

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 15, 2020

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15th, 2020, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, June 1st, 2020.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioners Jim Meece, President; Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Laura Fischer, Auditor; Tammy Thomas, 1st Deputy Auditor; and County Attorney Nick Sauter. Also present were Pam Sanders, Kathy Collom, Donnie Cottrell, Tim Waterman, Dave Schwegman, John Martin, Rick Anderson, Jason Games, Larry Bemis, and Randy Norman.
- III. **MINUTES:** Minutes from the previous meeting on June 1st were tabled.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** The County regular payroll in the amount of \$175,768.57 was approved for release on Monday, June 15th, 2020 on a motion made by Dan Collom. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Dan Collom made a motion acknowledging receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$100,944.15. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - Hand typed checks to Crossroads Court Reporting for \$325.60 (two depositions for court reporting); Wabash Valley Asphalt for \$662,846.64; and Amazon Capital Services for \$99.95. Dan Collom made the motion to approve the hand typed checks. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - Rick Anderson from JMS (Johnson Melloh Solutions) in Indianapolis presented an Energy Conservation Program using solar energy. The board approved for Rick Anderson to go ahead with his analysis. There will be no charge to the county for the analysis.
 - The attorneys Wilkinson, Goeller, Modesitt, Wilkinson & Drummy, LLP sent a letter requesting a representative of the Board of Commissioners to attend the trial of Elizabeth Blackburn-Shorter vs. Timothy Baggerly. This case is schedule for April of 2021 regarding an accident with a road grader.
 - The board reviewed and signed the state required form for 2020 Covered Bridge Certification for Parke County as 28 bridges. Dan Collom made the motion to accept the certification as written and Bruce Hartman seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
 - The SRI yearly contract was presented to the board. Tax sale is September 28, 2020. Dan Collom made the motion to accept the contract with SRI for another year. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - The board received a letter from INDOT notifying them that SR 59 would be closed for about 60 days for the constructing a culvert. Bellmore Fire Department has met with two property owners on either side of this closure and an agreement was reached to construct a run around to limit the amount of time needed for emergency runs. Jim Meece made the motion to construct this run around for emergency vehicles at a cost of \$3,000 to be completed by Wagner Excavating. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- The board reviewed a letter from Marathon Pipeline requesting a survey be filled out.
- The commissioners reviewed the salary request budget forms 144 before being submitted to the Council. Bruce Hartman made the motion to accept the form 144's as presented by the department heads for the 2021 budget. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- The board reviewed March and April Treasurer Reports.
- The board reviewed the May report of the Planning Commission.
- Laura informed the board that the settlement is pre-approved. Should have approval by end of the week and distributions will be made.
- Jim Meece introduced Resolution 2020-10 Public Health Emergency Declaration, stating an emergency for the county. Jim Meece made the motion that the resolution be adopted. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- The board has received calls from a few television channels regarding the Covered Bridge Festival. Jim's view is that if the restrictions are lifted by the CDC and the Governor, then it will still be held. Jim made the motion that the board make a definite decision at the August 3rd meeting. Dan Collom seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Nick Sauter mentioned the privacy situation at the jail. During the COVID situation legal counsel and clients are not able to speak on a phone line that is not recorded. The board gave Nick approval to check into this situation. The cost could possibly be covered by the grant money from the CARES Act.

VI. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole: absent

Parke County Ambulance, Julie Lanzone: absent

Parke County Highway, Randy Norman:

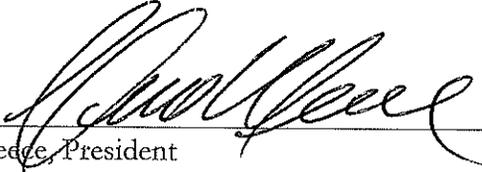
- Dan had comment on Jackson bridge sign "no jumping from bridge". Make sign visible on north and south side.
- Jim brought up Parke Co Golf Course sign missing. He would like for Randy to check into getting another one.
- Dan brought up box trailer fire on 300. The trash left from the hauling away of the trailer is left. Dan requests Randy to call whoever would be responsible for removing the debris.
- The council contacted Jim Meece regarding grants through the highway department. The council would like Partnership Parke County to take over the grant process. Cyndi Todd agreed to take them over.
- Randy opened the bids for the new Dump Truck. One from Rush Truck Center in Indianapolis, one from Terre Haute Truck Center and one from Vomac in Terre Haute. Volvo, Kenworth and International. He will take them back to his office to review and make a final decision.
- Randy presented invoices for the repair of Jackson Bridge. The board decided to meet with Randy and Nick on June 22nd at 9 am in the EOC building to discuss signage and options for Jackson bridge to reduce the damage that keeps occurring.

- John Deere wheeled excavator will arrive next week. Dan Collom made a motion for Jim to sign the paperwork on the excavator and Bruce Hartman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. PERSONS REQUESTING TIME ON THE AGENDA: None.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

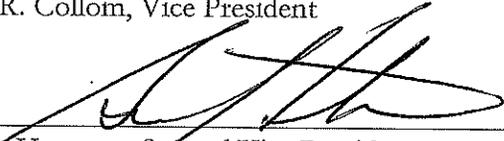
IX. ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.



Jim Meede, President

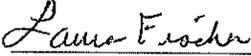
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Dan R. Collom, Vice President



Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President

ATTEST:



Laura Fischer, Auditor