

Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
February 7, 2023
6:00 P.M.

Tim Kamer called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*

Tim Kamer led the invocation

Present: President, Tim Kamer; Vice President, Al Knable; and John Schellenberger

Also Present: Attorney, Rick Fox; Auditor, Diana Topping; Sheriff, Steve Bush and Councilman, Dale Bagshaw

Motion to add agenda item #8 Davis Tower Contract to the agenda. Moved by Al Knable.

Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

1. County Attorney Contract

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

2. 2nd Reading of FCO 2023-04 Establish an Opioid Advisory Committee

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. Operations & Public Works

- a. Bridge 51 Update-Horacio Urieta

Horacio Urieta stated the work on the pier on Bridge 51 is completed.

- b. Bid Opening-Community Crossing Grant-Horacio Urieta

Louisville Paving - \$1,925,557.78

C&R - \$1,399,058.30

Mac Construction – \$1,509,378.02

E&B - \$1,353,600.00

Libs Paving - \$1,453,862.30

Motion to take under advisement. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

- c. FCO 2023-05 Amendment to the American Rescue Plan-Don Lopp

Don Lopp stated the amendment is for election machines for \$100,000.00.

Motion to approve with unanimous consent. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

- d. Charter - Grant Agreement - American Rescue Plan-Don Lopp

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

e. Selection Archaeological Firm - LWCF - Regional Park Project-Don Lopp
Don Lopp stated three RFP were received and were scored by himself, Mr. Creevy and Mr. Moore.

HDR - 87

Environment and Archeological Services – 83.3

Stantec - 84.3

He recommended going with HDR with the highest RFP score and asked to allow the contract be sent to Mr. Fox to review and have Mr. Kamer sign outside of the meeting.

Motion to approve HDR contract and have Tim Kamer sign outside of the meeting. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Southern Indiana Works-Jodie Beatty
 - a. S.I.W. Work One Presentation

3. Dan Cristiani Excavating Inc.-Derek Misch
 - a. Approval of Road Cut and Traffic Control for Paoli Pike and Buffalo Trail Water Main project for Floyds Knobs Water Co.

Derek Misch asked for approval for lane closures during the water main project.

February 21-22 – shift lanes to connect to existing water main in the middle of Paoli Pike

February 23-24 – shift lanes to get out of Paoli Pike in to the grass area.

February 27- March 10 – flagging operation with one lane closed

Weather delay schedule:

February 23-24 – shift lanes to connect to existing water main in the middle of Paoli Pike

February 27-28 – shift lanes to get out of Paoli Pike into the grass area.

March 1 - March 14 – flagging operation with one lane closed

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

4. One Southern Indiana-John Launius
 - a. 2022 Economic Development Presentation

Wendy Dant-Chesser, One Southern Indiana, asked the Commissioner to consider giving \$15,000.00 a year instead of the \$10,000.00 currently given.

Tim Kamer suggested they look into grants from the Legacy Foundation.

John Schellenberger stated previous the READI program was federal dollars but now it is state dollars with less red tape.

Al Knable thanked Don Lopp, the Commissioners and One Southern Indiana for freeing up dollars for local businesses in need and encourage businesses to take advantage of the opportunity for zero interest loans for the areas affected by the road construction in New Albany and Sherman Minton Bridge. He thanked his former colleagues on the New Albany City Council for their decision the night before.

5. Our Place Drug & Alcohol Educations Service, Inc.-Meribeth Adams
 - a. Nalox Box discussion

Meribeth Adams stated the boxes are stocked with Norcan that the Health Department helps keep stocked. They have 18 sites throughout the community. She asked for permission to add one to the Adult Probation Department.

Motion to approve. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

6. LifeSpring Health Systems-Ellen Kelley

a. LOSS Team

Ellen Kelley stated Indiana's suicide rate is higher than the national rate and Floyd County is higher than Indiana rate. She stated we can come together as a community, focus on education and lower suicide rate. They are expanding their suicide prevention coalition. She invited anyone that is interested in joining to the meeting on the third Saturday of the month.

Ms. Kelley stated they are launching a LOSS team, a group of people that is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to assist families when they experience a suicide loss.

They are looking forward to working with Floyd County Coroner.

7. County Attorney-Rick Fox

a. FCO 2023-06 Establishing EMS Board

Tim Kamer reviewed FCO 2023-06 Establishing EMS Board.

John Schellenberger suggested replacing one ER Doctor to one Emergency Medicine position.

Al Knable stated this is a step in the right direction. He pointed out the one expert in EMS Fire is a critical position and would like to receive a lot of resumes. Resumes can be received by the 24th of February with appointments made in the first meeting of March.

Motion to approve FCO 2023-06 with unanimous consent. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

b. FCR 2023-04 Resolution concerning Agenda Items

The Resolution states the posting of an agenda item is subject to 48 hours before the meeting and supporting documents are to be disseminated prior to the 48 hours before the respected meeting.

Motion to approve. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Sheriff-Steve Bush

a. Davis Radio Tower Contract

Sheriff, Steve Bush, stated the Davis Towers are being sold in March. Rick Fox stated there are two options for the contracts. Sheriff Bush stated the Floyds Knobs Tower does not need a long term agreement. Mr. Fox stated a two year contract with five 2 year options would be best for the Floyds Knobs Tower. On the Doolittle Tower, a 5 year contract with five 2 year options would be best.

Mr. Fox stated the annual cost for Doolittle Tower is \$39,377.40 and \$32,276.40 for Floyds Knobs Tower. The cost is subject to an increase of the greater of 3-1/2% or the consumer price index number after the first year.

Motion to approve for the Floyds Knobs tower a two year contract with five 2 year options and Doolittle Tower with a five year with five 2 year options and have Commissioner Kamer

sign outside of the meeting. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Hotel Rate above \$150.00

Auditor, Diana Topping, asked for exception to process a claim for Judge Granger that the hotel amount exceeds the County approved amount. The Commissioners questioned about a room upgrade charge and would like more information.

Motion to table. Moved by Al Knable. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Board & Committee Reports

John Schellenberger

- Attended the mid-term planning conference for LMPC. They will do an exercise to immitate a spill on the river in June.
- Will be attending a meeting in Indianapolis with Representatives and Senators to discuss Senate Bill One, health department bill and other bills.

Al Knable

- Attended the Purdue County Extension meeting with Councilman Bagshaw.
- Attended the Improve 64 INDOT meeting.
- Attended the Youth Shelter Meeting
- Attended the Emergency Food Shelter Programming

Tim Kamer

- Attended the County Council Workshop for the Building Projects
- Attended the KIPDA Board and Regional Meeting

The Commissioners attended the Board of Finance Meeting

- Approval of the January 17, 2023 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

Today's Meetings

Stormwater-4:30 P.M.

Next Commissioners Meeting:

February 21, 2023-6:00 p.m.

The Commissioners thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and providing input.

Public

Dale Mann, Georgetown, asked for cameras in the Sheriff's vehicles. He asked how the efficiency study is going.

Doug Drake, Personal Counseling Services, stated he is happy about the Opioid Committee for the opioid settlement. He asked them to consider working with other agencies for Floyd County.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed unanimously.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Tim Kamer, President



Al Knable, Vice President



John Schellenberger, Commissioner



Attest: Diana M. Topping, Auditor