

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 19, 2021

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 19th, 2021, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 6th, 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, Pam Sanders, Jason Frazier, John Martin, Cyndi Todd, Katie Potter, Kim Harris, Cathy Gould, and Randy Norman.
- III. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on July 6th, 2021 were approved on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$186,396.86 was approved for release on Monday, July 19th, 2021 on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The motion carried unanimously. Dan R. Collom made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$53,124.72. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- Jim Meece made the motion to approve hand typed checks for Mid-America Elevator in the amount of \$3,610.26 and for CASA Claims in the amounts of \$32.35, \$95.73, \$67.25, \$14.99, \$122.26 and \$125.00 for the total amount of \$457.58. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Kim Harris an Outreach Representative with the Attorney General's Office was present to make an introduction and give the Board a packet of materials.
 - Assessor, Katie Potter, presented the bids for Cyclical Reassessment Contract. Bidding ended July 19, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. One bid was placed by Tyler Technologies and the bid was opened by Attorney, Nick Sauter. Cathy Gould with Tyler Technologies was present at the meeting for any questions. Attorney, Nick Sauter will review the contract and the Board will address the contract at the next meeting.
 - Don Pruner, Courthouse Custodian, approached the Board about purchasing a heavy-duty shredder to replace the hiring of shred companies to do the county shredding. The company has a \$500 dollar fee for a tech from the company to come out and provide training. Don Pruner felt that we could waive this option and make the shredder cheaper. After some discussion, the Board felt that the shredder was a good idea and also felt that the training would be beneficial from a legal stand point. The Board would also like Matt Stackley with Core Facilities and Randy Cleaver with IT Department be present at the training. Dan R. Collom made the motion for approval of the purchase of the shredder and training. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Jim Meece mention that Don Pruner had looked into the drainage issue around the courthouse. While looking into the issue they found the 1870 original blueprints for the courthouse. Jim Meece along with artist, Bill Wolfe, are researching how much it would cost to preserve the blueprints. Don Pruner will continue looking into the drainage issue and try to find a solution to solve the problem.
 - Todd Payne a property owner in Mansfield had talked to Jim Meece with two points of concern. First, he would like to address the road condition of county road 650 in Mansfield. Todd Payne says

that it gets pretty beaten up during the festival. The road will be graded. However, Mr. Payne will have to decide if he wants to pay for chip and seal that way the county knows if they place white rock or duraberm down. Secondly, Mr. Payne would like purchase a large amount of TML's to sale to his vendors on his property so he doesn't get hit with the property owner's fine. The board decided that they will have a contract drawn up allowing Mr. Payne to purchase the TML's upfront and could be reimbursed for the ones he doesn't sale. This contract will be addressed at the next meeting. Mr. Payne will be responsible to provide the information back to the Auditor, Laura Fischer.

- Jim Meece made the motion to sign and receipt in the money from Easement from the Town of Rockville. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- The Board reviewed the two tort claims that were presented.
- The Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission meeting agenda was reviewed.

VII: OLD BUSINESS:

- Jim Meece read a message from Lee Creed stating he finished his volunteer work on by pass bridge at Rocky Fork.
- The Commissioner's readdressed the issue of the colors to paint courthouse doors. The majority agreed with painting the doors the darker color.
- Next, they discussed the opening of the doors on the courthouse, since security will be moved to three days a week and their post will be moved back up to the second floor. After a discussion, Dan R. Collom made the motion to open all the courthouse doors back up. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- The discussion for ACH payments for certain vendors paid by the Auditor were tabled.

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Sheriff- Justin Cole: None

Parke County Highway Department- Randy Norman:

- Randy Norman asked the Board to approve a hand typed check to reimburse INDOT for \$4,390.06. Jim Meece made the motion and Dan R. Collom seconded the motion to approve the hand typed check. Motion passed.
- Randy Norman provided the Board with the estimate on the road paving for the Community Crossing Grant. The estimated cost to pave the selected sections of roads would be \$1,363,537.72 for 11.64 miles of overlay. Next step is to apply for the grant.
- Randy Norman asked about paying the taxes on the road graders. Laura Fischer informed the Board and Randy Norman that the taxes were paid from the decision made at the July 6, 2021 meeting.
- Randy Norman stated he had received an estimate for painting on a few covered bridges. Dan R. Collom made the motion go ahead with the estimate and to form a contract for painting of the covered bridges. Jim Meece seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Randy Norman gave an update on chip and seal, road conditions and brush clearing.

Partnership of Parke County, Cyndi Todd

- Cyndi Todd stated that OCRA grant money was sent to the county from the state. Laura Fischer, Auditor, stated that she will get the money to Community Foundation once a claim is submitted to her office.
- Cyndi Todd asked the Board if there a digital form of the Parke County Map with the roads marked. They said it is on the county website and to get ahold of Courtney who is charge of the website and she should share it. Jim Meece made the motion to give Cyndi

Todd the authorization to place the map on Partnership of Parke County Website. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.

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 5:34 p.m.

Absent

Jim Meece, President

Dan R. Collom

Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

Bruce Hartman

Bruce Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:

Laura Fischer

Laura Fischer,
Parke County Auditor