POSEY COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

The Posey County Council met in a special session at the Hovey House on Tuesday, September 15th, 2020 at 9:30 am. The following members were present at the said meeting: Heather Allyn, Tom Schneider, Aaron Wilson, and Dave Pearce. Councilmember Stefani Miller was present via teleconference, County Attorney Joe Harrison, and Auditor Maegen Greenwell. Councilmember Robert Gentil and Marilyn Brenton were absent.

H. Allyn called the Posey County Council meeting to order at 9:35 am with the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

H. Allyn stated the Council has gathered today to consider an interlocal agreement with the City of Mt. Vernon regarding the proposed Tile Factory Widening project with the State of Indiana.

Mt. Vernon Mayor, Bill Curtis, addressed the Council regarding this project. Mayor Curtis stated this project is with INDOT to widen Tile Factory Road and will cost approximately \$6,558,000.00. Mr. Curtis stated a Federal Grant was awarded for 3,711,000.00, and the County will pay a 20% match with the State picking up the remaining.

Mayor Curtis stated the County has control over the bridges, and the City cannot approve a project with work being done on a bridge. Mayor Curtis stated the estimated cost to repair the bridge is \$320,000.00, with the County paying 20% of that cost.

H. Allyn asked if this is the bridge on the Northside of the railroad tracks. Mayor Curtis stated yes. H. Allyn stated the County will only be paying 20% of the \$320,000.00 for an estimate of \$64,000.00. H. Allyn asked what the timeline is. Mayor Curtis stated this is a 2025-2026 project.

Steve Schenk, Posey County Highway Department Supervisor, stated if the projected cost is \$65,000.00 to \$70,000.00, he would not foresee this being an issue. Mr. Schenk stated that the amount could be funded from the Cumulative Bridge Fund.

Joe Harrison, Posey County Council Attorney, stated the Commissioners have already agreed to their portion of the interlocal agreement.

T. Schneider made a motion to approve the consent to fund the match for this project and agree to the interlocal agreement; D. Pearce seconded. A. Wilson asked what funds are in the Cumulative Bridge Fund currently. Mr. Schenk stated roughly \$700,000.00. J. Harrison stated the County will not be billed until the contracts are awarded. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

LIBRARY FISCAL BODY

Posey County Auditor, Maegen Greenwell, stated due to new IC Codes, the County must declare itself the Fiscal Body for the Alexandrian Public Library and the Poseyville Carnegie Library. Mrs. Allyn stated the documentation states that each library is currently a non-binding unit but should that change, and they would become a binding unit that the County Council would be the body that would review the budgets.

A. Wilson made a motion to approve this declaration; D. Pearce seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

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