

DECEMBER 9, 2019

JOINT SESSION

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Pulaski County Commissioners and Pulaski County Council met in Joint Session on Monday, December 9, 2019 at 6:00PM in the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke and Mike McClure and Council members present were Jerry Sullivan, Mike Tiede, Kathi Thompson, Brian Young, Ron DeSabatine, Ken Boswell with Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Scott Hinkle was absent.

Also present were Nathan Origer, Janet Onken, John Simmermaker, Jolie Simmermaker, Todd Zeiger, Tom Anspach, John Masterson, Brandon DeLorenzo, Brian Pilarski, Shane Pilarski, Wade Wake, Scott Straw, Dave Olds Chris Schramm, Judge Mary Welker, Judge Crystal Kocher, Amber Tomlinson.

Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: WABASH HEARTLAND INNOVATION NETWORK (WHIN)

Shane Pilarski appeared on behalf of WHIN (Wabash Heartland Innovation Network) which wants to partner with Purdue University to apply for an \$8,000,000.00 grant to make broadband more readily available in rural communities. Pulaski County is one of ten counties in their region. One requirement is a letter of support from the County Commissioners, which is needed by December 9, 2019. Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign the letter as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried.

IN RE: COURTHOUSE

Courthouse renovation options discussed at length. Nathan Origer appointed to do a square footage study on annex buildings and County Highway training room.

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve Option 2A (option 2 as described in the October 14, 2019 Joint Session minutes), which renovates the Court House and moves Circuit Court to the Justice Center. Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Cardinal Technology is coming December 12th to evaluate County copiers at no charge. Information Technology discussed again. The Commissioners met with two potential contractors, Mark Harvey and Roeing Corporation at an executive session earlier today. Both seemed suitable to the job, but the commissioners thought Roeing Corporation would have greater resources. Roeing quoted approximately \$11,000.00 to analyze the current network and development a strategic plan going forward. Mike McClure made a motion to hire Roeing Corp to conduct a study of current services and pay the cost out of the Commissioners' 2019 budget. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: MALINKOWSKI CONSULTING INC.

Contracts with Malinowski Consulting Inc. for the Annual Countywide IV-D Cost Allocation Plans 2019-2021 and Preparation of Medicaid Ambulance Reports 2019-2020-2021 were presented for renewal. Kenny Becker made a motion to approve the contracts, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Mike McClure made a motion for the Commissioners to approve the October 14, 2019 Joint Session meeting minutes, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Brian Young made a motion for the Council to approve the October 14, 2019 Joint Session meeting minutes, Kathi Thompson seconded and motion carried unanimously.

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Kenny Becker made a motion for the Commissioners to approve the 2020 Joint Session meeting schedule, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Kathi Thompson made a motion for the Council to approve the 2020 Joint Session meeting schedule. Ron DeSabatine seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: STOP SIGN ORDINANCE

Mike McClure made a motion for the Commissioners to approve stop signs at 400N and 1400W, Ken Becker seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Kathi Thompson made a motion for the Council to approve stop signs at 400N and 1400W. After more discussion pursued on the issue with concerns over future requests, Brian Young seconded the motion and motion carried with a 4 to 2 vote. Mike Tiede and Ken Boswell dissenting.

Future road sign and speed limit requests were discussed further. It is the intent to have the Highway Department and the Sheriff's Department involved prior to approving speed limit changes or road sign requests.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments about Courthouse storage concerns and Information Technology procedures heard.

As there was no further business to discuss, Jerry Locke made a motion for the Commissioners to adjourn at 7:18pm, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried.

Kathi Thompson made a motion for the Council to adjourn at 7:18pm, Kenneth Boswell seconded and motion carried.

Approved and signed the 10th day of February 2020.

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

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Jerry (Jay) Sullivan

Kenny Becker

Michael T Tiede

Jerry Locke

Scott Hinkle

Mike McClure

Kenneth Boswell

Ronald DeSabatine

Kathleen Thompson

Brian Young

Attest: _____
Laura Wheeler, Auditor, Pulaski County