

**PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**JANUARY 16, 2018**

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00am Eastern Time on January 16, 2018 in the Commissioners' Hearing room, at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Mike McClure, Auditor Laura Wheeler, and Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also, present, were Nathan Origer, Jeff Johnston, Terry Ruff, Brad Bonnell, Doug Hoover, Kyle McTeigue, Jeff Richwine, Michael Gallenberger of WKVI, Gene Timm, Sheri Gaillard, Brian Gaillard, Miley Fort, Bryan Corn, Rob Galbraith, Cameron Chambers, Michele Dzielinski, Phil Bowers, Juli Hodowanie, Jessica Campbell, Tyler Campbell, and Crystal Kocher.

Commissioner Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN RE: MAINTENANCE**

Sealed elevator bids opened and summarized below as the first order of business:

TL KINCAID CONTRACTING	489,000.00
Gibson Lewis LLC Mishawaka	524,900.00
Larson Danielson Company	594,424.00

Keystone Architects will review the bids and make a recommendation at the next commissioners' meeting.

**IN RE: COUNTY HIGHWAY**

Bids for truck, lift bed, and asphalt/paving opened at the last commissioners' meeting discussed.

Terry Ruff, Garage superintendent recommended purchase of the 2019 Mack from Pozzo for \$124,362.00.

Terry Truck Equipment was the only bid received for a lift bed at 62,350.00 with a one-way plough.

Although E & B Paving had the least expensive bid, they were also lowest in tonnage; therefore, Town & Country Construction of DeMotte for \$968,130.00 was the recommended choice. Mike McClure motioned to approve the recommendations of Town & Country Construction, Terry Truck Equipment, and the 2019 Mack from Pozzo. Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: INSURANCE**

Gene Timm announced training opportunities available through our general liability carrier, Bliss McKnight. Gene will visit with other departments on Thursday, January 18 to discuss training availability.

**IN RE: CDC**

The Planning Commission and Boarding Zone of Appeals has a 4-year term vacancy. There are two interested parties...Terry Young and Abbey Shidler-Dickey. Mike McClure motioned to appoint Abbey Shidler-Dickey to both boards and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. The 2 - 0 vote carried the motion. Jerry Locke abstained from the vote.

The CDC has a Commissioner appointed vacancy for a 1-year term. Kenny Becker motioned to appoint Mike McClure to the CDC board and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Nathan Origer summarized the CDC budget and future projects. He also questioned the hiring of Umbaugh Consultants on the future of Pulaski County. Kenny Becker motioned to have Umbaugh make a cost proposal and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Tourism trends in Pulaski County discussed briefly and the Commissioners or anyone else for that matter is invited and encouraged to discuss tourism and Industrial Park, one on one, with Nathan.

**IN RE: SUPERIOR COURT**

Judge Kocher explained the cost and need for certified interpreters. In order to reduce the cost to the County, she has applied for and been awarded a \$4,200.00 grant through the Indiana Supreme Court, Office of Judicial Administration. Judge Kocher is seeking permission to apply for a Specialized Probation Officers Grant through the Department of Corrections. Jerry Locke motioned to approve the Grant application and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: TRANSFER/RECYCLING**

Brad Bonnell reported on Recycle/Transfer Station activities for year 2017.

**IN RE: EMS**

Kyle McTeigue reported on EMS activity for December 2017 and explained staffing constriction throughout 2017. The first billing report since contracting with Ambulance Billing Services covering October 28 – December 7, 2017 period shows \$106,000.00 billed. The money has not yet been received.

Adjuster's estimates on Ambulance repair discussed briefly.

Mike McClure motioned to appoint Bryan Corn as the new EMS director and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. The vote was 2 to 1 in favor. Jerry Locke opposed. After some discussion on shift captains, Jerry Locke motioned that an assistant will not be appointed and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: FINANCE BOARD**

Kenny Becker motioned to open the Finance Board meeting and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Locke nominated Kenny Becker as the Finance Board president and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Jerry Locke nominated Mike McClure as the Finance Board secretary and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Treasurer, Teresa Bryant presented the interest on investment report. Some discussion pursued on investing and Kevin Tankersley was asked to research what type of investing is allowed for Counties.

As there was nothing further to discuss, Jerry Locke motioned to adjourn The Finance Board meeting and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: JUSTICE CENTER**

Jeff Richwine discussed ILEA training available through general liability insurance carrier, Bliss McKnight.

**IN RE: OTHER/OLD BUSINESS**

Snow removal/Lawn Care is tabled for the next meeting.

**IN RE: CONFERENCE REQUEST**

- Holly VanDerAA - Continuing education Level III certification by DLGF - online course
- Holly VanDerAA - 2 attendees to Legislative Conference, Indy 01/30-31/2018
- Laura Wheeler - Legislative Conference, Indy 01/30-31/2018
- Teresa Bryant - 2 attendees to Treasurer's District Meeting Carmel, IN 03/07/2018
- Sheri Gaillard - Pipeline Training Swan Lake Plymouth, IN 01/17/2018
- County garage – 6 to attend Pipeline Training Swan Lake Plymouth, IN 01/17/2018
- Fred Rogers/Jason Woodruff - IDEA Indianapolis, IN 02/21 -02/23/2018
- J Woodruff - Strangulation Training Ivy Tech Logansport, IN 01/19/2018
- J Woodruff - Criminal Interviewing and Interrogation Lawrence, IN 03/20- 03/23/2018
- Cody Foust - National Interdiction Training Denver, CO 04/29 -05/04/2018

For out of state conferences, the commissary pays for everything except the class.

Jerry Locke motioned to approve the conference request as presented and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kenny Becker opened the meeting for public comment.

**IN RE: MINUTES**

Mike McClure motioned to accept the January 2, 2018 minutes as presented and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: CLAIMS & PAYROLL**

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve all claims and payroll as presented and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike McClure made a motion to appoint both Kenny Becker and Jerry Locke to serve on the Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission (KIRPC) and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

An Executive session set for January 29, 2018 at 4:00pm to discuss pending litigation.  
A Policy Handbook Committee meeting set for January 29, 2018 at 5:30pm.

As there was nothing further to discuss, Mike McClure motioned to adjourn at 9:26am and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Signed and dated this 5th day of February, 2018  
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Kenny Becker, President

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Jerry Locke, Vice President

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Mike McClure

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor