**Meeting Minutes**

**Board of Commissioners**

**Virtual**

**February 16, 2021**

**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:** Assessor James Sinks, Auditor Jacqueline Wenning, Council members Connie Moon and Brad Striegel and HR Director Michelle Portwood

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for the nation and for anyone affected by COVID

**Old Business:**

1. Floyd County Building and Development Director-Justin Tackett-**TABLED**
   1. FCO 2021-4 Zoning Ordinance Amendment Commercial Design Standard

**New Business:**

1. Public Hearing – OCRA Phase 3 COVID 19 – Chelsea Crump River Hills-**TABLED**
2. David Bauer – Bridlewood Subdivision
   1. Request to modify Development Agreement and Road Cut Fees

Chris Jackson with Cristiani representing David Bauer stated they would like to modify the Development Agreement. The Development Agreement states that if they have an approved set of plans at any point in time that the County makes a road improvement the County could potentially come back to them, as a developer, and say the sewer line is in the way and the developer would have to pay relocation.

Don Lopp stated this agreement has been in plans since 2010.

Attorney Rick Fox stated that any changes should be gone through at the approval process.

Chris Jackson stated they made a mistake by not getting core samples that are required by the County before the binder asphalt is laid. Cristiani is asking for a variance of this process. They have to warrant the road for 1 year. As a Developer they have to walk through with the County when eighty percent of the development is built before the surface asphalt is laid to remove and replace any areas that have cracked asphalt, broken curbs and anything like that. Cristiani and the Developer are willing to write a letter to extend the warranty.

Rick Fox stated that in 2008/2009 they had developers that went under and the County was left paying for all repairs in some subdivisions.

Don Lopp stated that they would want more money on the bond on the base and binder or get core samples now.

**Motion to table until they can speak with Horacio Urieta and discuss at the next meeting. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.**

1. Floyd County Community Corrections-Karen Bell
   1. Community Corrections Advisory Board

Karen Bell stated that according to IC 11-12-2-2 that the County Commissioners appoint several positions to the Community Corrections Advisory Board. A letter was submitted with the Board’s recommendations. It is a four-year appointment. The Commissioners do not have an appointment but John Schellenberger will be appointed as a lay person.

**Motion to approve the members on the February 11 email for the Community Corrections Advisory Board. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Motion passed unanimously.**

1. Director of Operations and Planning
   1. Equipment Quotes – Tractor(s), Mower, Overhead

Don Lopp requested to accept the low bid of $74,000.00 from AG Revolution for 2 tractors with side mowers and $46,500.00 for Overhead Mowers from AG Revolution.

John Schellenberger asked if they are accepting the bids because it is the lowest bid or do they need to go with something more expensive if it would last longer.

Don Lopp stated that Ronnie Tuell wanted to go with a different type of mower and they were checked out by the mechanic also. They are 1996 tractors.

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

* 1. Equipment – Truck Purchase Process

Don Lopp stated that Road Department is requesting to purchase 3 trucks. He stated that Mr. Tuell would like to purchase Freightliners to complete the fleet due to compatibility of use, parts and accessories. He would also like to get approval to get an application from Bond Bank for Financing. Rates are at 1-2% at this time.

Don Lopp stated these are tandom axle trucks.

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

* 1. Landscape Architect Contract – SR 64-62 Gateway – Heritage Engineering

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

* 1. Kevin Hammersmith Memorial Park – Accessible Playground – Patronicity Funding Program

Don Lopp asked for a signed MOU to move forward with the Patronicity Funding Program to raise money for the new playground. It is a platform that allows for crowd funding with matched dollars from the state up to $50,000.00.

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

* 1. East McCarthy Road – EWC Water Project – Update

Don Lopp stated they have been working with Edwardsville Water and local residents. They have sent out a request to Office of Community and Rural affairs for a possible grant.

Tim Kamer stated he represents Franklin Township and thanked Don Lopp for his efforts.

* 1. DHPW – Employee Recognition

Don Lopp wanted to recognize the Road Department Employee Recognition for years of service.

5-year – Mark Barnes, Bob Huth, John Miller, Marvin Shane

10-year – Chuck Caldwell

1. FCR 2021-3 Opposing HB 1381

John Schellenberger stated HB 1381 has to do with Solar Energy Panels. The Indiana Association of County Commissioners (IACC) is against the bill because it takes away a lot of local control of land use and it needs to stay in the county to go through Planning Commission and possibly through the Commissioners. The IACC drafted a resolution that Rick Fox reviewed and approved. Mr. Schellenberger read the Resolution into record.

**Motion to approve FCR 2021-3 Opposing HB 1381 and allow Commissioners to sign outside of the meeting. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.**

1. Board & Committee Reports

Tim Kamer stated the previously scheduled Fire District meeting was cancelled. There is another meeting schedule on February 17, 2021.

John Schellenberger stated on February 5 he and Shawn Carruthers drove to Madison to attend the meeting of Regional Development. The next meeting will be in Scott County. Floyd County will host in August.

Commissioners Carruthers and Schellenberger sat in on the weekly EMA call.

John Schellenberger attended the Redevelopment Commission meeting. He mentioned that Don Lopp stated that they are getting close to obtaining the right of way with CSX so they can start the overpass into Novaparke.

Shawn Carruthers stated that he wanted to thank the individuals that started the RDA to bring money into this region.

Shawn Carruthers attended the Horseshoe Foundation meeting. He stated that the Kentucky Science Center has requested money from Horseshoe.

* Approval of the February 2, 2021 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

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

* Approval of Payroll and Claims

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

**Today’s Meetings**

Solid Waste-4:30 p.m. **CANCELLED**

**Next Commissioners Meeting:**

March 2, 2021-6:00 p.m.

John Schellenberger stated the COVID vaccines are going well. They have had to cancel and reschedule some appointments due to inclement weather. He gave a shout out to all the volunteers. He thanked the Road Department, EMA, Health Department and Suzanna Worrall.

Shawn Carruthers stated he would like to thank Don Lopp and his management of the salt.

Brad Striegel, County Council, stated he has received communication from constituents of Floyd County giving praise to the Road Department.

James Sinks, Assessor, praised the Road Department and thanked Commissioner Schellenberger for staying on top of HB 1831.

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

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Shawn Carruthers, President

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John Schellenberger, Vice President

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Tim Kamer, Commissioner

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Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor