

POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2020.

The Board of Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting at the Hovey House, 330 Walnut Street, in Mt. Vernon on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Commissioners Carl Schmitz, Randy Thornburg, and Jay Price; Auditor Maegen Greenwell, and County Attorney Joe Harrison were in attendance.

C. Schmitz opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. Pastor Rick Sellers lead the Commissioners in prayer.

A moment of silence was observed for former Posey County Clerk, Donna Butler.

MINUTES

J. Price made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 1, 2020, regular meeting; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CLAIMS

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the claims as presented; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

TREASURERS REPORT

J. Price made a motion to approve the August Treasurer's report; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

LOCHMUELLER RAMP UPDATE

Posey County Resident, Judy Heberer, addressed the Commissioners regarding the proposed ramp for the Coliseum. Mrs. Heberer stated she is concerned about how the ramp will look with the historic building. Mrs. Heberer stated she would like to see the ramp look more like the current ramp at the Courthouse.

C. Schmitz stated he has checked with the architect who informed him that to make the proposed ramp look similar to the current ramp at the Courthouse; they would have to remove all the steps from the front of the Coliseum. Mr. Schmitz stated they want to leave a portion of the steps.

C. Schmitz stated in regards to the updates proposed for heating the concrete; the Commissioners will have to install five new transforms at the cost of \$95,000.00. Mr. Schmitz stated this would allow the ramp to be heated for winter months.

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the current Lochmueller proposal and adding the needed electric upgrades to achieve a heated ramp; J. Price seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTION ORDINANCE 2ND READING

Justin Rutledge, Posey County Community Correction Director, addressed the Commissioners regarding the second reading of the Community Correction Fee Ordinance. C. Schmitz stated this will be ordinance 2020-09-01-01 and will allow Community Correction to collect an \$8.00 per day fee for any clients placed in Posey County Jail. Mr. Rutledge stated that would then be paid to the Jail.

J. Price made a motion to approve this ordinance; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES

Posey County Highway Superintendent, Steve Schenk, informed the Commissioners that the Community Crossing paving project is complete. Mr. Schenk stated they would begin the process for next year soon. Mr. Schenk state other paving projects are continuing.

Posey County Treasurer, Vicki Peerman, stated the 2020 tax sale would be held this coming Thursday at 10:00 am.

R. Thornburg gave the following Workforce Development update:

Unemployment Rates;

US: 10.2%
Indiana: 7.8%
Vanderburgh County: 8%
Pike County: 7%
Perry County: 6.7%
Knox County: 6.3%
Dubois and Gibson County: 6%
Spencer and Warrick County: 5.7%
Posey County: 5%

Distribution:

Manufacturing: 19.9%
Food Service: 15.4%
Retail: 10%
Administration: 8.9%
Waste: 8.9%

Frequently Listed Jobs:

1. Farm and Labor Workers
2. Production Workers
3. R.N
4. Post-Secondary Teachers
5. Dispatchers
6. Taxi Drivers

Posey County Auditor, Maegen Greenwell, updated the Commissioners on the Highway Overtime and the Handbook. Mrs. Greenwell stated that the handbook had been updated, and the two sections regarding the highway over time have been brought together. Mrs. Greenwell stated Mr. Schenk has looked at the new updates and approves.

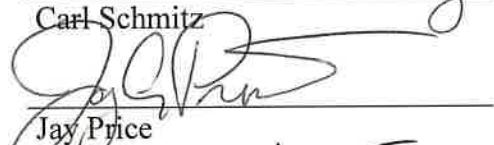
Mrs. Greenwell stated a new copy of the updated handbook would be sent to all employees. C. Schmitz stated he would like to commend all of the County law enforcement, firefighters, EMS, dispatch, and all first responders. Mr. Schmitz stated they are all doing a great job for the County. J. Price made a motion to fully support these County departments; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

Posey County Councilmen, Aaron Wilson, stated the Wadesville and Blairsville sewer project is still ongoing.

No other business was discussed and the meeting was adjourned.



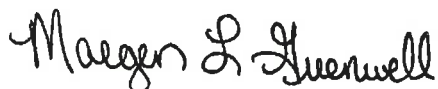
Carl Schmitz



Jay Price



Randy Thornburg



Attest: Maegen L. Greenwell