

Randolph County Commissioners

June 3, 2024

The Randolph County Commissioners met at their regular meeting at 9:00AM in the Commissioners and Council Room in the Courthouse with the following members present: Board President Michael Wickersham, Gary Friend and Gary Girton. Also present was Randolph County Chief Deputy Auditor Sherrie Timmons, Sheriff Art Moystner and County Attorney Meeks Cockerill.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council's update

None

Chris Shaneyfelt – equipment funding and interlocal agreement

Chris Shaneyfelt said I tried to get a date to when this equipment was put in there. And she did tell me, but I don't remember exactly when that was. I think it was 2014, because I took over in 2016. And that was purchased at a price of 70 some odd thousand dollars. The equipment is out of date. It's beyond its service life. I've spoken with INdigital. There're two organizations within the state of Indiana that the state 911 board allows us to use, INdigital is our provider that's been set up by the state 911 board. So, what we need to do is replace all that CPE equipment. And the quote that I had from INdigital to do all of that is \$53,105.07. Now I spoke to Danita about funding. I have in 1222, unappropriated funds of \$106,000.00 that's available. But it's, again, it's unappropriated. And of course, chunks of that money come in every month. So, it's not all there at this time, at least that would be my understanding. So, then I guess the other funding source might be ARPA, which according to Danita when I spoke to her, was 1.6. So, basically, what I'm looking for is just to get funding for this updated R3 systems in the room at that cost, and then there's a \$15,750.00 yearly maintenance fee.

Mike said but that first year is included in this?

Chris Shaneyfelt said it is, sir, yes.

Mike said so, are you, do you have a maintenance fee on your system now?

Chris Shaneyfelt said no, and I didn't know if we needed a maintenance fee. That, INdigital never told me that. They just, when we've called, if there's been problems, they've come and fixed it. And I don't, I rarely get bills from INdigital. So, I don't know who pays the bills when they come and fix it. I assume it's the 911 board, there's not one that I've ever paid.

Mike said so, this 106 in your budget, do you anticipate spending that?

Chris Shaneyfelt said I don't have anything that's there to spend it now. So, no, it's just unappropriated funds. But, you know, we move people around, like we moved all the 066 folks over to the county general because at times, that fund runs short. And that would be my concern is you know, that fund running short. There's a portion of those funds in there they call supplemental payout that's 9010 fees, and there's no guarantee that we'll get those. So, that's roughly \$40,000.00.

Mike said we didn't replace any of this equipment during the communications upgrade?

Chris Shaneyfelt said no, no. We did not. And I really wouldn't have thought too much about it until I went to a conference and seen the significant difference between what's available at conference and then what we had and asked them to upgrade just our monitor screens. And our equipment is too old to do that.

Mike said does this give you a mapping function?

Chris Shaneyfelt said it works with a mapping, so, all that information that comes in from the 911 is then turned over to our rapid SOS program and then to the WTH program. We tend to use rapid SOS a lot more because rapid SOS will get us bread crumbs and allow us to track peoples' movements as long as that cell phone is still on.

Mike said well it sounds like something your center needs.

Chris Shaneyfelt said yeah, it is past due. According to the report, they should have been updated after 5 years.

Mike said and I'm inclined to say ARPA.

Gary Friend said I am too, and the reason is for sure, because Chris is right, that the funding in that account is not only certain and county general has had to jump in and out is why. I would do ARPA and leave that alone so you have room to maneuver and get people paid in there.

Mike said thank you. What do you think, Gary?

Gary Girton said well we talked about spending ARPA for a couple other items. Is there another Fund that could be spent for this, a portion of it.

Chris Shaneyfelt said well I'm sure there can be but I just don't want to guarantee that there's \$106,000.0 sitting there because.

Gary Girton said right, I understand that.

Chris Shaneyfelt said like I said, that one payment is always iffy, depends on what's going on with the state and what they have to pay on whether we get that money or not.

Gary Girton said can we spend a portion?

Mike said pardon?

Gary Girton said can we spend a portion of his?

Chris Shaneyfelt said I think it, for me, it fits into ARPA.

Gary Girton said well I don't disagree with that, but then we've got several other things that we talked about spending ARPA for, and these funds would not be available.

Gary Friend said it might help, Gary, one of the things the council does when they're building the budget for Chris, is use that category to fill in the gaps. It's not a total guarantee how much comes and goes. So, I think the ARPA fund, this is an infrastructure upgrade, not an operational issue basically.

Gary Girton said I'm not disagreeing with that at all. I'm just disagreeing with thinking about the fact that there're two other areas that we've talked about spending the ARPA money and it's needed there also. That's just my thought.

Mike said well, I'm leaning towards using all of it from ARPA and I think ARPA can handle this as well as the two other areas. So, I mean, it's the jail. It's not going to handle the entire jail project, but it's going to handle the bits and pieces that we're spending on the jail as they come across. The toilets are \$20,000.00. Hope we don't need anymore of those for a while. We got a sidewalk over there issues.

Gary Girton said I know, yeah.

Mike said so I think I'd make a motion that we support the E911 center with this INdigital purchase of \$53,105.07 and pay it out of ARPA.

Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris Shaneyfelt said do you want me to go to council for that as well?

Gary Friend said no.

Mike said and then that gives me the authority to sign the INdigital contract, is that.

Chris Shaneyfelt said yes sir.

Mike said I got that last week. I'm glad I didn't sign it.

Chris Shaneyfelt said well she sent me an email and asked me about it and it's like, not yet.

Mike said so the next item is the Homeland District 6 Mutual Aid agreement and interlocal government agreement basically, where we are promising to provide mutual aid when we can to

other counties when requested, in District 6. And District 6 is Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Grant, Henry, Howard, Jay, Madison, us, Rush, Tipton, Union and Wayne. That's a big group.

Chris Shaneyfelt said 13 counties.

Mike said and we've got two of those, we got one of these on Friday and then you and Meeks had an email conversation this morning.

Chris Shaneyfelt said there was a document that the Delaware County attorney had reviewed and the Delaware County EMA had sent out to everybody in case their attorney didn't have time to look at it, but Meeks was already on it as well, so, I sent that copy to everybody as well.

Mike said is it the same or is it different?

Chris Shaneyfelt said there had been some revisions in it from the Delaware County attorney.

Mike said and you've seen those?

Meeks said I didn't compare it to the original one. This one looked fine.

Mike said well Sherrie shared it with me this morning, and there wasn't a whole lot.

Meeks said it didn't look like much was different so.

Chris Shaneyfelt said I think some of it was verbiage.

Mike said all the paragraphs in the same place at the end of the page?

Meeks said yeah.

Mike said there weren't any extra lines?

Meeks said I think there's a, the title has changed, very top.

Mike said the important part of it is that we will, we are saying that we will provide mutual aid to each county when needed.

Chris Shaneyfelt said correct. What they did with us when we had the tornado.

Mike said when we can. I mean, we're not made to do this.

Chris Shaneyfelt said right.

Mike said so, we're asked to sign this as a participant county.

Chris Shaneyfelt said correct.

Mike said and so, I guess I would ask if there are any questions to Chris about this future aid agreement.

Gary Friend said there's not for me.

Gary Friend made motion to approve. Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said Laura is not here obviously, so, she'll have to sign it at a later time.

Chris Shaneyfelt said that's fine. Just give you guys a little update on what's going on over in the 911 center. We have released two employees from the CTO program. So, they were saying that they're capable of doing the job without being under a trainer's supervision.

Mike said you promoted them.

Chris Shaneyfelt said yes.

Mike said I thought when you said released, I thought you must have got rid of them.

Chris Shaneyfelt said no, no. We haven't gotten rid of anybody.

Mike said okay. Good.

Chris Shaneyfelt said we've hired one girl that is a re-hire. She worked at the 911 center before I took over. She was a quick train. All she had to do was just kind of get used to the, some of the new programs we used. She was used to Spillman and not that other stuff. We have one girl that's just entered the second phase of training. We have one girl that's supposed to start Wednesday. And then we have one position that is open, and we've offered a job to, and she would be a re-hire. So, she wouldn't have to go through training either. She's kind of iffy at the moment, whether she wants to do it or not. So, I told her to make sure that's what she wants to do before she comes back is what's going on. If not, we have another girl in the bull pen ready to go to fill the position. So, either way, we're starting to get a little better over there.

Mike said sounds good. Any questions of Chris?

Gary Friend said no.

Mike said thanks Chris, for what you do.

Randy Able – Permit fees (tabled from 5/6/2024)

Mike said next item, Randy Able, building commissioner, permit fees, building permit fees.

Randy Able said good morning.

Mike said so, you and Randy got together and.

Meeks said I emailed Friday so.

Randy Able said yeah, I didn't get it.

Meeks said I know you didn't get a chance to look at it.

Randy Able said I haven't. You put the \$400.00 on a multi-family and I think we had a footnote asterisk.

Meeks said I think the real question is on the last page. Where to put those, and I think those are in different code sections. And so, that was what my email had. I didn't know if they were in addition to, or also, or is replacing the other. And that's the fines and exemptions.

Randy Able said so, I don't think we had fines initially.

Meeks said we do have it in.

Randy Able said in there, okay

Meeks said yeah. So, when I was going, and I, my email goes to those code sections.

Randy Able said okay.

Meeks said so if you look at it, you can say it's an addition to and then we can re-do that section.

Meeks said or, if it's replacing, then we know that, then we can replace that section, if that makes sense.

Randy Able said yeah.

Meeks said you just tell me what you want.

Randy Able said I would assume replace.

Meeks said I think it's in addition to.

Randy Able said okay. I don't know.

Meeks said I would have guessed in addition to. That's why I sent it to you.

Randy Able said so, there's others in there that we want to keep, obviously.

Meeks said I think we want to keep the others.

Randy Able said okay. So, I'll need to look and see what we have.

Meeks said that's why I got a little bit confused there, and so, then I sent it out. And I should have gotten it out to you earlier.

Randy Able said that's fine.

Meeks said I apologize for that, but, yeah.

Randy Able said I left all my stuff laying on my desk anyway.

Mike said we're not ready to move on this.

Meeks said no.

Randy Able said okay. I'll look in that and see what it says then. Yeah, I didn't have much time Friday for anything.

Meeks said I forgot.

Randy Able said you're not the only one.

Gary Friend said one other questions from the commissioners, a couple meetings ago about basements and how they're calculated.

Randy Able said well I think you're asking what's square footage included in our fee schedule, and it's described in that new one that we sent out.

Meeks said right. Basements are described in here.

Randy Able said so, any living space.

Gary Friend said are basements considered living space?

Randy Able said yeah. So, if.

Gary Friend said even if they're not finished.

Randy Able said you can consider it either way.

Gary Friend said what are we doing?

Randy Able said I just included the basements, because eventually, they are going to be living space a lot of times. And it's enclosed and it is within the thermal envelope, so, that's what I was, so, if it's an open porch with no sides, that's out of the thermal envelope, so, those aren't included.

Meeks said all square footage calculations, calculations are based on the main structure, including basements, attached and covered porches.

Gary Friend said so, attached garages are considered in the fee as living space?

Randy Able said uh huh.

Gary Friend said so, you're taking the whole entire footprint below grade and above grade, to it?

Randy Able said yeah. I mean, as long as we're consistent, I think we'll be.

Gary Friend said that's what I'm looking at.

Meeks said if you get chance to look at it, shoot me an email. I'm not going to be here next week. I can maybe get it done later on this week, and then get it out to you guys for your next meeting.

Gary Friend said well I'm disagreeing, you know, basements from the 1800's aren't all convertible living space.

Randy Able said on no.

Gary Friend said and this is new construction?

Randy Able said yeah, new construction.

Debra Johnting said most applicants will say we're going to finish them eventually, on the new houses.

Gary Friend said on energy remodeling they're counted as square, as livable square footage if they are part of the heating system. If they're unintentionally conditioned, it doesn't count, but if they re intentional conditioned, then it becomes living.

Randy Able said uh huh.

Mike said okay. So, can we take this up again in two weeks?

Meeks said hopefully. If Randy gets back to me this week. Sorry, I just apologized.

Mike said anything else for us, Randy?

Randy Able said we had another question last time on the surveys and the major and minor subdivisions. So, I went to the, what we do on some cases is we file what's called a restrictive transfer form. That's where they don't have enough lot size, and it's because, say there's a section line, and they can't combine them. So, in order to make it compliant, we'll file a

restrictive transfer form, which basically locks those two properties together. And, so, I wanted to see how that would show up on, if you were searching your deed. And so, I went down to the recorder's office and Claudia took me back to their computer and it's kind of like, I don't know how to describe it, it's kind of like a pigeon hole, so, she brings up your deed and the deed is here, and then, so, each thing in the pigeon hole shows up. So, the restrictions show up down below that. So, if somebody was printing out a deed, they would see those restrictions and obviously, they'd probably want to print those out too and look at them. So, in this major and minor subdivision, once you hit four, four split and four created parcels, you hit that, so, what we've done to kind of make it easier maybe, is to, so, if you, say you're going to combine one of them or you are going to make one of them non-buildable, then you've only got three buildable lots, and then that will take us out of having to have a hearing for that.

Mike said right.

Randy Able said to me, that makes more sense then to have a hearing every time you go to four splits. So, it makes it non-buildable for houses, does not make it unbuildable for farm use like for barns and that sort of thing. So, I'm assuming if we filed that, basically, we file as certificate of exempt sub-division status with every split made. And that basically, would explain on there that this parcel is non-buildable, and the way to make it buildable is either have one these other parcels combined so, reduce the number of lots, or to have a subdivision hearing. And that's just the way that area planning has oversight on building lots in the county. So, if you don't get too many, and Debra mentioned today too, we've even got some lots in the county that the septic's don't work. Then there's no way to.

Debra Johnting said I know there's one.

Randy Able said no way to put a leach field and no way to put a mound system on it. So, that oversight obviously goes with those subdivision hearings to see, you know, what's the possibility of actually having building sites. And so, I'm assuming that we could file this and reference it to any deed, and it will show up with those deeds.

Meeks said well when I talked to the recorder and the person that searches for us, the only way, it would show up for the deeds you just recorded. So, if you do three deeds and record the three deeds and record that will show up. It's that historical description of the fourth deed that you didn't need it but you kept, that will not show up. The only way to have that tied back is to do, just what, I mean, you'd have to get it signed, notarized, just all the requirements to file a deed.

Mike said you'd have to transfer it to yourself.

Meeks said yeah, and that's problematic, because you can use mortgages and I don't know what else, things involved and liens and all sorts of other things, that could be problematic. So, as to the historical one, it will not tie back. I, when I talked to them, and I'm not sure like, literally, I mean I can't imagine that this is going to come up very often.

Randy Able said no, I don't think so.

Meeks said so, it feels like we're spinning our wheels for something that just won't come up.

Mike said really if you do that, then the risk is the person buying the left-over lot, thinks they can build on it, find out they can't.

Meeks said it's going to be non-buildable. And, in Indiana, that's on you.

Mike said well that's the buyer beware.

Meeks said so, we're covered.

Mike said so, they could put a barn on it.

Randy Able said they can't be residents.

Meeks said I'm not worried about that historical one, because it's not going to come up, and we won't be able to tie it to there. I just don't think it's a, a big concern, at least after I thought about it for a while.

Randy Able said but I spent how many years since we had this and this is the first time we've ever had it show up.

Mike said what's the downside of this, I mean, other than expense and time, what's the downside of saying they all have to have a subdivision ordinance or a subdivision hearing?

Randy Able said yeah, you could make them go through a hearing. And it's just a matter of time and expense.

Mike said it would be the safest way to do it.

Randy Able said yeah, it would.

Gary Friend said that's right. It wouldn't be buyer beware would it?

Mike said it would.

Randy Able said and technically.

Mike said that's what they're supposed to do.

Randy Able said that's technically what's in the ordinance. But we felt like the intent of the ordinance was if three buildable lots were created instead of four buildable lots, you could not have the hearing.

Mike said so, again, that's not going to happen that often?

Randy Able said not that often.

Debra Johnting said if you had an intentional subdivision, you would never let them leave that last one un-surveyed, undescribed.

Randy Able said un-deeded.

Debra Johnting said and so, it's just intent, I guess. This is an intended to be a subdivision. Anyone with a formal subdivision, even if it's only four, they would have to do it.

Randy Able said yeah, when I talked to Richard Mote he goes it wouldn't have been hard at all because he already had two of the legs described, to get to the other parcels. He said it really wouldn't have been very hard at all to go ahead and describe that last parcel and put a deed, have a deed drawn up for it.

Mike said so, are you looking for us to make a decision?

Randy Able said well maybe, yeah. You think the best way then is just go ahead and have the subdivision.

Gary Friend said I do.

Randy Able said and require that all four parcels have their own deed description and surveyed, part of the survey?

Mike said I think so.

Gary Friend said I think it just eliminates the loopholes.

Randy Able said yeah, I do too.

Gary Girton said I think so also, because I think we need to eliminate as many of these issues that we can. That's what you're working on. Because, even though it may be one in every four years, that's still somebody that's going to get, could get stuck in a position that.

Randy Able said so, I've seen in other ordinances, other where they have a committee of like three or four people that can, instead of having whole 13-member APC, have a hearing for a minor subdivision. In cases like this, actually, there's like a review board of three that could say, that just could look at it, and if they think there's actually development going on here, they would refer it back to the APC 13 members. But obviously, in this case, it's just going to be farm ground. You know, a 3-member panel would be so much quicker and easier and that's something we don't have written in now.

Gary Friend said the panel would just stop it from going forward and make sure that the client knew what their challenges were?

Randy Able said yeah. And a then a hearing would be far simpler and quicker.

Gary Friend said we don't want to do anything to deter development in Randolph County.

Randy Able said I guess that's the direction we'll take. We'll have another hearing. Deb loves hearings by-the-way.

Mike said have you found any help?

Debra Johnting said I have about 30 resumes that I've divided out. I was on vacation last week, so I'll start doing interviews as soon as I can.

Mike said any other questions?

Bob McCoy said but before Randy and Deb take off, because I know.

Mike said Bob McCoy.

Bob McCoy said questions concerning and Gary's been involved in this 3/8 sheeting. I've been getting phone calls from roofers trying to roof houses and the insurance company says you've got to use, or you can't use 5/8 or we're not paying for it. What, can you kind of enlighten me on what's going on and how can I answer these questions?

Randy Able said so, the code actually states, panelized sheeting can be 3/8s on 16-inch center and 2-foot center. And a lot of the Gaslight district was built back in the 60s probably, and that's what they used, 3/8s. And I, personally, have done work on those roofs and it's not comfortable walking on a 3/8 sheeting roofing, but all that is holding up is a 20-pound per square foot snow load. And the dead load of that of the shingles.

Gary Friend said the insurance companies are not saying you can't redo it, they're saying we won't pay the difference.

Bob McCoy said yes, exactly. So, is there a fix for that because I had people telling me at an insurance meeting a while back that state code was 5/8s.

Gary Friend said no.

Randy Able said it's not.

Bob McCoy said I just want to kind of get it cleared up so these people can move on.

Randy Able said yeah, so, my advice to them has been that they get their insurance, their roofer to quote 3/8s and if you'll go to Lowes, you'll find out that 3/8s plywood is higher than 7/16 OSB. Have them quote the 3/8s and have them put on the 7/16s.

Gary Friend said if we were to adopt an ordinance, to change the IRC adopted in 2018 for every situation that doesn't fit anybody's wants and needs, we would never get done. And there's a backside penalty to that. If we say okay, 5/8s decking is going to be the rule in Randolph County, by the commissioners making an ordinance, then nobody will be allowed to use the standard 7/16s. And then they will be penalized for what's going on with somebody else's condition. So, the 3/8s is allowable in the code. We follow the code there, and a person asked me too, say the roofing companies are telling us it's too dangerous to walk on. It's 60 years old and it's had 3 roofs. That's not totally true. I wouldn't use 3/8s. The roofing company doesn't want to use 3/8s, and honestly, I believe that if the shingle manufacturer won't warrant the 3/8s, then that will be between the insurance company and the shingle manufacturer and the contractor. But it's not Randolph County's place to change every ordinance to help to defeat an insurance company's stand. They're just going to replace what was there. So, that's why, and I talked to one of the individuals too, Bob. I said I didn't bring it up last time because I didn't want to bring it up and then vote no.

Bob McCoy said so, back to the state code, and I don't know much about that, and if state code, if there is one that says 5/8s, that's not a state code?

Gary Friend said no. That's an ordinance developed by other counties.

Bob McCoy said got you.

Randy Able said I had somebody send me a quote on the code, and I don't think they understood the code. There is a 5/8 requirement for lumber sheeting, not panelized sheeting. So, lumber like the 2 by 6s they used to put on, that is 5/8s.

Bob McCoy said okay.

Randy Able said buy not for panelized.

Gary Friend said and jurisdictions can require it.

Randy Able said they can.

Gary Friend said but they don't have to. So, what Randy is saying is right. There's a misrepresents in understanding what the material is.

Randy Able said then you get into problems with repairs. So, do you repair 50% of the roof is damaged, do you have to go up to the upgrade standard, or you know? So, there's all kinds of trouble with that.

Bob McCoy said thank you.

Mike said you're welcome. Anything else for Randy?

Gary Friend said one thing, is Eric Devon here?

Randy Able said oh, for the Health Department?

Gary Friend said there are questions, and Randy, I'm sure you're up to speed on this. The 50-foot setback on the septic system, is that set from the wellhead or from the foundation?

Randy Able said it's from the wellhead. I think it's 10 foot from foundation. I believe.

Gary Girton said yeah, it's 50 foot from the wellhead.

Gary Friend said right, which is what I thought.

Randy Able said it's 10 foot from the foundation.

Gary Friend said and everybody else current, these questions were asked, everybody else currently billed as grandfathered for what's setting there. This ordinance doesn't require when you sell a house, that they have to automatically go up upgrade and change, yes or no?

Randy Able said oh, I don't know. Are you talking about the new house department ordinance?

Gary Friend said new house department septic ordinance.

Randy Able said I have not read it yet. I guess I should get it out and read it. I haven't had one.

Sherri Thompson said and the thing was.

Mike said we can't hear you.

Sherri said the reason that Eric isn't here, is he's at the state today. They have decided to revise. The state is revising that septic ordinance.

Gary Friend said so, we shouldn't do the second reading today?

Sherri said yeah, so we won't need that. They're revising that and they've requested a financial impact statement. So, and that wasn't part of it originally. That's why he's not here today. And he sent an email out to Laura, but she may not have gotten it out to everybody.

Mike said okay. That's fine.

Randy Able said our department would appreciate a copy of that.

Mike said you want a copy of the one he's proposing now, or do you want to wait until.

Meeks said I'll send it to you right now.

Randy Able said okay. We'll read through it when we get time.

Mike said okay. Very good.

Randy Able said okay. That it. Alright. Thank you very much.

Mike said okay. Thanks Randy.

Eric Devon – Sewage system ordinance 2nd reading

Mike said and we'll table Eric.

Chris Burton – Health Insurance renewal

Mike said brings us to Chris Burton, health insurance renewal, county health insurance. Chris.

Chris Burton said it's good to see everybody. So, that time of year with the health insurance and we have Bill Kocher and he is with the Jefferson Health Plan. I think we've talked about in the past, looking at the county trust for the program. And so, that's what he does. So, we brought him along. They have a real competitive quote. We'll go through that here in just a second. You know, mainly, kind of started in Ohio, so, they've just kind of gotten in Indiana in the last year or so. But they have, I think, like 225 county governments in their trust, about 30,000 lives. So, it's really stable, been around for a while. We think a really good option for Randolph County. And if you look inside your, first on the right side in your folder, just to kind of compare to what we have right now, you end up getting about a 10%, almost 11% increase from the current. And that's really, the re-insurance is with Sunlife. So, with these guys, we're getting about 2% increase. So, it's a better deal. In the first page here, we've had a lot of requests about trying to make the benefits a little bit better for the employees. So, we were able to do that with this plan. The benefits are, we've improved it. On the HSA side, we've gone from a 4,000 deductible to 3,500. So, that's better. And then on the PPO side, we've gone from 3,000 to \$2,000.00 deductible. That PPO plan still has office co-pays and that type of thing. So, I think the employees will be pleased that the benefits have gotten a little bit better. So, that's that, and you turn the page, as far as the financials, in the first column on the left is your current, and then the renewal, I mentioned 10 ½ %, and then getting down here with Jefferson Health Plan, we've got about a 2% increase.

Gary Friend said that was 1% a week ago.

Chris Burton said it changed a little bit.

Gary Friend said what's no lasers mean?

Chris Burton said so, lasers we have, like right now, we have a \$60,000 specific, deductible on, any claims above \$60,000 are covered by the re-insurance. With Jefferson Health Plan, it's \$70,000.

Mike said 75.

Gary Friend said 75.

Chris Burton said 75. And then, so, we had a couple of people that had some higher claims situations, so they instead of \$60,000 specific, it was like a \$100,000. And a \$120,000 on a couple of people. Those have gone away. So, there's none of that with the Jefferson Health Plan. It's a \$75,000.00 specific deductible. Above that, it's covered 100%.

Gary Friend said is there an aggregate stop loss?

Chris Burton said yes.

Gary Friend said and it is?

Chris Burton said and we still have an aggregate like we.

Gary Friend said 3 million?

Chris Burton said pardon me?

Gary Friend said around 3 million?

Chris Burton said yeah, yep. It's actually, and I got another document here. This is on 127 people okay, because it kind of changes. After renewal time, we had 117 we've grown right. So, this is on 127 people. So, inflated that max liability point a little bit. But down at the very bottom in purple, the expected annual cost is about 2.9 and then the max is 3.5. So, at 127 people, that's a little bit inflated. I'll show you this other document here in just a second.

Mike said why isn't there a premium for family?

Chris Burton said what's that?

Mike said why isn't there a premium charge for family in here?

Chris Burton said you mean on?

Mike said the difference in health plan for single is \$635.24.

Chris Burton said they just do a, instead of single family, just do one rate, you know, for, it's a composite rate. It's a composite rate.

Gary Friend said families are not excluded?

Chris Burton said no, no, no, no. They're just, it's just one rate. They don't break it out single family. Well I took it off this sheet here.

Chris Burton said for the aggregate, I took it off this, yeah. And if you want it, we have it in the very, there's a document in the back that looks like that. It says Jefferson Health plan.

Bill said and we do break it out on this first page. On the back page it's just total.

Chris Burton said it is broken out on the prior two pages. We just, as far as the spread sheet, we just used the aggregate.

Mike said the annual accruals, is that what I'm looking at, and half of, it's employees and half of it's families, is that what we mean? I'm not following you on that. I guess part of the concern there is that an employee that has single coverage gets so much deducted from their paycheck every pay, and for the family coverage it's so much deducted and it's basically on their premium that we are charged. So, if everybody is charged the same, but we know a family is going to cost us more than an employee, how do we?

Bill said it's shown on this page, if you can see it. There's on the, okay. If you flip that over. So, you see there, in this example here is the PPO. There're 37 employees that are factors at 1,400, which we don't call a premium, we call it accrual. And then the family is the 3,248. I think that's what you're asking. That rolls up to give the total for the PTO. Family cost is 662 and the employees is 627.

Chris Burton said and we come up with informational rates. Inside the pocket too, the sheet that looks this, guys, if you want to look, pull that one out, because this is on, this is what we show you guys every year. So, we have your current, the rates are up at the top, like your current, saying the PPO we have informational rates, Mike, that's what you're talking about, and then we have the employee cost, what they're paying, the \$51.00 per month, \$344 per family. You do that on both plans.

Mike said well I understand that. I'm trying to understand how I calculate this on the new Jefferson.

Chris Burton said well I'll show you here in just a second. Let me go through this and we'll show you. So, we have the current and last year expected on 117 employees was about 2.4 million. We actually came in about a little over that, a little over expected last year. With the pharmacy rebate that we got from TrueScripts, almost \$100,000.00 in pharmacy rebates. So, you came in about 2.4 in actual cost. So, we came in really close to what was expected, so, that's a good thing. Then there was the renewal at the 10.8. And so, we added that 10.8 to those informational rates there, so the 1227 on the HSA goes to 1360. We left the employee cost the same. And we come down here, the bottom line, so the county cost went up to about 2.5 million. Now with the Jefferson Health plan, at 2%, it's about 2.3 million. So, that's where the savings is with these guys. And we have about \$77,000 in HSA contributions.

Mike said that's a presumption that the employee contribution remains the same.

Chris Burton said we kept them the same because, and we get back to that 2% increase, that doesn't anticipate we're going to get another \$100,000.00 in pharmacy rebates or thereabouts, next year. So, we're going to be really close to your current cost, you know, again. So, we figured we'd keep the employee rates the same.

Gary Friend said these numbers here reflecting a higher stop loss of \$15,000.00 from last year, won't that wash out the savings if we hit that same 5 or 6 times?

Chris Burton said because you have down here your total projected cost, okay, it's all under that.

Gary Friend said okay.

Chris Burton said so you just get there at a little different level.

Gary Friend said okay.

Chris Burton said so, with these guys, they don't have a 60,000, you know, they have a 50,000.

Gary Friend said well you going to go to 70 on the other one.

Chris Burton said they wanted me to go to 70 with Sun Life. I mean, we held them off at 60.

Gary Friend said well actually, if they go to 70 and we go to 10%, it's really more than 10% if we have people going another \$10,000.00 on the top side instead of the bottom side premium.

Chris Burton said it should even out under that total projected cost, okay?

Gary Friend said projected cost.

Chris Burton said yeah. And that's where we get into 2% increase, okay? Now, if you guys have a terrible year, I mean, this has not happened. Okay, we've not come close to any max liability. You guys always come in close to expected. So, raising it you know, 60,000, 75, doesn't cause any alarms for me. And with these guys, you're getting, I brought him because I want him to talk a little bit about you know, just the general health plan. He was a city manager, so he comes from this background, so, before he started doing this. So, I think it's, you know, for me getting stability for your guys is my number one goal. And being with a larger group of counties in a bigger trust, you get some reinsurance protection there as well, when they're doing the renewals.

Gary Friend said there're three major groups that we're using here surrounds us completely,

Chris Burton said yeah.

Gary Friend said from Reid, St. Vincent and Indiana University, right?

Chris Burton said yes. So, network-wise, the only change we're going to have, I didn't bring, Unified Group Services is going to be the new third-party administrator. Okay, it's not going to be UMR anymore, because these guys work with, drive to Anderson, Indiana. But the employees aren't going to really, TrueScripts remains the same. And that's the biggest thing, keeping prescriptions all the same. That's not going to change. As far as the administrator, the people paying the claims, these guys do a great job. You know, I think, I mean, matter of fact, I kind of

think it'll be an enhancement for the employees because it'll bring a little more personal touch to the administration side. They're right in Indiana. They're right in Anderson, Indiana. We have a lot of business with them. So, they came right to the insurance committee meeting. I think everybody felt pretty comfortable with UGS. But, I don't know if you want to mention anything about you guys.

Bill said sure. I appreciate it, like I said, I was a city manager for 25 years, so, it's kind of fun to see the opening today and the different things they've done. So, I was a customer, the city I worked for out side of Cincinnati, was a customer of Jefferson Health Plan, and became involved with it. Jefferson Health Plan is a council of government, or is a not-for-profit government, which I think is another advantage for us. We're not as profit driven. We have, like Gary mentioned, we have over 225 local governments, which include counties, cities and school districts, and over 30,000 covered employees. So, that creates that stability, I liked it so much I left and came here to work two years ago. So, it's a good company.

Gary Friend said who else in our area works with you?

Bill said we have two school districts, Montgomery and Lapel, which is more up north. And, I'm sorry, I'm lacking on the third. So, you guys would be the fourth in Indiana.

Mike said in Indiana?

Bill said yeah. So, we've been in business in Ohio since 1985. Started with a group of local governments that wanted to pool their resources. It was kind of, at least in Ohio, the state especially tries to get us to pool and share resources, and that's really where the basis of this came from.

Gary Friend said no state line barriers of any kind?

Bill said we, everything will be kept separate, yes. So, the pooling here is, there is kept separate.

Gary Friend said our pooling, we get the lower rates because your financial pooling of both.

Bill said exactly, because we have that leverage of all the 30,000.

Chris Burton said that's, you know, and really for other self-funded business, not counties, where these insurance is out there, so we're trying to do the same thing for other self-funded businesses, because this re-insurance thing could get kind of dicey. You know, with lasers and all this kind of thing. So, we're using captives like Jefferson Health Plan for a lot of our self-funded business.

Gary Friend said on the TrueScripts, this will be a simple transition?

Chris Burton said yeah.

Gary Friend said because the last time we did this, it got a little dicey for a while.

Bill said prescriptions are the difficult one because they go active day one.

Gary Friend said well people run out in January

Chris Burton said that's, that's seamless. TrueScripts works with UGS all the time, you know, that's just a feed. So, it won't affect the employees, and that's the biggest thing, here in the change. It all starts July 1. That's when all this renews. The nice thing too, is when they do the funding every month, they just take your projected cost divided by 12, so you don't have so much up and down right. So, that's another advantage.

Gary Friend said provided we go there, when will the employees get cards? Will it be two weeks late getting the card?

Chris Burton said I mean, we're going to get right on this. I mean, you know, it's June the 3rd, right, today. So, it's kind of been in the works a little bit, just to get things going. The biggest thing is that prescription piece, Gary. So, getting the cards and all that. On the other side of fence, it's not going to be as difficult. So, by, we will have information for the employees by July 1st. If they don't have an actual card in their hand, they will have a temporary card, or some information, okay. And they'll have the prescriptions will be in there. Now for me to sit there and say it always goes exactly smooth, I mean, there could be some bumps, but the folks at UGS are really good. And so, I don't anticipate issues there.

Gary Friend said is there a council member on the insurance committee?

Shannon said no.

Gary Friend said there is not? Why not?

Shannon said I don't know.

Gary Friend said okay. I'll ask them. I mean, it's a joint effort, commissioners to choose. They fund it.

Shannon said I agree.

Gary Friend said okay.

Chris Burton said real quick, there's this document. This is your last ag report, you know, from the current. And this is showing in the middle of the page, I don't need to spend a lot of time on it, but you guys are running about 75% of your max liability point. You know, so it's right there in the middle of the page. That's the most recent one, so, that's in there as well. The life, disability, dental, no changes with Sun Life. All those rates are staying the same. The only thing that's changing is the vision. And it's going up like 40 cents I think, or something like that, for an employee, so it's minimal. And that's all with Sun Life. We're not changing any of that.

Mike said it's my understanding that the insurance committee is recommending going to Jefferson Health plan. Laura sent me an email to indicate that. I presume the minor change from last week has been shared with the committee. Hope that wasn't a decisive factor.

Chris Burton said I just found out about that late Friday from Mr. Kocher. So, the good thing is, when you move a self-funded plan, it's all the underwriting, okay, getting update the claims, and this is stuff that's been going on behind the scenes for you guys for the last 30 days.

Mike said it went from a 1% increase to 2%?

Chris Burton said 2%, yeah.

Gary Friend said 100% jump.

Chris Burton said what's that?

Gary Friend a 100% jump.

Chris Burton said so, this is a, but your things are locked in now. So, we got the approval. I felt, I know you didn't like your email I had sent last Friday, but the good thing was the change was kind of minimal, and it locked in everything, so, we're good to go. We just got to get it enrolled now.

Mike said well do we want to take the recommendation and approve the Jefferson Health plan before us?

Gary Friend said what do you think Gary?

Mike said you have the employee contribution the same?

Gary Friend said yeah. Does the 1 to 2% jump alarm you?

Gary Girton said no, it doesn't me.

Gary Friend said then I'll make a motion to accept the recommendation.

Mike said I've got a motion to approve the recommendation to go with Jefferson Health plan for the county employee health insurance policy. Do I have a second?

Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris Burton said we appreciate it. It does mean a lot to us. You know, we appreciate having your business.

Mike said I was thinking it was the meeting before COVID burst out that we talked to someone about a county coop for health insurance. I never heard from her again.

Gary Girton said well we've talked about this in insurance committee off and on ever since. It's been there on the table. It's just that we haven't come to this conclusion yet.

Meeks said so Chris, I always ask this, I always get the questions, things like that. So, the changes, we're not changing anybody's contribution. We know that. But their deductible is going to go down, it looks like \$500.00?

Chris Burton said it is.

Gary Friend said and a 1,000 on family?

Meeks said and a 1,000 on family. That's the big change. The co-insurance, I guess that goes from, well that's the same. Any other big change, I don't see anything else. That's the big change.

Chris Burton said yeah, we just improved the plan for the employees.

Meeks said yeah, and the medical deductible moved up just a little bit.

Chris Burton said I think they'll be happy. I mean when you go to the employee meetings.

Meeks said I know, but they get asked a lot and I seem to be asked. Every place I go into it seems like they ask me.

Chris Burton said and we'll be doing meetings and going through all the change with them. And actually, there are going to be representatives from UGS with me doing the meeting. So, we'll get all that for them.

Meeks said now is the contract going to be ready to sign then?

Chris Burton said the only thing that really needs signed today is this agreement. I've looked through it. It's pretty standard you know, language. It's pretty, so if you want to hold on to it, read through it, you know, or sign it today and then, whatever.

Mike said Meeks. We get Meeks to read all our contracts.

Meeks said I'll look at it right now.

Gary Friend said will this affect the.

Mike said do we have a copy of that in our packet?

Chris Burton said I can email you a copy.

Gary Friend said will this affect the health bus coming?

Chris Burton said no, certainly not. We work closely with UGS, matter of fact, these guys are very happy with our medical team mobile unit. And you guys participate in that greatly. We've helped a lot of employees with the medical team, for sure.

Gary Girton said been a real benefit.

Chris Burton said appreciate that.

Gary Girton said a real benefit.

Chris Burton said we're making a huge difference, and I also tell Dr. Ertel we need to write a book someday because the things we uncover, people just don't go to the doctor generally. And I think United Health Care or Anthem will tell you about 30% of their membership get an annual physical. 70% of people don't. So, that's why we started doing this.

Mike said can we sign that and email it to you?

Chris Burton said you can, yeah. Meeks, if you have questions.

Meeks said no problem.

Mike said we'll get that signed today.

Chris Burton said alright. We appreciate you guys much.

Aaron Black – Resolution 2024-10 EDIT loan

Mike said next item is a resolution 2024-10. I don't know if Aaron is here or not. I don't think he is. This is a resolution of the county commissioners of Randolph County authorizing an economic development income tax loan to Randolph Eastern School Corporation for a daycare project and related matters. The loan is for \$100,000.00 at a zero percent interest from our Economic Development fund. We agreed to do this at our last meeting, and this is the resolution doing it.

RESOLUTION No. 2024-10

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RANDOLPH COUNTY
INDIANA, AUTHORIZING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX LOAN TO
RANDOLPH EASTERN SCHOOL CORPORATION FOR A DAYCARE PROJECT AND
RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS the Randolph County Commissioners (the "Commissioners") recognizes the need to assist with the funding of a daycare in Union City, Indiana; and

WHEREAS the Commissioners desires to provide an interest-free loan in the amount of \$100,000 (the "Loan") to the Randolph Eastern School corporation to assistance with a portion of the funding for a daycare in Union City, Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Randolph County Commissioners, that:

1. The Commissioners approves the Loan in the amount of \$100,000 at 0.00% interest to Randolph Eastern School Corporation. The repayment terms of the Loan provide that Randolph Eastern School Corporation shall pay it within 5 years from receipt of the funds.
2. The President of the Randolph County Commissioners and/or the Auditor of Randolph County is authorized to execute any documents related to the Loan to the Randolph Eastern School Corporation.

Gary Girton made motion to approve. Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Greg Beumer – 4-H Future Needs

Mike said Greg Beumer. 4-H future needs committee. Good morning Greg.

Greg Beumer said good morning. I'm going to let Roger Goff, who is the head of the future needs committee, kind of kick this off.

Mike said okay.

Roger said well, me and Mike Reed, we're with the future needs committee on the Capital Campaign project. Just kind of re-cap what the projects are, we have two projects out there. One project is doing the kitchen, dining rooms that will be attached to the Best Way center. The second project is the show arena, bathrooms and showers and concession stand. We did get two final bids in on the project. The bid, the total for the project was a little over 2.8 million dollars to do both projects. We have raised a little over 1.8 million dollars towards the project, and in your package, you'll see the breakdown. I won't go through all that on how we raised our money and stuff. When we started this project, the Capital Campaign, we were wanting to do both projects at the same time. That's still our goal. Right now, we are on track to break ground for the kitchen, dining room and bathrooms that will be attached to the Best Way center. Today, we're here seeking assistance for securing some funds, finance funds to complete the show arena bathrooms and showers and concession stand. Right now, we are right at a deficit at \$1,000,000.00 to be able to complete the project to do both at the same time. And that's basically, our project and if you guys have any questions, I'd be free to answer them.

Gary Friend said is there any other READI grant that can come in from round II?

Roger said I'll let Greg, Greg handles all our READI grants and stuff, so, he can talk about that.

Gary Friend said because, I don't know.

Greg Beumer said and I would say with their READI 2.0, there have been a number of projects that have been submitted from Randolph County. The potential for us to receive additional funding for the 4-H project, when we haven't, just simply because of scheduling and logistics, been able to start construction on the first award, I just feel like it would have not done justice to some of the other projects. And so, we did not pursue that.

Gary Friend said well that makes sense. Are there any future opportunities? I mean, when will the construction start on the kitchen?

Roger said it will start this fall right after the county fair.

Gary Friend said and after funds are gathered up to go all the way through, when will arena begin?

Roger said if we had the money and stuff, it would all start at the same time. The show arena and stuff will probably start just a little later.

Gary Friend said a little later.

Roger said not much, probably, the way Steve talked, you know, we'll start, we're definitely going to start on the front. And then as things progress and stuff, that we want to start as soon as we can, or at least, be able to say let's get moving on the show arena too.

Gary Friend said is the campaign for funding, do you think it's exhausted? I'll just tell you what I'm thinking. Let's just say Randolph County, hypothetically, right now, would put in another \$350,000.00 making our contribution a million dollars in total, can you get there from there, do you think?

Roger said I think. I think we're pretty well exhausted with our campaign, because I mean, we've hit about everybody in the county, and I think for right now, we need to, I would say no. I'd say we're probably pretty well exhausted with the fundraising on that.

Mike said what are you being advised or, are you wanting to do both projects at the same time because of just getting it done, making the fairgrounds more attractive, more useable and get on with the future needs, or is it you've been advised you're going to save X number of dollars by doing this as well?

Roger said the biggest thing is to save costs, because if we wait another year, it will increase. This will be a different bid on the show arena, just because of, I mean, just the way it is now with the increase of all the material and labor. But that's, that was one of the things that we were wanting to try to do both, and stayed doing both because of just, we know from the last 4 or 5 years that we've been working on this, how much everything has increased on us. And we were just wanting to try to lock that in, keep the increase. And plus, the scheduling for the fair, and we need it the show arena and the bathrooms outside. We need the improvement to keep moving on.

Mike said well, from a county-wide standpoint, I think the fairground is one of the best assets we have.

Roger said I agree with that.

Mike said when we gave the, was it 600 or 650?

Gary Girton said 650.

Gary Friend said 650.

Roger Guth said 650.

Mike said 650 then. We expended it out of Renewable Energy funds. And I'm inclined to give them a million today. So, I'll just speak my peace and I think the fairgrounds affects everybody in the county. Renewable energy has not affected everybody in the county. I think it's as worthy a project as we've been presented with. And ultimately, I don't know what would happen, but ultimately, it is the county's asset. And I think it's probably time for the county to spend more money on it, I guess I'll say. So, that's where I stand on it.

Gary Friend said I also believe you've probably exhausted all the avenues. Actually, did pretty well I think, in getting money on your own. I wasn't prepared to go \$900,000. But, I'll be honest, it's just like, however, it kind of goes back too, when we put some funding in the trails. I always enjoy people's trails until we're asked to do it ourself. And we did. We said yeah, it's time for us to also be involved in this if we want to do it. So, I don't disagree with Mike. I think if we don't do it now, we're not going to get it. I first wanted to say, we'll receive the \$350,000.00 and get you guys back to your campaign but I don't think it would get there. I agree with Greg too, we don't have anything. I agree Mike. I'll do it.

Mike said Gary?

Gary Girton said I have a little different outlook. I'm in favor of the project and have been from the very start, and support it personally. But, I'd like to put a little, put some amount of money in there as a zero loan for a period of time, because I still think there's more money out there that the people are willing to give, if they see the project started and see something going up and see what it's going, how it's going to benefit the county, and all this. And I think there're other people out there that, I know there're other people out there. I don't just think. I know there're other people out there that have funds they can contribute to this to make this a part of their project as well as part of the county project. And that's my feeling. I'm not opposed. In fact, I'm a 100% in favor of moving forward with it. But I'd like to have that part built into it, because I think it's there and I think we need to get more people in the county involved.

Mike said so, what would that look like then?

Gary Girton said I don't know. That, I'm just putting that out there.

Mike said want to give them 900 and loan them a 100? Give them 800, loan them 200, I mean it basically, comes down to where we go. I don't think, and correct me if I'm wrong, I don't think you can pay it back with income from 4-H and the fairgrounds. I think it would have to come from the community.

Gary Girton said well, it would have to come from donations, particularly designated for this project. And they've already got this fund established. I mean, you've already got it there. It's just a matter of adding to it.

Mike Reed said yeah, and we could keep track of the additional donations that come in to help pay that back.

Gary Friend said now, after thinking all this through, there's been some disagreement on investing in trails. A lot of it come from what would be 4-H more inclined to use it, I think. I think this would show the good faith of Randolph County, that we treat everybody as a whole. And I've heard you know, the complaints, hey you've spent a million dollars on trails, why did you do that? Because you could go everywhere and use the trail, it matters. Why would we spend a million dollars, I guess, which puts us in at a million six but that's our asset, completely. To help the other side of the community, say hey, we're all in this together, with two different projects going on both are important to two different groups of people, and you know, maybe this will help spread that that goodwill too. Hey, we're all in this together, whether you agree a 100% on one, a 100% on the other one, we do agree that Randolph County needs to develop. So, Mike, I'll make a motion that we ask the council to go with us and do a million dollars for this project

Mike said he wants to go all the way.

Gary Friend said I just don't think you are going to get the money. I think you've got what there is to get.

Gary Girton said I don't agree.

Gary Friend said up front.

Gary Girton said I don't agree with that all.

Gary Friend said okay.

Gary Girton said but then, I want to see the project move forward. I don't know, I made up my mind that I was going to go this other way before I came today.

Mike said well what would be your motion?

Gary Girton said I'd like to see a 100 to a 150,000 of it put there for other people to contribute. We're showing that the county, we've already given 650, which I was 100% in favor of. And I'm in favor of, as I said, I'm a 100% in favor of the project. I'm not saying anything negative

on that. But I would like to see, since the county has well, just for figures, let's say we give 800,000 and 6, we've given almost 1 ½ million dollars to this project. And we've got a lot of people in the county that's sitting out there with a lot of money that could be, some of it, and each one individually, if each one, you know, if only we have 200,000 for example, I'm not saying that's the number but 200,000 for example, how many people given 3 or 4,000 over 2 or 3-year period of time, is that going to take to make that extra money? Not many. And I don't see any reason why we can't have people say hey, you know, I think this is a good idea that hasn't given, or even those that have, this is a great idea. I'm going to kick in this extra money to make it work. And if we've got a carrot out there, you know, we need this extra money, something to say, not just way well, it's all paid for, you don't have to worry about doing anything else. You can keep your money in your pocket at home and forget about it. That's not my feeling today with this project because, as Gary said, it's a county project, and it's needed. And we've needed to do something in the past. And now we've got to this point where we are getting to move forward. And we do have funding, or you do have funding to build part of it, but not all of it. So, let these people say hey, I'm willing to give more. I'm going to do this. I haven't given at all.

Mike said so, what if we, what if you moved that we grant them \$850,000.00 from Windfarm Renewable Energy and we loan them \$150,000.00 for, how long, 5 years?

Gary Girton said yeah.

Mike said at zero interest, and they, or if doesn't raise the 150,000 and the county says pay it back, where does that leave us?

Gary Girton said well, that's another, that's something down the road. But I think we need to give them an option. And when we eliminate that option today, there's no chance to do that.

Gary Friend said can I interject one thing here. And I don't disagree with you, what you are saying, but, by doing this for them and their campaign driving, it eliminates their ability to do minor things, because it'll take every dollar they can get their hands on for the next few years just to satisfy this. There are other things out there going on they have to do.

Gary Girton said not necessarily if we give them 5 years to do it.

Gary Friend said well still let them take that money and going straight to the project and not fixing the roof maybe because they just don't have the funds.

Roger said I mean, that's the thing, I mean, I understand what you're saying, you're thinking that you see somebody, you see us starting to build, people will give. But, like Gary just said, a lot of the money we raised, we raised quite a bit of money but we put back into the other buildings bringing them up-to-date.

Gary Girton said I know you did.

Roger said so, we're not in the position we are today with two older facilities that we have to do.

Gary Girton said I understand.

Roger said I mean, I understand where you're coming from, but, also, the extra money that we get brought into us, I mean, we're throwing right back in to painting roofs, repairing different buildings and stuff out there.

Gary Girton said well if it doesn't happen 5 years down the road, come back and say hey, you know, we're between a rock and a hard place, can we forgive this, or can we extend the loan. There're other options to make this thing work, other than just saying it's a yes or a no answer.

Gary Friend said 5 years from now there'll be other people sitting here and it might change the whole entire outlook than here today. And that's the way government works. I get it, but, I would hate to say that in 5 years there might be 3 people that are completely against 4-H and any funding.

Mike said and it really is subject to that, because we don't have a plan for how we're going to spend renewable funds.

Gary Friend said right.

Mike said You mentioned that if I were to agree to going forward with a grant and a loan, that I would be doing a 180-degree turnaround on what I came in here thinking this morning. I just think we give them the million dollars I think, that's what I want to do.

Gary Girton said well I will not vote against that, but I'm not in favor of it.

Mike said Gary made the motion to give them a million, and I'll second that.

Meeks said where is that coming from?

Gary Friend said Renewable Energy fund.

Mike said Renewable Energy funds which, all in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.

All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said so that motion carries. Now, you'll have to attend the council meeting in the morning and they'll need to approve.

Greg Beumer said so, basically, this is a recommendation to the council?

Mike said no, it's, Renewable Energy fund, we have to agree to spend it and the council has to, as well. As much as I'd like to speak for the council, I can't do that. But it is, we do know, it's \$1,000,000.00.

Meeks said so is that up to \$1,000,000.00 or is that?

Gary Friend said it is \$1,000,000.00.

Meeks said okay so, if the council comes back and says 500,000, they would have to come back to you guys.

Gary Friend said yes.

Mike said yeah.

Meeks said okay. Just so you guys are clear with that. If they say \$999,999.00, you would have to come back here.

Mike said okay. Anything else?

Greg Beumer said no.

Gary Friend said I still believe it helps pull the entire county together, different ways you could look at it.

Conan Wallace, Jason Clearwater – Increase of loan for T-hanger

Mike said Conan Wallace and Jason Clearwater.

Jason Clearwater said I believe this was distributed by email. Does anyone want a paper copy?

Meeks said I haven't seen that.

Jason Clearwater said so, 6 months ago, right before the holidays, we came in to discuss the T-hanger development project at the airport. At that time, we were still in the design phase. We've since bid that. We've actually bid it twice. To give you an update, the project originally bid on April 16th. We only had one bidder, approximately 1.12 million dollars. It was well over the engineer's estimate. The board agreed to reject that, and put me to work to go find some more bidders. I really thought we'd have more than one bid, based on turnout at the pre-bid meeting. So, I contacted all the potential contractors that we had, tried to work through some other hesitations and bidding. We couldn't really change the scope much. It's a building with electric and doors that open and close, so, there's really not much we could cut out. But we did get a lot more participation the second time around. We re-bid on May 15, received 6 bids. That's on page 3 of that packet. We actually brought the low bid down by almost \$163,000.00. The low bid was \$978,058.00. So, that, with our professional services during construction, FAA grant administration, takes the total to get to the end of construction, \$1,040,985.00. So, going back to our meeting in December, there's not that much grant funding available currently. At that time, we'd ask for a loan to be able to move forward quicker and pay it back through the next couple of years of FAA grants. And that's where we're at now. However, with the revised ask. So, in that packet, I left some of the original numbers and just struck them so you could see the changes. So, now, the total project at 5% local share, that 5% has went up to \$52,049.25. And

the shortfall, loan amount that was 447,000 back in December, based on estimates only, now \$628,641.00 and kind of, the pay back, now we're stretched into fiscal year 2027 of the final reimbursement if we were to move forward with that revised loan amount. Still expected to pay back the 5% within less than 30 months. So, our ask today would be to change the loan amount to be able to move forward. The alternates would be to not move forward at all, and potentially re-bid it, next year. As you've heard other presentations, the cost likely will not be lower next year. So, that's kind of where we're at, based on the bids that we received. I think the board did their due diligence of rejecting the one bid and going back out and getting 6 bids instead of the one that was obviously, more competitive and brought down that low bid over \$150,000.00.

Mike said so, before, when we had agreed to loan the...

Jason Clearwater said 446,956?

Mike said 446, then you would pay that out with funds received through fiscal year 2026?

Jason Clearwater said correct. Now we're going to have to go into 27 to get that paid back.

Conan Wallace said there's still fiscal year 25 and 26, are the last two years of the infrastructure bill funds. So, we'll have that in 25 and 26, plus the airport's entitlement, 150,000, Federal. And then in 27, we'll have a portion of that entitlement needed as well, to pay back. So, it does draw out the payback period end of fiscal year 27.

Gary Friend said just like I asked the 4-H board there by spending all this money in the future, does this stop any, all their capital improvements?

Jason Clearwater said it will. However, at this time, we don't have any identified as needed.

Gary Friend said at all?

Jason Clearwater said at all. All the pavement, the lighting, is still well within its service life. We do not have any other projects earmarked for these funds.

Mike said but you can roll those over for four years, can't you?

Jason Clearwater said you can roll for 3 and spend them in 4, correct.

Mike said so, if you, based upon the original loan, you would have some left in 2026 to roll then you would have 2027 to roll?

Jason Clearwater said correct.

Mike said and in 2028, by the end of that year, you'd be ready probably for another capital project.

Gary Friend said so, 27, am I reading this right, is 44,195 committed for the fiscal year 27?

Jason Clearwater said correct.

Gary Friend said if we just, if we just went ahead and covered that, because it's our asset too, let you start growing funds for another project, what Mike I saying, we could make that appropriation probably, out of ARPA funding and not have to borrow the money.

Jason Clearwater said okay.

Gary Friend said do you understand what I'm saying?

Jason Clearwater said I do.

Gary Friend said Conan, do you?

Conan Wallace said yeah.

Mike said so, we would loan you \$628,641 less \$44,195.

Gary Friend said yeah, it's covered to start your account for re-accruing or growing.

Jason Clearwater said yeah, you effectively, just even numbers, you'd double your local share from 5% to 10% at the end of the project. All in, the local share is \$52,49,25, that's the 5% on the overall cost.

Gary Friend said well I'm not wanting to make it difficult, I'm just projecting forward.

Jason Clearwater said oh yeah, no, I understand, no, that would help the airport get the plan for 27.

Gary Friend said right.

Jason Clearwater said it would make it a 3-year funding commitment instead of a 3.5.

Gary Friend said so, if we were to commit the money right now, through ARPA funding, which we do need to get some ARPA money committed, it could go into an account. You'll spend it out, you're going to build this next year, right?

Jason Clearwater said I talked to the contractor this morning. In order to lock in the steel prices, he would like to move forward as quick as possible and actually break ground in August, but order the steel as soon as possible.

Gary Friend said the reason I asked is because we can commit ARPA funds. We have to have them committed this year, but we have to spend them out before a certain date. I believe that's.

Gary Girton said 26.

Gary Friend said 26, Gary?

Gary Girton said yeah.

Jason Clearwater said if they start in August, most of the construction costs will be incurred this calendar year. I think they can be done by the end of the calendar year if they start in August.

Gary Friend said so, we've been helping out, trying to help our assets. The airport has not gotten any funding at all through ARPA. I don't know, Mike, Gary, what do you guys think about that?

Mike said what do you think, Gary?

Gary Girton said I don't have a problem. As Gary said, we haven't contributed a lot of extra, other than what you requested, based on the percentage figures.

Mike said I was really thinking about contributing a little more.

Gary Friend said okay.

Mike said \$44,195 would raise that loan to \$584,446 is the way I calculate that. Would that be right?

Jason said sounds right.

Mike said okay. I don't think we can, I don't think we, I mean, the loan amount would be, the addition to the loan you're asking is \$181,685. And I don't think ARPA is the fund to spend all that out of.

Gary Friend said not that much, no.

Mike said I don't know if we want to consider spending some of that out of Economic Development because the airport is an economic development asset.

Gary Friend said we have a lot in the economic development to be able to spend. A million three I think.

Mike said I might, I mean, what about spending part of the \$181,685 out of ARPA and the other part out of EDIT funds. And just leave the loan where it is, which then would give them some of 26 to roll over as well.

Gary Friend said okay. So, we have economic development funds just to do it all, and then use ARPA on the jail, which is coming up too.

Mike said what do you think, Gary? The T-hanger is going to be obviously an enhancement. It's also going to increase the revenue to the airport for many years to come. And the last hanger they build has been a success.

Jason Clearwater said yep. It was occupied on day one and has been paid, your local share has come back, plus more.

Mike said I guess I'd make that motion, that we spend the difference of \$181,685 to support the T-hanger project at the airport from EDIT funds.

Gary Friend said \$181,685 out of our EDIT plan?

Mike said yeah.

Gary Friend said yeah, I agree. I'll second it.

Mike said what do you think, Gary?

Gary Girton said I'd rather take it out of the EDIT than

Mike said okay.

Gary Friend said that much, I would too.

All aye votes.

Jason Clearwater said question. Is there another step that the airport needs to take to be able to access those funds or are we good to award the project?

Mike said well there's another step that we have to amend our EDIT plan. And then we have to go before the EDIT board, which is my understanding, they cannot not accept our EDIT plan.

Meeks said I don't know if that's true or not.

Mike said it's never been done, so.

Meeks said it's never been done.

Gary Friend said it's never been done, and it's really.

Meeks said then why do you have a board?

Mike said well I say they can.

Meeks said I'd think they would do a negative recommendation, come back to you, and then do it. There's probably an extra step there.

Mike said there is another step but.

Gary Friend said it's never been done.

Meeks said but you have ARPA funding. You have ARPA funding.

Mike said it's a step for us

Meeks said they can cover it. You have ARPA funding.

Gary Friend said we can cover it.

Mike said okay.

Gary Friend said in the unlikely event that would happen.

Mike said you can award the contract.

Meek said so, \$181,685.

Gary Friend said \$181,685.

Jason Clearwater said okay. The next airport meeting, I will ask them to award the project and get things locked in and move forward.

Mike said okay. Very good.

Jason Clearwater said appreciate it.

Conan Wallace said thank you.

Ceann Bales - space in the RCFFO building for the Tornado Relief

Mike said Ceann Bales. Space in the RCFFO building for the tornado relief long term recovery committee. Jake, do you want to participate in this?

Jake Donham said I can, yeah.

Mike said have you talked with Jake?

Ceann Bales said oh, yes.

Mike said are you okay with the space?

Ceann Bales said yes. So, I appreciate Jake got back with me very quickly last week and we would like to request the use of the old highway department two office spaces, to use that, and I

do want to say that we would like it to be noted that if, at any time, that there would be a renter, because I know that's kind of prime space in that facility, that we would look, be willing to look for other locations because we don't want to take space that.

Gary Friend said how long are you planning?

Ceann Bales said we're projecting it's going to probably be a year and a half.

Gary Friend said a year and a half.

Ceann Bales said and so, that's what we're going at, but we're talking to Jake and looking to that, he said this is kind of prime space that we're asking for, but it is ideal for us. It has two different locations that we can have group meetings that also have a confidential private place to meet with people who are struggling and working to recover. And this is for our case managers. It will be just in normal office hours, so we don't need any special time to be open after hours. And we do, would like to request, I appreciate Jake bringing this up, about internet, if it would be possible, we'd have to talk to the IT people, if we could get connection to the county internet so we would not have to purchase internet. It's not that we would need it a lot, but there would be filings and submittals and if that's a possibility, I don't know. I don't even know if that's possible.

Meeks said we have a secure system, that's the problem.

Mike said probably would need to talk to LEAP.

Ceann Bales said right, yeah, I mean, that's fine. Again, just trying to not have to spend anymore resources than we have to so, we've been working very hard to make sure every penny that we waste goes exactly to the people needing it.

Mike said you don't reach out to LEAP do you, Jake, or do you?

Jake Donham said no, no.

Mike said so, we'll just have Laura reach out to LEAP when she's back and see how that works.

Ceann Bales said okay.

Mike said okay. And if it's possible, I don't have a problem with the connection, but there is a secure system and they probably not want you on our network. But I don't know if there's a guest network down there or not.

Jake Donham said so, the Health Department and down the other hall, surveyor, they do have remote or, they have remote access to be on the guest WIFI. But I don't know if it's going to reach that facility once they get inside it. The signal may drop. There might be some of the LEAP just runs another one of those closer to or inside that area, then they can just tap into the guest WIFI. I don't think those are a super expensive items.

Mike said we'll find out.

Ceann Bales said okay.

Gary Friend said where's the SBA at, out there, small business association, are they in the same office there?

Jake Donham said they already pulled out.

Gary Friend said they're already gone? Okay.

Mike said okay, so, the request is to lease on a monthly basis, you didn't say, but I assume it's zero?

Ceann Bales said yes.

Mike said the old highway office in the RCFFO building.

Gary Girton made motion to approve. Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Ceann Bales said thank you. I appreciate it. Thanks Jake.

Jake Donham said yep.

Gary Friend said I went down to Gas Light this weekend. This is not over. Anybody, a trip down there, I'll let you know, this is not over.

Brad Dilger, EDPR – Riverstart updates

Mike said Brad. Riverstart updates. Morning Brad.

Brad Dilger said morning commissioners. Just some general updates for Riverstart III, the project that is under construction. So, just last week, they started commissioning the first circuits out there. So, that'll eventually lead to COD in July. So, that project will be wrapping up.

Gary Friend said three is where?

Brad Dilger said just off of State Road 1, just north of Modoc.

Mike said around Modoc isn't it?

Brad Dilger said yeah.

Mike said real close to Modoc.

Brad Dilger said yeah, just kind of north, northeast. We've talked to the local contractor about the road repairs associated with that and the time line is roughly 30 to 60 days. To finish those repairs that were indicated by the highway department and then also the double layer chip and seal, as we discussed. So, just waiting on that final pricing and then we can award that contract and move forward.

Gary Friend said there are no disagreements back and forth what the highway thinks we need?

Brad Dilger said no. Yeah, and we can get, I haven't seen the official paperwork yet on it, but we can share that with the proposed work to make those repairs, but the conversations have been the milling down and then, you know, it's known what the county is expecting, so, I can share those with the commissioners and Jay as well. And then also within Riverstart III, there is an issue with a county tile out there that I've been talking to Ed, the surveyor about. So, we're working again with a local contractor to figure out solutions for that to minimize that erosion that's happening, just for the long term of the project, just the landowners that kind of feed into that area. So, those are things that we're working on. We are working on for Riverstart III, and then as we look at Riverstart IV, so, later on, at the drainage board meeting we'll be presenting for our full layout at the drainage board. And associated with that, and I didn't, and I wasn't able to get these sent over to Laura last week, but we've talked about the second page here, which is the improvements and council, commission had asked for a map showing the current conditions. So, we just got current condition and then the proposed repairs on the second page. So, I wanted to present that so we can finalize that plan and add it into our road use agreement. So, it's just, first page is current condition, or current type, road type, and then the second page is where we are anticipating repairs. And we've added in, from the initial conversations.

Gary Friend said maybe.

Mike said what is the area between 1000 West and 900 West?

Gary Friend said do you think it's partial pavement in blue mile?

Mike said yeah, that's the only area they're anticipating any need of improvement. It will be chip and seal, double chip and seal instead of repave.

Brad Dilger said yeah.

Mike said so, we'd be running from, is that a bridge, no, that's not a, there's a section of pavement between 800 and 900, and the rest of it is chip and seal. So, are you just, you're anticipating repair on west 400 South between 1000 and 900?

Brad Dilger said uh huh.

Mike said but your repair would take it from pavement to double chip and seal? Am I reading that right?

Brad Dilger said I think it would stay chip and seal.

Mike said well it's pavement now.

Brad Dilger said on the second page, the yellow area is no improvement needed, and that is, yeah, that's the pavement. So, we're not anticipating having to repair that pavement. But the chip and seal.

Mike said now the one on West 400 South you are. 400 South, not 500.

Brad Dilger said got you.

Mike said you're anticipating repair on 500 too. The one mile between 900 West and 1000 West on 400 South, you're anticipating repairing that with chip and seal.

Brad Dilger said oh, I see that.

Mike said and now it's pavement now.

Brad Dilger said so we would need to bring that back up to this current condition.

Mike said yeah.

Brad Dilger said that makes sense. I can check with our civil department and see if that was just an omission.

Mike said you know where I'm at, Jay?

Jay said yeah.

Mike said okay. Is that why you're here?

Jay said yeah.

Mike said well come on up. That was your concern?

Brad Dilger said and then here. I think you guys have these already?

Jay said yes, I have one of those.

Mike said and you're pretty sure about these no improvement areas? Brad.

Brad Dilger said yes sir.

Mike said you're pretty sure about these no improvement areas?

Brad Dilger said yeah, just based on, yeah, the road condition report that was done, yep. And if we need to revisit this again, I mean, just based on our conversations, we definitely can.

Mike said okay. Good information to have.

Brad Dilger said but, I'll check on that one section between 900 and 1000.

Jay said yeah, because that's pavement now, correct?

Mike said their map says it's pavement. I assume this is your map.

Jay said I think it was done by the previous, wasn't it, or no?

Brad Dilger said I believe that was part of Headwaters.

Jay said yeah.

Brad Dilger said so, I'll check. It could have been just a simple omission on that, but I'll verify.

Mike said the only thing that would concern me, Brad, is the only pavement you're doing. It will be the only pavement you are doing on the repairs.

Brad Dilger said right.

Mike said so that may have just lumped a double chip and seal in with everything else. We need the pavement.

Brad Dilger said yeah, that's definitely not our intent to take it, to downgrade the road.

Mike said I don't think so.

Brad Dilger said pavement to chip and seal.

Mike said okay.

Brad Dilger said so, I'll check on that. And then, just general notes, you know, we've worked on the substation switch yard that is definitely ramping up now that we're toward the end of spring. AEP is working diligently, and I think they're putting up fencing this week around their facility. And then our contractor is going to be doing similar. They're both out driving piles for their foundations in control buildings. So, definitely more work happening out there around, off of 300.

Gary Friend said how's the sheep going?

Brad Dilger said say again?

Gary Friend said how are the sheep going?

Brad Dilger said oh, n Riverstart I?

Gary Friend said yeah.

Brad Dilger said yeah, there aren't any, or won't be any sheep, or there aren't any planned, plans for sheep on Riverstart III or IV. To my knowledge, the sheep on Riverstart I are doing fine. I mean, we've got the contract with the local shepherd to make sure that the sheep are being taken care of.

Gary Friend said I mean is this something that's going to be tried and advance on into the other projects?

Brad Dilger said this is our pilot program on Riverstart I. But again, because we haven't added in the accommodations for livestock on Riverstart III or IV, that is not the plan.

Gary Friend said like ever?

Brad Dilger said right, unless things change, we change out fences and add in you know, additional infrastructure, but, it seems like the sheep are happy out there. They're definitely eating the grass and leaving the remnants. Sheep are really interested. Goats, yes. Sheep are pretty docile.

Mike said anything else?

Brad Dilger said no, just those general things and then, you know, I'm sticking around for the drainage board.

Mike said any questions of Brad?

Gary Friend said no.

Mike said okay. Thank you.

Jay said any questions for us?

Mike said I don't have any.

Gary Friend said just make sure you keep the weeds sprayed.

Mayor Bob McCoy update

Mike said Mayor Bob McCoy, you have anything for us this morning?

Bob McCoy said not a whole lot. Lot's of frustration trying to get through the phone calls and the people asking questions about what's going on as far as tornadoes and roofing and

rebuilding, and when are we going to get help, so, lots of communication problems. So, I'm hoping to slowly get something resolved.

Gary Friend said do we not qualify for FEMA, not enough damage?

Bob McCoy said no.

Gary Friend said do you know what they value the damage in Randolph County at?

Bob McCoy said I really have no idea. But the crazy thing about it is, talking to George, I think, looking at his numbers, weren't we like \$20,000,000.00 loss maybe?

Meeks said 15.

Bob McCoy said yeah. So, and he said that's going to be revised because insurance companies later on said that house has got to go. Yeah, I don't get that.

Gary Friend said I thought they joined the Selma damage into that.

Bob McCoy said and the state is working with Kerri.

Mike said I guess they did. They joined all three together.

Bob McCoy said yeah, the whole event is my understanding. I don't get it. But, I've still got people that, I think have got probably insurance money that aren't cleaning up, so, and then we're dealing with that end of it, and people, neighbors complain, when's that going to get cleaned up. Well, I mean, we've exhausted our budget. I don't know where we go from here as far as figuring that part of it out.

Mike said any questions of Bob? Thanks Bob.

Other Business:

Art Moystner, Randolph County Sheriff

Mike said brings us to other business. Sheriff Art Moystner.

Art Moystner said just a quick update on a couple things. I think the only thing I have on your agenda is some additional appropriation. We have been hit kind of hard with the fire inspector this year, state fire marshal's office. So, we've done a couple things. So, you're probably going to get another additional because we've already starting eating into this one. I have received a quote from one company for the sidewalk issue that we have. I'm waiting on the second company to come in. Also, wanted to ask you gentlemen about the possibility of removing the trees around the jail. The, when they did the walk through for the building, I believe it's ARGO, made a comment about especially the ones on the east side, the root systems are starting to push up against that retention wall for the basement ramp. They said it would probably be a good idea to get those out of there so we don't have that root problem. If we're going to do that, I don't see why we wouldn't do it all the way around the building.

Meeks said get rid of all the trees?

Art Moystner said yes.

Gary Friend said I hate to do that.

Art Moystner said oh, I do too. But that's part of the reason we had the sidewalk issue that we have. I think the trees on the east side are pushing into that retention wall, and I think it's going to cause us future problems with that building. I don't know what the solution is. I don't know whether we would want to bring Wasson's in to talk about a possible landscaping for something that would do less damage.

Gary Friend said I'd like to at least hear from like, somebody in the arbor world about how you don't just wipe the trees out because you've got a root problem. They've only been there what, 30 years?

Art Moystner said I don't know when those trees were put in.

Gary Friend said that's my thought. Wish we could take them up and take them to my house. I'd take them.

Art Moystner said but I guess that's why I wanted to talk to you guys is I think there's a future problem there. And if we want to leave it, we can leave it, but I believe my due diligence is to inform you what they've told me.

Mike said do you want to talk to somebody?

Gary Friend said yeah, I'd like someone, I don't know, I mean, yeah, I don't want to cut all those trees out, not unless it's just, you're going to lose a you know, 30 million-dollar jail, okay, the trees lose.

Mike said a 30 thousand-dollar retaining wall.

Gary Friend said yeah.

Mike said what we going to lose?

Gary Friend said well maybe, them can go, but all the way around, leave the same.

Gary Girton said I'm not sure that's going to happen, but I think we do need an arborist to come and see it. We could get that guy out of Muncie that we've had before. I forget his name.

Mike said I don't remember his name either.

Gary Girton said we had him for the courthouse and so on.

Art Moystner said if somebody wants to provide me his name, I'd be happy to contact him and have him come over and look at the stuff over there.

Gary Friend said he might be able to dig it up.

Mike said Jake did have a comment on your sidewalk. While the mayor is here, Jake said that our insurance adjustor discovered that the city owned those sidewalks. If anybody tripped on them, the city would be liable for them.

Bob McCoy said not that I'm aware of.

Meeks said that's not accurate.

Mike said well you're telling me that.

Bob McCoy said if you're looking at it, I think you could probably take the one tree out and get the sidewalk to probably lay flat in that one section. But I mean, we'll work it out. I mean, if that's the case, we'll figure it out.

Mike said we own the bridges and sidewalks around our property.

Meeks said around your property you do. Everybody owns the sidewalks in front of your house. It's your obligation.

Mike said I'm not sure where Jake's at. We need to find an arborist. Do you want to contact the arborist?

Gary Friend said I'll get with Jake.

Meeks said just that one tree. I've walked by it. I walk by it all the time. Wouldn't you say that Bob? It's just that one tree on the sidewalk.

Bob McCoy said just looking at it, that's what I saw, but I mean, Art's got a very valid point. I mean, we've got them all over town. They grow into the sidewalks and they, it's too bad that they're at the end of their life when it comes to actually having a walkable city, or walkable, without a problem. Go back to shrubs I guess.

Mike said so we'll table the sidewalk matter until we resolve the tree issue.

Art Moystner said well and I'll bring the, as soon as I get the other quote, I'd like to give you guys too, when I get the quotes on the sidewalk. So, I have one, when I get the second one, I'll provide it to you and then whenever you guys want to move forward, you just let me know.

Mike said okay.

Art Moystner said but beyond that, everything is going pretty well with ARGO. I know they came and spent a full day with us and it was a full day going through things. So, I think that's moving along. And the time line on that, they were talking about getting something back to you guys and possibly even putting that out to bid as early as this fall.

Mike said okay. That's good.

Art Moystner said things are going well.

Mike said okay.

Gary Friend said I'll get with Jake and see about and arborist to look at it and see what our best plan of action is. Other than tearing down a nuisance tree.

Art Moystner said just a side note, I did find a, I'd explained to you guys that we had 3 new vehicles coming. We had one damaged from the tornado. I hadn't been able to find a replacement. I did find a replacement, so, I'll talk to the council tomorrow. We do have a bit of a shortfall between the insurance check and what the new one is going to cost. But, I'll cover that with council. But I just want you guys to know.

Gary Friend said you made that aware last month or so, didn't you?

Art Moystner said that we were short and not being able to find one, but I've recently found a car.

Mike said now you know you're short?

Art Moystner said yes.

Mike said any questions of Art?

Gary Girton said no.

Mike said thanks Art.

Art Moystner said thank you.

Minutes of April 15, 2024

Mike said next item is our minutes of our April 15th.

Gary Friend made motion to accept. Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Payroll Claims \$273,389.23

Mike said next item is our payroll claims which are at our place in the amount of \$273,389.23.

Gary Girton made motion to approve. Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Regular Claims \$820,168.13

Mike said next item is the regular claims which we received a copy of \$820,168.13. I'd entertain a motion to approve the regular claims.

Gary Girton made motion to approve. Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

EDIT Plan amendment and set EDIT meeting

Mike said next item is the EDIT Plan amendment and set EDIT meeting. Well, we amended it again today.

Meeks said so, probably set it for after the 17th, at your next meeting. So, can we modify this plan without it being in writing or do we need to go ahead?

Meeks said we'll have, at the 17th, I think at the 17th.

Mike said we'll do it then, so, table that until the 17th to add the new EDIT paragraph and then we'll go ahead, want to go ahead and set an EDIT meeting this morning?

Meeks said it's up to you guys.

Gary Friend said I'm good on the 19th. Have the salary meeting then after that, which is Juneteenth.

Mike said does 19th work for you?

Gary Girton said yes.

Mike said so we'll set EDIT meeting for the 19th of June at 6:00 p.m. in this room.

Notice of public hearing (needs signed)

Mike said last item on this part of the agenda is the notice of the public hearing. Evidently, that's somebody that's petitioning for an alley vacation.

Gary Friend said yeah, Harrisville.

Mike said in the town of Harrisville. And we need to set a hearing date, how far in advance?

Meeks said it has to be 10 days prior to the hearing. That needs to be in the newspapers 10 days prior. There is no way we can get that thing in the paper and everything by Friday, right?

Mike said Thursday. So, that would be next Tuesday would be the earliest we could meet.

Meeks said so you'd be July 1st?

Mike said the next one is an EDIT appropriation for RC Randolph County Promise in the amount of \$15,000.00. Next one is Cum Cap for building maintenance in the amount of \$20,000.00. Next one is auditor's plat book for book binding in the amount of 10,335. Next one is Next Level Trail Vision Trail, phase 1 for the amount of \$909,700.00. And the last one is for ARPA, equipment for the jail, \$39,054.63. I'd entertain a motion to approve all of the above-mentioned additional appropriations.

Gary Girton made motion to approve. Gary Friend seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

<u>Transfer</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
\$909,700.00	Headwater's II	NLT Vision Trail Phase I

Mike said final matter on the agenda is a transfer from Headwater's II, renewable energy funds to the Next Level Trail Vision Trail Phase 1. It's a transfer. So, we started receiving grant funds. I've been advised that when we start receiving grant funds then we'll start paying out claims, obviously, and our share, we'll have to pay 20% of those claims. That's why this is put into the grant fund in the county. I'd entertain a motion to approve this transfer.

Gary Friend made motion to approve. Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said Sherrie, do you have anything for us?

Sherrie Timmons said no.

Mike said Meeks, do you have anything for us?

Meeks said there're two loan agreements for Ardagh and the other one is the Tarter.

Mike said Tarter, yep, Tarter and the, Union City.

Meeks said right, which would have been both taken care of, I don't know, a year or two ago?
Mike said correct.

Meeks said So, I'd need approval for Mike to sign those. I'll notarize it.

Mike said it's satisfaction of loan, of the Ardagh loan that was made on the 1st day of July, 2015. And when I say loan, it's a forgivable loan. And the Tarter d/b/a Applegate Livestock Equipment that was made on the 21st day of February, 2017, that would be to sign off and release. I'd entertain a motion to approve both of these satisfaction

Gary Friend made motion to approve. Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Meeks said I'll notarize those and forward them on to Laura. I don't have contact information on those. If she doesn't, I'll ask her to ask you guys.

Mike said Randolph United would have that.

Meeks said well, I'll it to Randolph United.

Mike said okay. Anything else for us this morning?

Meeks said yes. I think the Jefferson Health Plan looks okay. I'm going to trust Chris on this, I was looking at how you get voluntary versus involuntary withdrawal. It's just that they want a lot of notice if we're going to not renew or withdraw. And how these health things always kind of transpire, seems like everything is at the last second. And so, I'm going to trust Chris on that part. So, it looks like we become a member, like we're like now, a member of this.

Mike said that's what this is.

Meeks said yeah.

Mike said so, you're.

Meeks said I think it's okay to sign.

Mike said okay.

Meeks said I'm just trusting Chris to get us out of it.

Gary Friend said if we need to get out, right.

Meeks said well, if you don't give them a notice, then it's an involuntary withdraw, then you have to make sure your balance is paid up, which doesn't seem too outrageous to me.

Gary Friend said well we got out of Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Meeks said right.

Gary Friend said

Meeks said yeah, we just have to catch our balance up. And it doesn't have the Iranian thing in there that says they are dealing with Iranians and then they don't have to be verified. So, I'm not sure how valid that contract is if you have to have a you don't deal with Iranians. Or that they, a non-collusion. It's a membership. It's like you're a joining member.

Mike said well I'm just wondering if that's why they need to have that in there. If it's a voluntary association.

Meeks said I think you still have to have the E-Verify and the non-collusion clauses. But it's fine. That's for them. That's not necessarily for us.

Mike said okay. So, I'm going to take a look at it and I'll sign it.

Meeks said my other thing is I will not be here at the next meeting. I'll look at those proposals and send out what my thoughts are on them before I leave. I'm planning on sending Tom up for the next meeting. I'm not sure if he's going to be here or not. But, if he can't, I was going to ask Ryan Prinkey to be up here at a plan commission meeting on the Tuesday.

Gary Friend said on he 19th, you mean, for the public hearing?

Mike said 18th.

Meeks said yeah. If that's okay with you guys. I can ask somebody else if Ryan doesn't work for you guys, if my father can't go.

Mike said well let us know if your father can't.

Meeks said I will email. If there's somebody else, I just want to get whoever.

Mike said well Ryan is okay with me.

Gary Friend said me too.

Meeks said I just want to get whoever is up to speed. If you guys want, usually, we would ask Ryan or Jason, and Jason is going to be there. So, okay. Well, I will talk to him if Tom can't go.

Mike said and that is the 18th?

Gary Friend said the BZA.

Meeks said that is on, you have, the meeting is the 18th for the meeting.

Mike said well we go to BZA. BZA is on Monday isn't it?

Gary Friend said Tuesday. BZA is on Tuesday. APC is on Wednesday.

Mike said oh, okay.

Meeks said so, somebody will want to attend that meeting.

Gary Friend said I will.

Meeks said or all three.

Gary Friend said yeah, that's what Mike had mentioned last

Mike said okay. Anything else?

Meeks said I do not.

Mike said Gary Friend.

Gary Friend said yeah, Chad Roots reached out to me, like to be on our agenda next time for any discussion on 800.

Mike said oh, okay.

Sherrie Timmons said what was his last name?

Gary Friend said Chad Roots, US Aggregates. I sent both Gary, you and Mike, the APC proposal for a salvage yard.

Mike said right, in Losantville.

Gary Friend said yeah. And we have delayed it one month. He had no plan of action at all. Job postings was asked, are our department heads, Sherrie, bringing job postings up to be put on the Randolph County website?

Sherrie Timmons said not that I know of. They can put it on themselves.

Gary Friend said they should be able to do it themselves? They don't do it through the personnel department? In my opinion, I think it would be wise for everybody who has got open positions to go through our personnel department.

Mike said so that the personnel office knows.

Gary Friend said they know it and they're on there.

Gary Girton said so that's not a policy?

Gary Friend said no.

Gary Girton said really?

Gary Friend said not that I know of. And two meetings ago, during a council meeting, the RCU said they'd be more than glad to put it in, also. I think we have to do what we can to get these jobs open for our own public.

Mike said right.

Gary Friend said maybe we discuss that at the next meeting about making a policy to, at least use our personnel department to take it from there.

Mike said well what do you want to end today, do you want to issue a memorandum to that affect to all department heads?

Meeks said you probably want to talk to Laura.

Gary Friend said yeah, I'd like to prepare to do such thing in our next meeting.

Mike said okay. We'll talk about that at our next meeting then.

Gary Friend said we're not going anywhere without a memorandum saying you guys will do it. Mike said okay.

Gary Friend said I think that's all. Everything else has been covered.

Mike said Gary Girton?

Gary Girton said not today.

Mike said I don't have anything else today.

Citizen Comments (3 minutes)

Mike said any citizens that are here that. Yes, Jim Nunez.

Jim Nunez said the committee of the 2024 Wicks car show would like to thank Commissioners for having us. The car show was very successful and like to thank the Commissioners for everything that they let us have, the yards, the grounds and everything. We, a lot of people that came didn't know a lot of stuff that Winchester provided downtown. But, we had a lot of fun. The weather was so-so because it looked like rain, and a lot of other cars, lot of car owners called me that they weren't going to come this year because it looked like rain all day long. But it still was good. We had a lot of fun, a lot of downtown merchants had clients. We combined it with farmers' market and this year, the farmers' market increased their showing this year because they seen what happened last year. So, we did really good. All of us did really good. So, we just, as a committee, wanted to thank you guys for everything. And that's all I have.

Mike said thank you for the work you do Jim.

Gary Friend said yeah, a lot of it.

Jim Nunez said I just do what I can. See you at 1:00.

Mike said any questions of Jim?

Gary Friend said no.

Gary Girton said no.

Mike said okay. Anyone else have any comments to make?

Adjournment

Mike said hearing none, I'd entertain a motion to adjourn.

Gary Friend made motion to adjourn. Gary Girton seconded the motion. All aye votes. Meeting adjourned.

Reviewed and signed this 5 day of August, 2024.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS







ATTEST:



Laura J Martin, Auditor of Randolph County

