

POSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2022

The Board of Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled meeting at the Hovey House, 330 Walnut Street, in Mt. Vernon on Tuesday, May 17, 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 Wayne Nall lead the Commissioners in prayer.

MINUTES

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the minutes from May 4th, 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.

TREASURER'S REPORT

R. Thornburg made a motion to approve the April Treasurer's report as presented; B. Schorr seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

CLERK'S REPORT

B. Schorr made a motion to approve the April Clerk's report as presented; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

COMMUNITY CROSSING GRANT BIDS

B. Collins stated the Commissioners received three Community Crossing Grant bids and read as follows:

1. E&B Paving: \$2,072,936.20
2. David Enterprise: \$1,649,449.50
3. JH Rudolph: \$1,953,321.50

Posey County Highway Superintendent, Steve Schenk, stated the low bid of David Enterprise is not the low bid because it is not a firm bid. Mr. Schenk is recommending the Commissioners accept J. H Rudolph as the lowest firm bid.

R. Thornburg made a motion to accept the bid from J. H Rudolph as the lowest firm bid; B. Schorr seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

SOUTHWESTERN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EAP CONTRACT

B. Collins stated the Commissioners have been considering entering into a contract with Southwestern Behavioral Health Services to provide employee assistance programs to County employees. Mr. Collins stated the Commissioners have reviewed the contract and asked for changes to be made, and those changes were made. Joe Harrison, County Attorney, stated the requested changes were made. B. Schorr made a motion to approve the contract as presented; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTION BOARD APPOINTMENT

Posey County Community Correction Director, Justin Rutledge, is requesting the Commissioners to appoint Thea Luigs to the Posey County Community Correction Board. R. Thornburg made a motion to appoint Thea Luigs; B. Schorr seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

COMMON SCHOOL FUND REPORT

Posey County Auditor, Maegen Greenwell, presented the annual Common School Fund report to the Commissioners for approval. B. Schorr made a motion to approve the report; R. Thornburg seconded. The motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

R. Thornburg stated the Regional Sewer District was approached by investors to see/develop land for housing on the property they own off Indian Mounds Road, east of the sewage plant. Mr. Thornburg stated the investors are asking for help from the County if this project were to move forward. Mr. Thornburgh stated he and Steve Schenk, Highway Superintendent, looked at the

site and determined the existing road would have to be upgraded at the cost of roughly \$50,000.00. Mr. Thornburg supplied the other Commissioners with a proposal and stated the IFA owns land in this area and is willing to help with this project. Mr. Thornburg stated this would start with 40 apartment units and move toward a goal of 120 units.

B. Collins stated he would think the County would be interested in learning more about this project.

B. Schorr asked Mr. Harrison if this was part of the residential TIF area? Mr. Harrison stated this would be part of the existing TIF area.

Mr. Thornburg stated the Regional Sewer District Board currently employs one person to oversee the plant, but they are not considered a County employee. Mr. Thornburg stated the board is requesting to allow the employee to be placed on County insurance and benefits. Mrs. Greenwell stated the County has looked into this before, and it is not something that the County is allowed to do. B. Schorr stated the County would have to create a position. Mrs. Greenwell stated the Sewer District is not a County entity.

DEPARTEMENT UPDATES

B. Schorr introduced Paul Micheletti as the new EMS Director of Posey County. Mr. Micheletti gave a brief overview of staffing issues and what he would like to do to recruit paramedics. Mr. Micheletti stated he is looking at options to provide paramedic school options to employees. B. Collins stated he would like to recognize David Pearce, Randy Thornburg, and Bryan Schorr for donating to provide lunch for EMS employees for EMS Week.

Posey County Sheriff, Tom Latham, gave the following inmate housing report:

42 + 10 Vanderburg County Inmates
18 DOC
86 Posey County
146 total

Sheriff Latham stated they have started and completed the first financial program with several current inmates, and the class was a success.

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

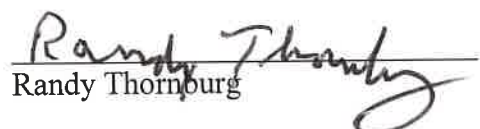
36 Complaints
12 Animal Picked Up
1 Euthanized
4 Bite Reports
0 Rabies Test

Jeremy Elrod, with Morely, gave an update on the ongoing broadband project with Mainstream. Mr. Elrod stated the Commissioners, Morley, and Mainstream representatives recently met with Centerpoint to discuss the agreements. Mr. Elrod stated half of the pole agreements had been submitted and approved, and two are under review with Morley/Mainstream. It was asked if Mainstream would meet the deadline set by the State. Mr. Schorr stated no, but they are prepared to ask the State for an extension. Mr. Elrod stated Morley has also addressed the safety concerns that have arisen with the appropriate entities.

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