

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
2524 CORYDON PIKE SUITE 104  
NEW ALBANY IN 47150**

November 19, 2019

6:00 p.m.

**Commissioner President, Billy Stewart, opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Roll Call: Present** – Billy Stewart, John Schellenberger, Shawn Carruthers

**Also Present:** Rick Fox, Attorney; Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor; James Sinks, Assessor; Denise Konkle, Council President; Brad Striegel, Council Vice President; Dale Bagshaw, Council Member; Arnie Schnobrich, HR Director

**Old Business:**

**1. Floyd County Attorney- Rick Fox**

- a. FCO 2019-29 Dedicating Funds from the Investment Income Arising from the sale of the County Hospital to needed Infrastructure Improvements

County Council passed FCO 2019-29 for 15 Million Dollars with 7 Million Dollars with a 2 year spend rate for Capital Improvements with the intent to give the 8 Million Dollars with a 3 year spend rate in 2022.

Mr. Schellenberger is in favor of identifying the total 15 Million upfront – 7 Million for Commissioners with a 2 year spend rate. The 8 Million put as a line item and in 2022 would get that with a 3 year spend rate.

Denise Konkle stated the consensus of the council was that you can't hold future bodies to something that you pass now. It is included in the ordinance that it is the intent of the council to give the other 8 Million in 2 years.

Mr. Striegel concurred with Ms. Konkle

**Motion to approve FCR 2019-16 that outlines 7 Million with a 2 yr spend rate and 8 Million in 2022 with a 3 yr spend rate. Motion died for lack of 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Motion to approve FCO 2019-29. Moved by Shawn Carruthers; seconded by Billy Stewart; opposed by John Schellenberger. Motion passed with a 2-1 vote. Since it is an ordinance it will require a second reading, scheduled for next meeting.**

**New Business:**

**1. Appointment for Public Defender Board**

Justin. Endris' appointment expires November 26, 2019. Requesting to reappoint for a 3 year term.

**Motion to reappoint Mr. Endris for a 3 year term. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Schellenberger recommended the next appointment needs to be a criminal attorney to balance the Public Defender Board. All of the current Public Defenders are civil attorneys.

**2. Floyd County Corrections Officer-Shiloh Harris**

- a. Contract Agreement

**Motion to table until next meeting. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**3. Floyd County HR Director-Arnie Schnobrich**

- a. Hoosier Start/Deferred Compensation matching Agreement

Arnie Schnobrich stated that the county is not in compliance with the State. The new resolution prohibits the use of matching funds of \$17.50 that is supposed to go into the retirement fund to be used for medical insurance premiums and will no longer be authorized for someone not to sign up for Deferred Compensation and making a contribution to 457B from getting the match. The New resolution will take effect January 1, 2020.

**Motion to approve of the Resolution of adoption agreement for participating of local political subdivision in regards to Hoosier Start. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

**4. Director of Operations-Don Lopp**

- a. Bid Openings O'Brien Property

1<sup>st</sup> bid - Temple and Temple- \$7,230.00

2<sup>nd</sup> bid – CCE – \$10,875.00

3<sup>rd</sup> bid - Dan Cristiani – \$7,935.00

**Motion to take bids under advisement. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

- b. Innovation Park Update - Phase 1 started October 23. Structure 1 will be in place this week. Structure 10 & 11 will be in place by November 30. Contactor advised they will be hitting milestones.
- c. Stellar Communities Update – Steering Committee will meet December 4, 6:00 PM at Pineview Government Center
- d. FCO 2019-32 Establishing Fund for Commissioners Capital Projects

**Motion to approve FCO 2019-32 Establishing Non Reverting Fund for County Commissioners Hospital Proceeds Fund. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

- e. Accessible Playground Contract.

Cost of equipment at Kevin Hammersmith Park is \$ 146,981.00. There is a CWO Grant to cover half of equipment cost. A committee is being formed to find funds for the remaining funds with private and public partnership.

**Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

## **5. Board & Committee Reports**

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

**Motion to approve payroll and claims. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Lopp asked for clarification on annual bid process. Asking for direction on communication to potential bidders on how to do a catalog type process and to identify their bids through the catalog instead of single bid sheets.

Mr. Stewart stated that we can cherry pick bids by using the catalog process.

**Motion to keep catalog bidding process as previously done. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Lopp asking for update on security on Pineview Government Center and Reisz. He stated there was an incidence where a citizen brought a gun in to Pineview and was showing an employee. That particular employee did not feel threatened but other

employees are concerned for their safety. He feels the safety of the staff at Pineview and Reisz should be the same as the staff at the City County building.

Mr. Stewart does not feel the situation was threatening and does not warrant hiring an armed guard. Mr. Stewart would like to consult with an expert to see what options are available. An armed officer at both Pineview and Reisz would cost the county \$480,000.00 a year.

Mr. Carruthers stated that options are being considered.

Denise Konkle requested that we move forward on Reisz. Pineview should be a separate decision with different needs.

Mr. Schellenberger stated that both buildings should be considered at the same time.

**Motion for Mr. Lopp to locate funds of \$480,000.00 and look into other options for December 5 meeting. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

Mr. Schellenberger attended Redevelopment Meeting November 19.

Mr. Carruthers attended a Horseshoe Foundation meeting on November 13. Grand opening for the renovations of the casino is December 13. On November 25 @ 4:30 PM grants will be awarded to applicants. Hazelwood Middle school will be a part of Wreath Laying @ National Cemetery on December 13 @ 1:45 PM. He also welcomed the new Chief Deputy Auditor.

Jason Applegate reported on replacement of Director for River Hills. A candidate has been chosen and will be up for recommendation by the board on November 20. If approved the candidate will be offered the job.

**Today's Meetings:**

4:30 P.M. Solid Waste

**Next Commissioners Meeting:**

Thursday, December, 5 2019 @ 6:00 p.m.

**Joint Commissioners/ County Council Meeting to discuss Independent Ambulance Study**

December 10, 2019 @ 3:00 or 3:30 Tentative

**Public**

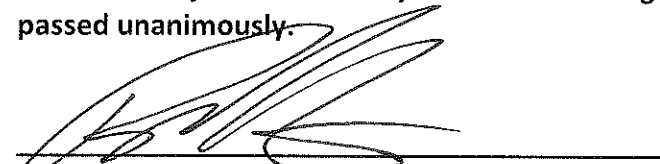
Mr. Moore asked what the county was paying for in Innovation Park. Mr. Schellenberger stated that the county is only paying for the infrastructure, not buildings.

George Mouser, 6411 Philip Schmidt Road – Mr. Mouser stated his opinion on the gun issues and the safety of government employees. He is questioning the November 18 Plan Commission Meeting on FC 101928 and FC 101929. As soon as the meeting started those two items on the agenda were tabled with no explanation and asked the crowd of people that have come for these two items could leave the meeting. Mr. Mouser asked why this happens. Mr. Carruthers answered him that the two items were cancelled by the builders on the day of the meeting.

Mr. Mouser feels that the Planning Commission tables items continuously until the crowds diminish so they can get items passed.


A gentleman came forward to ask if the Probation Office that is located in the Reisz building could be relocated to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor of the City/County Building after the City offices relocate saving on the security that needs to take place. Mr. Stewart stated that this has been discussed and that it is uncertain when the City offices will be moved. It will cost the one million dollars to renovate for the probation offices.

**Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger; seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**



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Billy Stewart, President



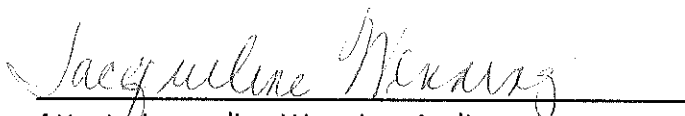
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John Schellenberger, Commissioner



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Shawn Carruthers, Commissioner



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Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor