

AUGUST 19, 2019

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session on August 19, 2019 at 8:30am EDT 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 Michael Gallenberger, Mia Salyers, Kathi Thompson, Gene Timm, Jack Cooper, Diane Cooper, Kyle Conrad, Joe Moyer, Teresa Bryant, Tom White, Brent Frain.

Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: SPEED LIMITS

Jack Cooper appeared requesting speed limit, deaf person, horse crossing and children playing signs on CR 400 N between 421 and CR 1400W, north of Medaryville. Mr. Cooper presented a petition signed by the neighbors requesting a 35-mile per hour speed limit. A second complaint was made about the two-way stop sign at 400N and 1400E running north and south. Can this be made into a 4-way stop?

After more discussion which included the use of golf carts on county roads, Kenny Becker motioned to set the limit at 35 miles per hour from 1400 W to US 421 on 400 N subject to Council's approval. Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: TREASURER

Teresa Bryant requested permission to enter into a one-year contract with GovTech Services, Inc. (GTS). There are overpayment, underpayment, and refund issues with large out-of-state mortgage companies that this company will help to eliminate. There is no cost to the County as all charges are made to the mortgage companies. The contract was reviewed by County Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Mike McClure motioned to approve the contract as presented and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: MAINTENANCE

Maintenance Director Mia Salyers reported on issues with the Justice Center electronics room. A federal inspection determined that the temporary cooling units must be at least 35 inches from the electronic panel. The 6' x 8' electronics room needs to be kept at 70 degrees, but the amount of computer equipment causes the room to overheat. Further discussion revealed that two estimates were acquired: mini splits in each room for \$9,489.00 or a larger unit on the roof for \$25,000.00. The higher costing unit is more functional. Salyers directed to get more quotes and the issue tabled for further investigation.

A shower for the Coroner' office discussed next. Jerry Locke motioned to approve the shower installation and Kenny Becker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The Courthouse sewer discussed at length. The pipes are needing to be jetted more and more often. The last time, chunks of cement were found in the pipes and it was also determined that there is a problem with the drain connection as the Courthouse drain is 6" lower than the Town's. The options are to raise the drains or install a pump station. Maintenance was told to ask the Town to run a camera through to see where the concrete is coming from.

The 2004 maintenance truck brake lines, gas line, and calipers all need replaced. One estimate for everything is \$2,702.00. The truck has approximately 60,000 miles on it. Mia was requested to get another estimate and Kenny recommended Alan Fritz, who makes their own brake lines. Maintenance has only \$1000.00 in vehicle repair. Mike McClure motioned to get a second opinion, repair the brake lines at the cheapest place, and to pay for it out of the maintenance budget. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: VETERANS' OFFICE

Brent Frain the newly appointed Veterans' Officer introduced himself and gave an update on his certification.

IN RE: LIABILITY INSURANCE

Gene Timm presented quotes from \$500,000.00 to \$1,000,000.00 of Data Protection and Cyber Security protection coverage. The annual premium will be approximately \$5,500.00. In the event of a breach, the insurance company comes in and takes over.

Mike McClure motioned to approve \$500,000.00 of coverage for the Data Plan and \$1,000,000.00 of coverage for the Cyber Security pending Council's approval and funding and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Gene Timm will check if they can pro-rate until December 31st and then it can be included in 2020 budget.

IN RE: HEALTH INSURANCE

Premium Only Plan (POP) Client Application presented for approval and signatures. The Health insurance form sets parameters such as: an employee must Average 30 hours per week for full-time employment and an employee's health insurance takes affect the 1st day of the month following 60 days of full-time employment. Kenny Becker motioned to approve and sign document as presented and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: HIGHWAY

A Detour Reimbursement Contract between Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) and Pulaski County presented for approval. The contract specifies that the county will restore an Unofficial Detour Route back to its pre-designated condition for no more than \$20,000.00. The detour project, which needed to be completed by July 31, 2019, was discussed briefly. In essence, this contract is filing for an extension for reimbursement. Kenny Becker motioned to approve and sign the Reimbursement Contract as presented and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: SHERIFF

County Cell phones discussed and determined to be under the management of Detective Jason Woodruff until something else is figured out. He will make sure names are correct on billing. Commissioners later spoke with the Sheriff by phone regarding the electronics room.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

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

Kenny Becker made a motion to approve the August 5, 2019 minutes. Jerry Locke seconded Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: CONFERENCE REQUEST

The following conference request submitted for approval:

- Jason Woodruff & Robert Hartley, Harris Customer Training Conference, October 9-11, 2019, Denver, CO
- Seth Barton & Aaron Heims, 2019 K-9 Olympics & Recertification, August 18-23, 2019, Peru, IN
- Jason Woodruff, Annual Law Enforcement Conference, September 4-6, 2019, Indianapolis, IN
- Seth Barton & Robert Hartley, K-9 Decoy Training & Techniques, August 14-16, 2019, Frankfort, IN
- Tammy Bachman, Hoosier Animal Law Officers Annual Conf, September 28-29, 2019, Auburn, IN
- Nathan Origer, Indiana Economic Development Assn Fall Conference, September 12-13, 2019, Fair Oaks, IN

Mike McClure motioned to approve the conference request as presented, Kenny Becker seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pulaski County Information Technology (IT) department discussed. The commissioners agree to try DeGroot Technology for one year and if it doesn't work out, they would then look into other options. DeGroot Technology presented a proposal, not a contract. Mike McClure motioned to approve the proposal as presented and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The commissioners also want each department to have their own IT budget. An IT policy discussed briefly.

Mike McClure made a motion to adjourn at 9:50am, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and Signed September 3, 2019

PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Kenneth Becker, President

Jerome Locke, Vice-President

J Michael McClure

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor