

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

June 7, 2021

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, having adjourned from a special meeting on Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioner Jim Meece, President, Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Laura Fischer, Auditor; Nicole Collings, First Deputy Auditor; and County Attorney Nick Sauter. Also, present were Jessica Lancaster, Justin Cole, Randy Norman, John Martin, Rodger Davies, Tonya Dahl, Liddy Dowd-Wright, Jim and Patty Adams.
- III. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 were approved on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$181,565.06 was approved for release on Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 on a motion made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan R. Collom. The motion carried unanimously. Dan R Collom made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$60,745.75. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **CLAIMS:** After reviewing the Claims Docket, claims in the amount of \$239,710.16 were approved for release on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - Dan R. Collom made a motion to approve the hand typed check for \$940.50 for Travelers. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion to pay the hand typed check. Motion carried unanimously.
  - Greg Larson was present to ask the Board to close Old 36 Road in front of the property on July 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for an upcoming Extreme MC Racing Series Race. He has hired two off duty police officers and Bellmore Fire Department volunteered to be at the event. On July 10<sup>th</sup> they will also be holding fireworks. Dan R. Collom suggested that they have a volunteer at the 500 East Road so people don't try to travel it and get stuck with trailers. Attorney Nick Sauter will draw up a liability and hold harmless agreement for the county. The Board gave their ok to the event.
  - Rodger Davies was present to bring the Boards attention to the attendance of the Planning and Zoning Boards. He has been to meetings and they did not have a quorum to vote on zoning of his business and he will be missing out of a month of business because of the lack of attendance. The Board will look into the attendance issues.
  - Jim Adams approached the Board for an update to the road conditions of Ferndale Road. The members did travel the road but it will not be on the list for paving the next go around because of other county roads are in worse shape. They will be out to patch and try to smooth the road.
  - Annual Report to the Secretary of Education was presented to the Board to be signed. Jim Meece made a motion to sign the report. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
  - Covered Bridge Certification was also signed by the Board.
  - Bruce Hartman made a motion to sign the SBC Portal Contract. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- Todd Payne submitted a letter about TML's for his Mansfield properties. The Auditor said that in the next couple months a letter will be sent to the property owners. The Auditor's suggestion to Todd Payne is that he could go online and purchase the TML's for his vendors and the TML's could be mailed to him or to the vendor. Liddy Dowd-Wright said the same could be done with Food Permits.
- The Ambulance Department submitted their report for the Board to review and a letter about an employee's vacation time that would be lost at the end of the month. Dan R. Collom made a motion to let the employee keep his vacation time. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion. Motion pass unanimously.
- Jim Meece made the motion to allow the Health Department to apply for two grants. The first for \$5,121.21 for a trailer to do shot clinics for the state. The seconded for \$34,984.48 for funding for vaccine clinics. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Chris O'Brien requested to do a 911 Grant to covert the GIS data mapping. He recommended to use WTH Technology for the contract. Jim Meece made the motion to accept the recommendation. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed. His seconded grant request would be from Homeland Security for mobile camera carts. Chris O'Brien recommended that they use IBC Trailers for the camera carts. This will be used to help protect soft target and used during the bridge festival. Jim Meece made the motion and Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Laura Fischer asked the Board if some of the monthly bills could be set up to do ACH payments. Nick Sauter would research the laws and Laura Fischer will check with State Board of Accounts. The subject was tabled.
- Laura Fischer also provided report to the Board about the status of settlement. Settlement was sent to the State and was waiting to be approved.
- Jim Meece brought up a property on 100 S that as equipment on the road. Jim Meece made a motion to have Planning and Zoning go out to the property with a police escort to evaluate it. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion.
- Jim Meece asked the Board to set a special Board of Commissioners meeting after the County/Town Road meeting held at 8 a.m. on Tuesday. They set the date for June 8, 2021 at 9 a.m. Laura Fischer was to send out notice.
- The auction for the town and county requested to place a sign on the courthouse lawn to display date and time of the auction. Jim Meece approved the placement of the sign and Dan R. Collom seconded the motion.
- Nick Sauter proposed the Amended Ordinance 2021-01A to included carriers to display company information. Bruce Hartman made the motion to accept the Amended Ordinance 2021-01A. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Nick Sauter also proposed Resolution 2021-05 Tax Sale Parcels that would be resent to the Redevelopment Commission. Bruce Hartman made the motion and Dan R. Collom seconded to the motion to approve Resolution 2021-05.
- Nick Sauter said the former complaint the Board had received about a former employee was settled.

**VII: OLD BUSINESS: None**

**VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole:**

- Justin Cole provided a report to the Board. The county has 67 inmates and 4 from the DOC. Justin Cole said the got approval for the USDA grant that they will use to purchase

a new vehicle. Also, the department will have firearms and dodge charger in the upcoming auction.

**Parke County Highway Department Superintendent, Randy Norman:**


- Randy Norman presented the board with a hand type check claim. The claim is for VS Engineering INC for \$6,907.62. Dan R. Collom made the motion to approve the hand typed check. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- INDOT Agreement for road closure of Highway 59 to use the detour for 900 South to 775 East to 720 South was also presented. Along, with the Unofficial Reimbursement Contract was presented. Jim Meece made a motion to sign the agreement and contract and Dan R. Collom seconded the motion.
- Dan R. Collom asked Randy Norman is he could find out how many of the gravel roads are in each township. Randy Norman said that he could find out the answer for him and get back to him.

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

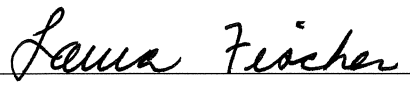
**X. ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

  
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Jim Meece, President

  
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Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

  
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Bruce Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:

  
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Laura Fischer,  
Parke County Auditor