

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 20th, 2023

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 20th, 2023, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, February 6th, 2023.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Jim Meece, President; Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Mary Anne Wood, Auditor; Pam Adams, 2nd Deputy Auditor and County Attorney Nick Sauter. Also present were John Martin, Pam Sanders, Jessica Lancaster, and Julie Lanzzone.
- III. **MINUTES:** Tabled.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$202,823.99 was approved for release on Friday, February 13th, 2023 on a motion made by Dan R. Collom. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Dan Collom made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$166,888.83. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Requests for the following claims to be processed outside of the regular claims cycle were reviewed by the Board. Jim Meece made a motion to approve the following claims to be processed outside of the regular claims cycle. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Parke County Extension	\$18.45
Gail Wright	\$39.52
Beth Evans	\$16.80
Melinda Long	\$150.00
Parke County Chamber of Commerce	\$68.00
Purdue University	\$152.32
Quill	\$3,327.63
Quill	\$ 173.93
Parke County CVC – November 2022	\$28,500.39
Parke County CVC – December 2022	\$12,291.03
Parke County CVC – January 2023	\$8,812.96
US Food Service	\$2,025.44
Midwest Presort	\$4,538.40

- A Tort Claim was reviewed by the Board, this claim was in regards to a section of U.S. Highway 41 that the claimant alleges is “dangerously-curved”. Since this is a United States Highway, the County has no liability and/or responsibility in this matter.

VI. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- A letter requesting the appointment of Samantha Woodard to the Parke County Public Library Board to fulfill the unexpired term of Alisa Wilson was reviewed by the Commissioners. Bruce Hartman made a motion to approve the appointment of Samantha Woodard to the Parke County Public Library Board. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- The Board received a letter from the Parke County Plan Commission recommending the removal of Rick Thompson from the Plan Commission Board due to lack of attendance. The letter also requests that Jacob King to be appointed to fulfill Thompson’s unexpired term. Dan R. Collom made a motion to remove Rick Thompson from the Plan Commission Board and appoint Jacob King to fulfill the unexpired term. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Parke County Auditor Mary Anne Wood advised the Board that both the Auditor and Treasurer’s offices is now live on X-Soft, the property tax software system.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County EMS Director, Julie Lanzone:

- Lanzone advised the Board that demolition in the west bay of the Ambulance Service building is complete. Lanzone also stated that all of the major construction has been done, there are a few small projects that need to be finished. They still plan to have all work completed in March.
- Stated the insurance company would like a decision regarding the two campers. The Board indicated the County has no interest in taking ownership of them. Lanzone will move forward with getting them returned.
- Reported the remount on Medic 1 is still not complete. Lanzone made a surprise visit to Emergency Mobile Technology in Decatur, IN to check on the status of the vehicle. While there, they told her the person who did the wiring on vehicles had passed away which was the reason they got behind in their work. Lanzone stated that, in her opinion, the County should not accept bids from this company in the future since they have had the ambulance since February of 2022 and it still is not finished.

They have indicated that the vehicle should be delivered on March 6th, 2023, but there will be an additional delay before it can be returned to service, because the County will still need to have the decals put on it.

- Lanzone reported there were only three bids received before the cutoff for the small 2007 Chevrolet Ambulance.

County Attorney Nick Sauter proceeded to open the bids, and they were as follows:

Commercial Bus & Vehicles. LCC (Roger D. Koski)	\$3,413.00
Emergency Remarketing	\$1,368.18
Lucas Collom	\$3,757.00

Jim Meece made a motion to accept the bid from Lucas Collom, in the amount of \$3,757.00. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The Auditor will notify the bidders of the results.

- The Emergency Medical Service (EMS) is finally fully staffed with both Full-time and Part-time employees.

Jim Meece asked if the new payroll process for the EMS is working. Lanzone stated that it appears to be, as there are fewer questions and employees seem to be able to understand what is on their paystubs now.

Meece went on to acknowledge that Lanzone and the entire EMS staff has done an amazing job, there was no down time after last year's fire. The department continued to make runs and operate as close to normal as possible under very difficult circumstances. Jim Meece wanted send a thank you to Julie and the entire department.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- IX. ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

Jim Meece, President

Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

Bruce Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:

Mary Anne Wood,
Parke County Auditor