

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
September 15, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

Shawn Carruthers called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present – President Shawn Carruthers, Vice President John Schellenberger and Tim Kamer

Also Present - Attorney Rick Fox, Auditor Jacqueline Wenning, Assessor James Sinks, Councilman Dale Bagshaw and HR Director Michelle Portwood

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for all in the community that have been affected by COVID.

New Business:

1. River Hills Economic Development District-Cory Cochran

Cory Cochran introduced himself as the new Executive Director of River Hills Economic Development. He gave an overview of River Hills projects.

2. Director of Operations & Planning-Don Lopp
 - a. Novaparke Update

Don Lopp stated they are finishing up on Phase one. There is a change order #8 for \$14,267.03 for fire hydrants.

Motion to approve change order #8. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Broadband Project Update

Don Lopp stated he is waiting to hear from Spectrum on the number regarding student sponsorship through the school cooperation. He and Mr. Fox will have a conversation on the longer term Broadband improvement district.

- c. OCRA COVID Project Update

Don Lopp stated the county received \$50,000.00 grant. They are working with Hope Southern Indiana to provide 75 packages that will be distributed to homeless and 250 senior food boxes.

- d. Building and Development Software Project RFP Selection

Don Lopp stated they received bids for software. They would like to start negotiations with Central Square Technologies since they scored the highest.

Motion to allow Don and his staff to start negotiations with Central Square for software for Building and Development. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Paving Update

Don Lopp gave an update on paving projects. He stated he spoke with Ronnie Tuell and he believes paving will be completed by the end of October.

3. Our Place Drug and Alcohol Education Services, Inc-Casey Newsmith

a. Review Results of the Partnership for Success Grant

Casey Nesmith stated in 2015 Floyd County was identified as at-risk for prescription drug abuse issues. They were awarded a grant to address this before it became more of a problem. They partner with the Health Department, Sheriff Department, Baptist Health Floyd, local schools and several local businesses. They work with doctors, dentists, pharmacists and veterinarians on monitoring the distribution of prescription drugs.

4. Floyd County Probation Officer-Michael Coriell

a. Indiana Criminal Justice Institute grant for Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF)

Michael Coriell stated they requested a grant of \$113,000.00 for materials. The departments' requests were for overtime for the Sheriff's Department and licensure to conduct training online. Also requested were computers and scanners for probation and correction officers to work from home. The courts requested equipment to hold initial hearings through Zoom and PPE items.

Motion to accept the grant. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Board & Committee Reports

John Schellenberger stated we continue to submit claims to CARES for COVID related expenses reimbursement and FEMA for overtime.

John Schellenberger and Shawn Carruthers attended a luncheon at National Guard Armory. It was an opportunity to meet the local Nation Guard and staff. They were informed of their mission and toured the facility. Shawn Carruthers stated that it was very informative.

John Schellenberger gave a presentation on the history of Regional Development Authority (RDA) in Floyd County.

- Approval of the September 1, 2020 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Today's Meetings:

4:30-Solid Waste

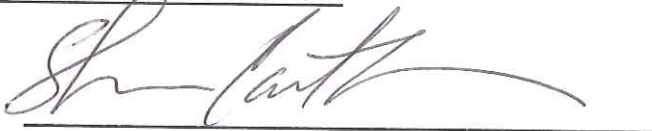
Next Commissioners Meeting:

October 6, 2020-6:00 p.m.

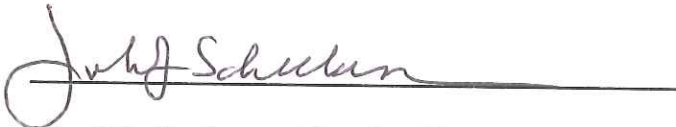
Councilman, Dale Bagshaw, stated that he was involved with the approval of RDA in Floyd County.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

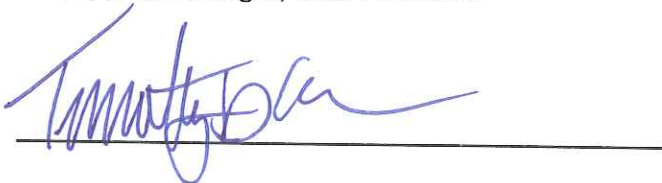
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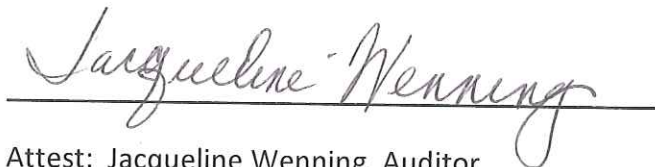
Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor