

POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022

The Board of Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting at the Hovey House, 330 Walnut Street, in Mt. Vernon on Wednesday, May 4, 2022. Commissioners Bill Collins, Randy Thornburg, and Bryan Schorr were in attendance. Auditor Maegen Greenwell and County Attorney Joe Harrison were also in attendance.

Pastor Rick Sellers lead the Commissioners in prayer.

MINUTES

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the minutes from April 19th, 2022; B. Schorr seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CLAIMS

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

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT

Posey County Community Corrections Director, Justin Rutledge, presented the 2023 grant proposal for approval. Mr. Rutledge is proposing a grant for home detention and electronic monitoring in the amount of \$353,721.00, along with a request for the work release program, in the amount of \$102,424.

MORLEY BROADBAND UPDATE

Jeremy Elrod, with Morley, presented an update on the progress with Mainstream Media. Mr. Elrod stated Mainstream submitted two of ten segments to Morley and the County for review a month ago but have not received the final response. Mr. Elrod stated five of ten segments are waiting on Centerpoint approval. Mr. Elrod stated the earliest start for construction would be late May, but it is possible they wouldn't begin until all ten segments are complete.

Mr. Elrod stated that Mainstream is aware that the County will not be making the third payment due to them until the project is 2/3 complete. B. Schorr made a motion to support this; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

DEPARTEMENT UPDATES

Chief Deputy Auditor Shelley Hargrove provided the Commissioners with an update on the proposed contract with Southwestern Behavioral Center. Mrs. Hargrove stated the requested changes had been sent back to Southwestern Behavioral Center and Mrs. Hargrove expects to present the updated contract at the next Commissioner meeting with an updated start date of June 1, 2022.

Posey County Highway Superintendent, Steve Schenk, presented the Posey County Annual Operation Report. R. Thornburg made a motion to accept the report; B. Schorr seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0. Mr. Schenk informed the Commissioners that the bridge on Broadway Avenue had been completed with ongoing paving. Mr. Schenk stated that the County's Community Crossings grant was approved for one million dollars, and he has started the process for paving bids.

Commissioner Attorney, Joe Harrison, presented an update on the ongoing situation with German Township Water. Mr. Harrison stated that German Township Water has acquired some property and plans to move the waterline causing issues.

Posey County Chief Deputy Sheriff, Jeremy Fortune, gave the following inmate housing report:
36 Vanderburg County Inmates
16 DOC
82 Posey County
134 total

Donnie Martin, with the Posey County Health Department, stated COVID numbers are still down in Posey County but are on the rise in the rest of the Country. Mr. Martin stated that if any offices are in need of PPE, they can reach out to the Health Department for assistance. Mr. Martin

requested the Health Department parking lot be paved at the same time as the Courthouse parking lot this summer.

Posey County Clerk, Kay Kilgore, informed the Commissioners that Election day went smoothly. Mrs. Kilgore stated the poll workers and the general public were happy with the new machines, and they were done counting by 7:30 pm.

Posey County Treasurer, Vicki Peerman, reminded Commissioners that property taxes are due Tuesday, May 10th, 2022.

Earl Schroeder, Posey County Resident, informed the Commissioners about his recent experience at his home with fiber installation.

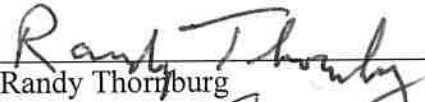
B. Collins gave the following Animal Control report for March 2022:

24 Complaints
6 Animal Picked Up
0 Euthanized
2 Bite Reports
0 Rabies Test
\$20 collection

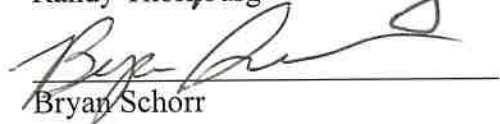
B. Schorr made a motion to adjourn the meeting; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.



Bill Collins



Randy Thornburg



Bryan Schorr



Attest: Maegen L. Greenwell