

AUGUST 5, 2019

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session on August 5, 2019 at 6:00 pm EDST at the Pulaski County Highway Department Training Room. Those present were Commissioners Kenny Becker, Mike McClure and Jerry Locke, County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Delores Girton, Darlene Crites, Elizabeth Wallace, Christine Von Tobel, Mike Caudill, Jackie Frain, Gene Timm, Lynn Johns, Kent Kroft, Judge Mary Welker, Cheryl DeGroot, RB Walters, Brian Young, Courtney Poor, Kathi Thompson, Michael Gallenberger, Brad Bonnell, Mia Salyers, Jeff Richwine, Lynn Johns

Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: TRANSFER/RECYCLING

Delores Girton and Betty Wallace appeared representing the Ladies of Charity on behalf of the Good Samaritan Store and requested a discount on the trash that they take to the transfer station. A lot of junk is dumped on them, especially weekends. A 6' fence with barbed wire and three gates and security cameras discussed.

Brad Bonnell commented that this is tax payer money and discounts are not offered to anyone else.

IN RE: COUNTY HIGHWAY

Terry Ruff sent a request for the following transfer to pay for the fuel tax refund service:

From:	1176-22101-531 Salt	\$2,000.00
To:	1176-531-36300 Service & Maintenance	\$2,000.00

The expected fuel tax refund is approximately \$10,328.98. Mike McClure motioned to approve the transfer as requested and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Becker read the resignation letter from Terry Ruff as Pulaski County Highway Superintendent effective September 1, 2019. He asked to be considered for the laborer's position that is currently open at the Highway Department.

Kenny Becker motioned to accept Ruff's resignation and Mike McClure seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike McClure motioned to hire Ruff as a laborer and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike McClure motioned to make Gary Kruger acting superintendent until a permanent superintendent is hired. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: MAINTENANCE

Mia Salyers reported that the Justice Center fire panel installation is finished. Some change orders had to be approved and signed in order to finish but she is not sure who should sign the order as it was started under the prior Maintenance Director. Kenny Becker motioned to authorize Salyers to sign the change orders and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Three change orders presented. Sheriff Richwine agreed to pay two of them which totaled approximately \$6,700.00 Salyers requested to appear before Council for a transfer to cover the third change order which is \$3,487.00.

Commissioners said to pay the third change order out of maintenance budget and delay asking for a transfer until later.

The Coroner's shower as required by OSHA for a decontamination station discussed. The issue tabled for further investigation.

Hot water repairs discussed briefly.

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IN RE: SHERIFF

Jeff Richwine explained CAD System licenses and is expecting Medaryville and Winamac to reimburse them for their licenses.

Richwine has maintenance issues with the Justice Center and wants to discuss them outside of a public meeting. The sheriff also commented on a contractor's work and that too much was charged for the job.

IN RE: TOWN OF FRANCESVILLE

Lynn Johns appears as President of the Francesville Town Council request appointees for the town planning commission. An April 2018 ordinance established the Planning Commission which calls for the Pulaski County Commissioners to appoint two people to serve on the Commission. Johns will make some recommendations at a later date.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent Kroft, Tippecanoe Information Technology (IT) director, spoke about the many variables of Information Technology. Tippecanoe County has an advisory board which consists of 1 Commissioner, 3-4 Department Heads and a couple outside individuals and he thinks Pulaski County would benefit from a like kind group. Kroft volunteers to help if needed.

Tippecanoe County IT budget discussed briefly. Kroft has had problems with department heads spending too much.

Kathi Thompson asked about Internet Security Insurance and whether there has been a quote. Gene Timm has not officially been requested to get a quote and stated that there are some different options and rates are based on exposure--population.

IN RE: CONFERENCE REQUEST

The following conference request submitted for approval:

**JoLynn Behny, Northern District Clerks Conference, 9/4-5/2019, Noblesville, IN
Deb DeSchepper – Assessor classes, Course 300, 10/21-25, 2019, Columbus, IN
Deb DeSchepper – Assessor classes, Course 400, 12/2-9, Indianapolis, IN**

Mike McClure made a motion to approve the conference request as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve and sign the July 1 and July 15 Regular Session minutes and the June 13 and July 17 Executive Session minutes as presented, Kenny Becker seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign claims and payroll as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: FULTON COUNTY/PULASKI COUNTY DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENT

A Fulton County and Pulaski County Data Exchange Agreement with WTH presented for approval. Kenny Becker motioned to approve the agreement as presented and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)

Cheryl DeGroot presented an IT work proposal from DeGroot Technology. Discounted prices and waived charges explained as well. They have two technicians available allowing for a quick response time. R B Walters, also present to answer any technical questions.

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DeGroot Technology will set aside two days per week up to 16 hours to supply IT service. The County will only be billed for what work done and is not limited to the 16 hours. Mike McClure motioned to table so they can read through the proposal and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

RB commented that there was a 3:00 phone conference on Wednesday August 7, 2019 with Van Ausdale regarding the new network.

Mike McClure made a motion to adjourn at 7:06pm, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and Signed August 19, 2019

PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth Becker, President

Jerome Locke, Vice-President

J Michael McClure

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor