

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 18, 2019
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, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary John Thomas.

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – President Byers called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from the regular meeting on Monday, March 4, 2019 and the special meeting on Tuesday, March 12, 2019.
 - Commissioner Murtaugh 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 March 7, 2019 through March 18, 2019, including payroll from March 8, 2019 were recommended for approval without exception.

 - Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- IV. **SEVERE WEATHER PROCLAMATION**

Tippecanoe Emergency Management Director William “Smokey” Anderson, Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski, West Lafayette Mayor John Dennis, Purdue Environmental Health and Public Safety Director Carol Shelby and Commissioner David Byers read a proclamation and reminded everyone to be prepared for emergencies. Mr. Anderson noted that there will be a statewide severe weather alert test tomorrow at 10:15 am.
- V. **SHERIFF** – Robert Goldsmith
 - A. Sheriff's Office and Jail Video Upgrade Project - Scott Carnegie from DLZ presented the proposed scope of work, schedule and estimated costs for the upgraded camera system.
 - Commissioner Brown moved to accept the update summary as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.
 - B. Bid proposals for the Jail Medical Services contract were opened by Attorney Masson from: Valley Oaks, Quality Correctional Care and Advanced Correctional Healthcare and recommended they be taken under advisement. He stated that a committee will meet to evaluate the proposals and make its recommendation to the Commissioners at the April 15 meeting.
 - Commissioner Brown moved to take the bids under advisement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.
 - C. Requested permission to apply for a matching grant for bulletproof vests, and a grant from the local Drug Free Coalition for \$5,000 to purchase equipment.
 - Commissioner Brown moved to give permission to apply for the grants as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

VI. ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS COLISEUM

Attorney Masson recommended the bid from Shepler Construction Co. be accepted for \$3,066,000 with no alternatives.

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

VII. HIGHWAY – Stewart Kline

- A. **Utility Agreement** with Mulberry Telephone Company for the County Road 450S/430S project from US 52 to Newcastle Road Project.
- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- B. **Permit to Close or Block a County Highway** for the “Laces for Lisa” 5K Race April 27, 2019, 9:30am-11:00am, from McCutcheon High School to CR 500S, S 100E and return. The road will not be closed just restricted with off duty officers at intersections and volunteers along the route.
- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the permit as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- C. **Continuation Certificate** for Tr-County Telephone Company and the West Point Telephone Company Inc (both d/b/a TDS Telecom) for \$5,000 each to work in all County Rights of Way.
- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Certificates as submitted, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

VIII. COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES (CASA) – Coleen Connor

- A. **New Position** for a staff advocate-outreach coordinator. It will be a regular part time, PAT 3 position that is already funded through a CASA for Kids Grant and it has been reviewed by the Personnel Department.
- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the new position as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- B. **Request to apply for Grants** from the State for temporary office space improvements, equipment and laptops for \$11,000 during courthouse renovation, and a public relations grant for \$8,565.
- Commissioner Brown moved to approve requesting the grants as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

IX. YOUTH SERVICES – Rebecca Humphrey

- A. **Recognition of Captain Kurt Wolf** on his retirement for his championing the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative and the Policing the Teen Brain program. An award has been established in his name for leadership in youth programs.
- B. **Contract with Gottlieb and Wertz** for upgrades to the school notification system when a youth is arrested (\$3,000 grant).
- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the contract as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.
- C. **Permission to apply for JDAI Performance Based Grant** for \$49,500 to continue the School Justice Partnerships. Six grants were awarded out of 32 statewide applications.
- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to grant permission to apply as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- D. **Permission to apply for a Department of Correction’s Discretionary Funds** for an additional \$14,450 for evidenced based practices.
- Commissioner Brown moved to grant permission to apply as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh Motion carried.

E. **Approval to update the Cary Home Advisory Board Packet** to reflect new members and now includes the Cary Home for Girls. The Board approved the packet at their meeting on March 11, 2019.

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

F. **Approval of ORDINANCE 2019-07-CM**

- Commissioner Brown moved to consider ORDINANCE 2019-07-CM, second by Commissioner Murtaugh.

The Ordinance updates the County Code for the Cary Home Advisory Board that oversee the Jessie Levering Cary Home and the Cary Home for Girls. It decreases the representation by the Department of Child Services (DCS) and increases local representation to two on the Board.

President Byers called for the vote on first reading and Auditor Plantenga recorded:

Commissioner Byers	Yes
Commissioner Brown	Yes
Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes

Ordinance 2019-07-CM passed on first reading, 3-0.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to suspend the rules and hear the ordinance on second reading, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.
- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to consider ORDINANCE 2019-07-CM on second reading, second by Commissioner Brown.

President Byers called for the vote on second reading and Auditor Plantenga recorded:

Commissioner Brown	Yes
Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes
Commissioner Byers	Yes

Ordinance 2019-07-CM passed on second and final reading, 3-0.

G. **Appointments to Cary Home Advisory Board** were approved by the Advisory Board at its last meeting.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the appointments of Sheriff Robert Goldsmith, Kurt Wolf, Lt Jay Rosen, and Ashley Jones from DCS to the Board, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

X. **HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Amanda Balsler**

Permission to Apply for Grants funds:

A. Drug Free Coalition grant for \$7,600 to help pay for a recovery coach for the Gateway to Hope program.

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

B. Grant from the Federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration for \$500,000. It will be submitted jointly with the Sheriff, Community Corrections and Purdue University College of Pharmacy for substance abuse services programs at the Jail and Community Corrections and will cover training, personnel as well as equipment costs.

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

C. Memorandum of Understanding with the Indiana State Department of Health for \$4,800 to help pay for two summer interns.

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

XI. **LETTER OF INTENT**

Lease of 10 N 3rd Street with Holder Law Office for CASA during the reconstruction of the 5th floor of the courthouse. Attorney Masson recommended that the motion be to approve the letter and authorize the President to sign a lease.

- Commissioner Brown moved approve the letter of intent and authorize the President to sign the lease as discussed, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

XII. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS – None


XIII. REPORTS ON FILE

- Tippecanoe County Public Library
- Central Mail and Duplicating
- Clerk of the Circuit Court
- Tippecanoe County Treasurer
- Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

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

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE



David S. Byers, President



Tracy A. Brown, Vice-President

Absent

Thomas P. Murtaugh, Member

ATTEST:



Robert A Plantenga, Auditor 4/1/2019

Minutes prepared by John Thomas, Recording Secretary