

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150
December 5, 2023
6:00 P.M.**

Al Knable called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*

Present: President, Al Knable, John Schellenberger and Jason Sharp

Also Present: Attorney, Rick Fox; Sheriff, Steve Bush; Recorder, Lois Endris; Councilpersons, Denise Konkle and Dale Bagshaw

Al Knable led a moment of silence, prayer, meditation or reflection

Motion to add a discussion of Insurance Fund encumbrance for 2024 Sexual Harassment training for the employees of Floyd County. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. Sexual Harassment Training

Al Knable stated this is a proactive measure. The County's insurance company requires course work to allow to have the policy. The amount for the training is \$3,500.00.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

2. Director of Operations and Planning-Don Lopp

a. Award contract SR 62 Traffic Signalization Project

The contract was awarded to Libs Paving for \$665,162.30. The contract will be paid out of ARP funds.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Commissioner-Jason Sharp

a. FCO 2023-45 Floyd County Animal Care and Control Ordinance

Jason Sharp thanked the people that helped vet and review the ordinance, April Mentor and Alyssa Underwood with Animal Protection Association and Elizabeth Starck, Southern Indiana Animal Rescue. He named the project after his pet Shih Tzu, Elvis to help him to focus on the importance of the standard of care for animals.

April Mentor stated she is thankful Floyd County decided to redo the outdated ordinance for the animals in the county.

John Schellenberger stated it is a well written document.

Al Knable stated it is a very timely update as population density changes.

Jason Sharp stated the five person board will be made up of a veterinarian, member of the Health Dept., law enforcement officer and two lay people from the community.

Motion to approve FCO 2023-45 Floyd County Animal Care and Control Ordinance with unanimous consent. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Animal Control Contract

Jason Sharp stated the provider for Animal Control in Floyd County is New Washington Animal Control Services. Mr. Draper stated the shelter is off of State Road 62 in Jeffersonville.

Motion to approve Animal Control Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

c. RFP Pre-Hospital Care Emergency Medical Ambulance Services for Floyd County not to Include the City of New Albany

Jason Sharp thanked the members of EMS Advisory Board to create the RFP. John Schellenberger stated, as a member of the Advisory Board, that they have a good cross section of experience and believe they have done their due diligence.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Commissioner-Al Knable

a. Appointments to the Floyd County Health Board

Rick Fox stated a new statute passed dealing with Hospital Boards. The statute provides all appointments will be Floyd County appointments. There can only be 4 individuals to the same political party.

Motion to appoint Dr. Luanne Jensen – 2 year term to the Board of Health. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to appoint Luanne Didelot to a 4 year term to the Board of Health. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to appoint Dr. Dan Eichenberger to a 2 year term to the Board of Health. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by Al Knable. Motion passed. John Schellenberger abstained.

Motion to approve Dr. Steve Pahner to a 4 year term to the Board of Health. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion to appoint Dr. Kay Lowney for a 3 year term to the Board of Health. Moved by Jason Sharp. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Appointments to Georgetown Township Fire Protection Board

Attorney, Keith Pulliam, who represents Georgetown Township Fire Protection Board, submitted a letter stating the terms of Gary Kleeman, David Fehr and Travis Sharp will expire on December 31, 2023. All three have expressed a desire to serve another four year term. The board did not receive any other requests to serve from anyone else.

Motion to reappoint Mr. Fehr, Kleeman and Sharp. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Director of Public Works and County Engineer-Horacio Urieta

a. Annual Bid Openings

Motion to take bids under advisement. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

6. County Recorder-Lois Endris

- a. Floyd County Recorder Bulk Users Contract

Motion to approve Floyd County Recorder Bulk Users Contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

7. County Attorney-Rick Fox

- a. FCO 2023-46 Procedure to Allow Credit of Property Taxes to be Applied to Following Years Taxes

Motion to approve with unanimous consent. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of the Commissioners Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2023

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

- Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

Today's Meetings

Stormwater 4:30 p.m.

Next Commissioners Meeting:

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

Public

Dale Mann, Georgetown, asked what the plan is for if there are a load of cattle or farm animals that are on the interstate. Al Knable stated the document is a starting point and will need to be revised as situations arise.

Board and Committee Reports

John Schellenberger

- November 28-30 attended the annual Indiana County Commissioners conference in Indianapolis. There were many commissioners from most of the counties. We had 90 vendors that set up their booths. This was a great opportunity to meet vendors we are currently doing business with as well as a chance to meet new vendor offering a future service.
- Jack Coffman was elected President and I was elected Vice President of the Southeast Region. We attend monthly meetings at Indy at Barnes and Thorneburg law office.
- Thursday November 30, on the way back from Indy, I attended virtually the KIPDA TPO meeting

- Thursday November 30, attended the River Hills 4th Quarter meeting in Jeffersonville, we approved the 2024 budget
- Friday, December 1, interviewed candidates for the new Floyd County Health Board. We had many well qualified candidates.

Jason Sharp

- November 28 attended meeting with Councilmen, Bagshaw, Freiberger and Short to discuss budget inquiries with the Building Authority
- December 1 participated with the Health Board Interviews
- December 2 attended Christmas in the County Event

Al Knable

- November 27 attended Caesars Fall Grant Award Ceremony
- December 1 attended 2 meetings with Owners Rep from Envoy with regards to Building Projects for the County rehabilitation as well as new administrative facilities
- December 2 attended event with State Treasurer, Daniel Elliott. Denise Konkle, Brad Striegel and Treasurer Burks were also in attendance
- December 2 attended Christmas in the County. Estimated turnout was 9,300.
- December 3 attended Christmas event for Daughters of American Revolution at the Scribner House

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.

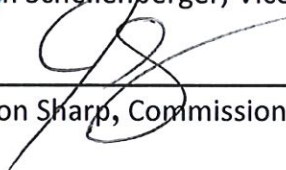
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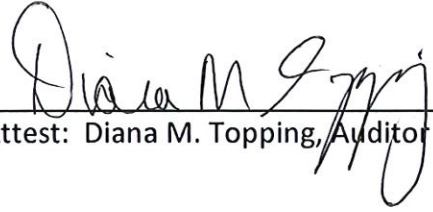
Al Knable, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Jason Sharp, Commissioner



Attest: Diana M. Topping, Auditor