

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 21, 2022

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, March 21st, 2022, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, March 7th, 2022.
- II. ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioner Jim Meece, President, Dan R. Collom, First Vice President and Laura Fischer, Auditor. Also, present were John Martin, Pam Sanders, Jessica Lancaster, Randy Norman, Kyla Clover, Shawn Clover, Cindy Peterson, Amy App, Darla Wirth, Jason Frazier, Josh Milbourn and Chris Fish. Not present was Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President and County Attorney Nick Sauter.
- III. MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on February 21st, 2022 and March 7th, 2022 were approved on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Jim Meece. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$184,016.95 was approved for release on Monday, February 28th, 2022 on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Jim Meece. The motion carried unanimously. Dan R. Collom made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$399,393.35. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. NEW BUSINESS:**
- Hand typed checks for \$15 to the BMV for the EMS, \$581.25 for AIC dues for the Auditor, and \$1.00 for Ambulance for the EMS were presented to the Board for approval. Jim Meece made the motion to authorize the out of cycle checks. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 - Julie Lanzone has asked the Board to consider the Industrial Housing Solution Lease Proposal. This will allow staff and ambulances to be centrally placed in the county since the loss of their building due to the fire. Jim Meece made the motion to approve the lease proposal. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 - Julie Lanzone submitted to the Board a list of items lost during the fire to be turned into the insurance. The list was reviewed.
 - EMS report was reviewed.
 - Board of Health Department submitted a request to appoint a new Health Board Member. A list of five potential candidates was submitted to the Board for them to appoint a new member. The Board hopes to appoint a new member at the next meeting after they review the candidates.

VII: OLD BUSINESS: None

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole:

- Justin Cole submitted a request for Shawn Clover and Chris McCann so they will not lose their vacation time that they have earned due inability to take the time. Jim Meece made the motion for the employees not to lose their hours of vacation time. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Jason Frazier presented grant paperwork for the USDA Grant that required a signature from the Board. This grant was already was approved by the Board and just needed signed.

Parke County Highway, Randy Norman:

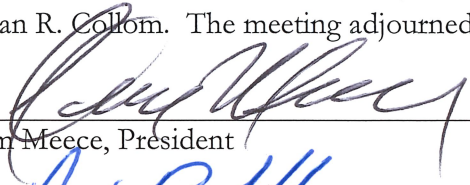
- Randy Norman asked if the Board would like to lift weight limits on the county roads. Jim Meece made the motion to lift the weight limits on the county roads. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Randy Norman stated that on April 4th the Highway Department will move to 14-hour days.

- Randy Norman told the Board that dust control prices will go up due to price increases.

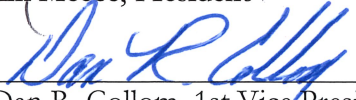
IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- SBOA found errors with payroll in 2019 and 2020. After the review, the County Council and the Board submitted a list of money that needs paid back by the employees from 2019. When approved by SBOA, the Council and the Board will look into having the money withheld from the employees on the 2nd pay in July.
- Cindy Peterson stated she has problems with her HSA and 457B deductions not being paid out but being deducted from her paycheck. She stated that her PERF is same way. Cindy Peterson is stating the payments were paid but have been haphazard in payments. Cindy Peterson doesn't like that her financial information is out and anyone can look at it. The Board will look into why this issue is happening.
- Shawn Clover stated he had an issue with Police Pension. He has looked back on his pays and the 3% hasn't been withheld correctly. He stated the closest that has been withheld was 2.95%. Shawn Clover stated his concern is how much will he have to pay back for the deductions to be caught up correctly.
- Josh Milbourn stated he was contacted by the Auditors office last year about his life insurance. The Auditor's office stated to Josh Milbourn that money was withheld with no policy in place. Josh Milbourn was contacted by another county employee about HSA and 457B problems with deductions and payments to the plans. He stated that he only has 457B and looked like different amounts were paid out and hasn't been paid since January 25, 2022. Police Pension was not taken out at 3% for his contribution. He questions if the county portion had been paid at all. Josh Milbourn states that his pay stub never looks the same so it is hard to keep track of. The Board apologize and will look into the situation and make it right.
- Amy App has problem with the pay schedule and how it is set up. The first pay of the year was used with the old wages. Amy App feels that it is off and the county will need to pay employees back at the end of the year. She states the W2 will not match the salary approved by the Council. Amy App feels HR and Payroll need to be separate person as some complaints are about the Auditor's office.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Jim Meece and seconded by Dan R. Collom. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.



Jim Meece, President

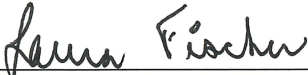


Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

ABSENT

Bruce Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:



Laura Fischer,
Parke County Auditor