

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 8th, 2015

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8th, 2015, having adjourned from a special meeting on Thursday, August 20th, 2015.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioners Jim Meece, President; Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Pam Adams, Auditor; Janie Hardman, 1st Deputy Auditor and County Attorney John Asbury. Commissioner Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President was absent. Also present were Pam Sanders, Mike Strack, Mary Alice Gregg, Justin Cole, Amy Hensley and Terry Hensley.
- III. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on Monday, August 17th, 2015 were approved on a motion made by Dan Collom and seconded by Jim Meece. The motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$150,647.58 was approved for release on Friday, September 4th, 2015 on a motion made by Dan Collom. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Dan Collom made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$174,818.66. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **CLAIMS:** After reviewing the Claims Docket, claims in the amount of \$525,375.54 were approved for release on Tuesday, September 8th, 2015 on a motion made by Dan Collom and seconded by Jim Meece. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - The Board reviewed invoices for professional services in the amount of \$8,175.00 and payable to ARSEE Engineers, Inc. and contractor payment #3 in the amount of \$192,536.60 payable to Bulley & Andrews Masonry Restoration, LLC.
 - The Board reviewed Progress Report #005 & #006, Field Report #010, a louver estimate and a change order from ARSEE Engineers, Inc. regarding the progression of work on the Courthouse clock tower.
 - Dan Collom made a motion to replace all louvers as planned. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - Dan Collom made a motion to approve Change Order Request #3 in the amount of \$2,537.11 to install wire mesh to prevent birds from nesting in the cupola dome. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - Dan Collom made a motion to agree to the contract and allow Auditor Pam Adams permission to set up a fund for donations collected to fund the Courthouse mural project. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The cost of the murals will be no more than \$5,000.00 each. Painter Bill Wolfe will be paid \$5,000.00 by December 1st, 2015 and the remaining balance when the murals are complete. One mural will be Uncle Joe Cannon and family and the subjects for the montage mural will be provided to Wolfe on or before the initial payment.
 - Dan Collom made a motion to accept the grant offer from the Parke County Community Foundation for \$3,500.00 to purchase a zero-turn lawn mower and \$1,000.00 for seed and fertilizer to improve the appearance of the Courthouse lawn for the 2016 Indiana Bicentennial. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - The Wabash River Heritage Corridor Commission meeting agenda and minutes were reviewed by the Board.
 - The Board reviewed the letter from the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute regarding the approval of the Parke County LCC grant recommendations.
 - A Notice of Public Comment from IDEM was reviewed regarding the Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company Montezuma compressor station.
 - The Board reviewed a letter from Family & Social Services Administration regarding expenditures on medical care for inmates.
 - Adams informed the Board forty (40) properties sold in the 2015 Parke County Tax Sale and TML receipts are down compared to 2014 as of August 31st, 2015.
 - The Planning Commission and Clerk's monthly reports were presented for review.
 - Jim Meece made a motion to encourage departments who need extra help to participate in the Community Work Experience Program (CWEP) which provides opportunities to Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) participants who have limited or no work experience exposure to the world of work. The Indiana Manpower Placement and Comprehensive Training Program operates the CWEP to help those on public assistance move toward financial independence. The County would gain the services of the participant at no cost.

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- Jim Meece made a motion to approve the contract with Big “E” Lawn Service to provide lawn mowing at the County’s covered bridges in the amount of \$3,750.00 to be paid by the Convention and Visitor’s Commission. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Jim Meece has confirmed Joink will provide password protected internet service to the 2015 Covered Bridge Festival vendors.
- The Board discussed the color of the Christmas lights on the Courthouse. It was determined the Town of Rockville had purchased the white lights.
- The topic of allowing Parke County residents who have kennel licenses permission to sell dogs during the Covered Bridge Festival was discussed.
- Dan Collom made a motion to allow the Parke County Fair Board to close 4-H Road as needed during the fair. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Adams reminded the Board the next meeting will be at 9:00 a.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

- Jim Meece made a motion to approve Change Order Request #2 to paint the clock faces at a cost of \$24,127.00. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole:

- The Jail count for today was forty-four. Thirty-seven County; one DOC and six out of county inmates.
- Presented the DOC, UCR and Report of Collections for August 2015.
- Jim Meece made a motion to allow the Sheriff’s Department operate in a manner as specified in IC 33-37-3-1 which has increased the fee collected from a defendant served a tax warrant from \$13.00 to \$25.00. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- Cole has approached the Council about needing \$15,000.00 to replace the water softener at the jail and \$25,000.00 to cover medical expenses for inmates.

PERSONS REQUESTING TIME ON THE AGENDA: None

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Gibson Teldata representatives Brent Holl and John Minnich appeared before the Board to present information regarding a new phone system for the County. Bloomingdale Home Telephone Company will be the provider. The proposal includes a sixty (60) month lease with an estimated monthly cost of \$2,681.41 which is lower than the current provider. The monthly lease amount does not include the fiber cost or the annual software support fee. Dan Collom made a motion to go with Gibson Teldata for the new phone system for the County. Jim Meece seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Emergency Services Director Terry Hensley informed the Board one of the air conditioning units at the Ambulance Building needs replaced. Hensley believes funds are available in his budget to cover the costs. Jim Meece suggested Hensley contact Clint Kremer at AC Electric.

Emergency Management Director Amy Hensley informed the Board of a LEPC exercise at 9:30 a.m. on September 9th, 2015. Hensley also discussed the CWEP.

- X. ADJOURNMENT:** Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Collom and seconded by Jim Meece. The meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Jim Meece, President

Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President

Bruce A. Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:

Pam Adams, Auditor

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