

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MAY 4, 2015

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, May 4, 2015, at 4:00 p.m., in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice President Tyler Moore, and member Brad Bray. Also in attendance were County Attorney Larry Murrell, Assistant County Attorney Alan Wilson, and Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Steve Rogers and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Brad Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Vice President Tyler Moore offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the April 20, 2015 Regular Meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

The minutes of the April 28, 2015, Executive Session were submitted and reviewed. Present were County Commissioners Paul Wyman and Tyler Moore; County Councilmen Dwight Singer, John Roberts, Dick Miller, Stan Ortman, and Jim Papacek; Auditor Martha Lake; County Attorney Larry Murrell and Assistant County Attorney Alan Wilson; Community Corrections Director Ray Tetrault. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss strategy with respect to the possible purchase or lease of real property as authorized by IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D). A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Executive Session minutes dated April 28, 2015. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

IN THE MATTER OF A SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

At this time Sheriff Steve Rogers spoke about a scholarship project sponsored by the Indiana Sheriff’s Association. The Association recognizes the efforts of high school students who are considering a career in Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement. To encourage those students the Association has established a Scholarship Program for those who qualify. This year’s recipient is Ms. Savannah Palumbo, from Howard County. She is a 2015 graduate of Eastern High School and she plans to attend IUPUI majoring in Forensic and Investigative Science. Ms. Palumbo came to the podium to accept the \$500 Scholarship Award, pictures were taken, and applause received. Ms. Palumbo’s mother thanked the Sheriff’s Association and Sheriff Rogers for the scholarship.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

SHERIFF DEPARTMENT / DISPATCH 911

911 Coordinator Gary Bates submitted 911 Communication Services quotes as follows (*please refer to page one, “In The Matter of Departmental Reports, E911 Department” of the Regular Meeting minutes dated March 16, 2015*):

A T & T	\$688,545.00	over a 5-year period
INDigital Next Generation 911 Services	\$488,097.47	over a 5-year period plus extra expense

A motion was made by Mr. Moore to receive the quotes from A T & T and INDigital Next Generation 911 Services as submitted and take them under advisement for further review. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

1) Highway Engineer / Superintendent Ted Cain submitted a Supplemental Agreement No. 1, des no. 1400994, is between Howard County, Indiana and Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc., in order to include a historical analysis. This will increase the compensation paid to Butler, Fairman and Seufert, Inc., by \$22,500.00, from \$178,200.00 to \$200,700.00. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the Supplemental Agreement No. 1, des #1400994, for Bridge No. 508 as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

2) Now that the Highway Department has purchased a new roller, Mr. Cain would like to Request Quotes for another pick-up truck. A new trailer for the roller will need to be built and will cost less than \$6,000.00.

3) The LaFountain Street Bridge project will begin Monday, May 11th, and will continue for one hundred fifty days. State Road 213 will be closed between State Road 22 and State Road 26, and Mr. Cain will choose alternate roads for the duration of the project.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT:

Buildings and Grounds Superintendent Bill Stonestreet informed the Commissioners that the HVAC system at Howard Haven (County Home) needs to be replaced. The current equipment is about 20 + years old and is no longer being built. He has received a quote from United Refrigeration Inc., in the amount of \$6,316.77, and some equipment will need to be added to this amount. Mr. Stonestreet is requesting \$7,000.00, with \$3,500.00 to be paid from 1000-018-03253.02 (Equipment Repair – Howard Haven) and \$3,500.00 from 1138-000-04724.05 (Building Upgrades). A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the replacement of the HVAC system at Howard Haven in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00, to be paid from County General, Maintenance, and the Cumulative Capital Fund.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following Claims and Reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims payable May 8 and May 15, 2015, in the amount of \$376,268.38 each were submitted, and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims payable today, in the amount of \$693,749.94 were submitted, and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.
3. **Monthly Reports:** Ms. Lake submitted the Recorder's Monthly Reports for the month ending March 31, 2015, and the month ending April 30, 2015. Also submitted were the Veterans Service Office monthly reports for the month ending January 31, 2015; month ending February 28, 2015; the month ending March 31, 2015. All reports were received as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.
4. **Proposed Pay Schedule For Election Workers:** On behalf of Clerk Kim Wilson, Ms. Lake submitted a Current/Proposed Election Worker Pay Schedule. The schedule proposes; (1) to increase any poll worker who assumes the duties of an absent worker, to be compensated at 1.5 times; (2) the judge required to accompany the inspector back to the courthouse be compensated by an additional \$25.00, increasing their pay to \$125.00 per day; (3) increase the Inspector pay from \$125.00 per day to \$140.00 per day. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Current / Proposed Election Worker Pay Schedule as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

COMMISSIONER MOORE:

- 1) Mr. Moore submitted notices from 40th Parallel Surveying LLC, concerning a time change of the Public Hearing of the Howard County Drainage Board, to consider giving drainage board approval to McPike Storage expansion. The meeting time has been changed to 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the time change to 5:30 p.m. for the May 4th Drainage Board Public Hearing.
- 2) The Commissioners received a notice from Indiana Department of Environmental Management with the attached approval of the Construction Permit to construct a water pollution treatment/control facility improvements. The construction is to be located at the site of the existing wastewater treatment facility at 1501 W. Markland Avenue in Kokomo, Indiana. The notice was received on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
- 3) Commissioner Moore was the Hearing Officer for the Township Appeal Hearing for Amanda Alioto of Center Township, last Friday, May 1st. Although this was a very difficult case, Mr. Moore recommended and moved to uphold the denial of the Township Trustee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
- 4) Mr. Moore reminded the Commissioners that this Thursday (May 7th) at noon at the Courthouse, the National Day of Prayer will be observed. He has been asked to pray for government officials.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Wyman opened the floor for Public Comment as follows:

Jerry Paul, President of the Howard County Veterans Memorial Corporation at Darrough Chapel: Mr. Paul submitted a scale model of the Courthouse Square and Courthouse with a proposed Women’s Legacy Memorial and other enhancements. He believes that with the addition of the Charters of Freedom monument to the southeast side of the Courthouse Square in June, it’s the perfect time to make other enhancements to the square. He asked the Commissioners to take this plan under consideration and let him know if they would like to move forward.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time,
the meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Moore,
seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.*

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR
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