuesday the 25th.

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

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David S. Byers, President

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ATTEST:

Robert A Plantenga, Auditor 11/07/2022

Minutes prepared by Samantha Perez, Recording Secretary