

## **HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING DECEMBER 18, 2017**

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, December 18, 2017, 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, Member Brad Bray, County Auditor Martha Lake, and County Attorney Alan D. Wilson.

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 SPECIAL RECOGNITION:**

#### **EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:**

The Commissioners congratulated county employees, and Mr. Moore read the following Employee Service Awards into record:

<b>Five Years:</b>	Christine Oyler
<b>Ten Years:</b>	Tony Bougher, Joshua Rosselot, Cheryl Davis
<b>Twenty-Five Years:</b>	Holly Stahl

#### **OCTOBER EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AWARD:**

The Commissioners congratulated county employee Pamela Martin on a job well done in the Sheriff Department. Pamela is detail oriented; she processes warrants, no contact, and protection orders. She has recently taken on new duties and prevented disruption in services. Pictures were taken, and congratulations were given by all.

#### **NOVEMBER EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH AWARD:**

The Commissioners congratulated county employee Charles Pickard on a job well done in the Maintenance Department. Charles demonstrates his strength, fidelity, and knowledge on a daily basis. Richard Stout commended Charles on his dedication to his job, department, faith, and family. Pictures were taken, and congratulations were given by all.

#### **DEPUTY SHERIFF:**

Sheriff Steve Rogers introduced Deputy Kody Detamore. Deputy Detamore is a 2017 Indiana University Kokomo graduate and a 2014 Kokomo High School graduate. Deputy Detamore was sworn in by Chief Deputy Clerk Debbie Stewart, surrounded by his family and friends. Pictures were taken and congratulations were given by all.

### **IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the December 4, 2017, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Moore. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

#### **MAINTENANCE:**

1. County Maintenance Supervisor William Stonestreet presented the Waste Management Agreement. The Seiberling Mansion has been added to this agreement. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Waste Management Agreement as presented and to authorize the president to sign on behalf of the board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. Mr. Stonestreet asked for approval to purchase a mounted ladder at the Work Release Center priced at \$4,470.00 from Hearn Construction out of 1138.47241.000.0000. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve paying \$4,470.00 to Hearn Construction as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

#### **PERSONNEL:**

1. County Personnel Director Debbie Lorenz asked for approval of Patriot Insurance Group proposal for Workman's Compensation. There will be a one percent increase starting in January 2018. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Workman's Compensation renewal as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. Regions Insurance Agent Doug Heath presented insurance findings for the February 1, 2018, Anthem (Medical, Dental, Vision) Renewal.
  - a. The Insurance Committee reviewed the 2017 policy data.
  - b. The committee requested quotes from two other carriers. Quotes were returned with a request for additional information.
  - c. The renewal cost for Anthem is \$156,427.00.

- d. The “expected” 2018 plan costs are \$7,458,408.00.
- e. The current “expected” costs are \$6,960,426.00.
- f. The committee recommended to renew the Anthem plan as in place on October 1, 2017, with no additional changes.
- g. The next insurance committee meeting is March 18, 2018.

Mr. Moore made a motion to approve February 1, 2018, Anthem (Medical, Dental, Vision) as presented and to authorize the president to sign on behalf of the board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Mr. Wyman commended Doug Heath and Debbie Lorenz on all of their effort.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:**

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 to be paid December 22, 2017, and December 29, 2017, in the amount of \$385,481.732 each, were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- 2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners’ Operating Claims to be paid December 18, 2017, in the amount of \$396,657.28 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
- 3. **Monthly Reports:** The following departmental reports were submitted: Treasurer’s Monthly Report, Clerk’s Monthly Report, Weights and Measures Monthly Report, and Emergency Management’s Activities and Calendar for November and December. The reports were received by the Board of County Commissioners.

**IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

- 1. County Attorney Alan Wilson submitted the following names for official appointment to various boards:

Nominee	Board	Action
Michael Ullery	Howard County Drainage Board	Re-appointment
Cheryl Graham	Howard County Planning Commission	Re-appointment
Meggan Planck	Howard County Community Corrections Advisory Board	Fill out unexpired term of Lisa Pacheco
Matthew Grecu	Howard County Alcoholic Beverage Commission	Re-appointment

Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the appointees as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

- 2. Mr. Wilson submitted a claim from Barnes & Thornburg LLP for \$885.00. Mr. Moore made a motion to authorize payment for Barnes & Thornburg LLP claim as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:**

Mr. Bray and Mr. Moore wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Mr. Wyman wished everyone a Happy Holidays and also a Happy Hanukkah.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried.*

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

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PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

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TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR

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