

**APRIL 6, 2020**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session on April 6, 2020 at 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Mike McClure with Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Nathan Origer, Amber Tomlinson, Michael Gallenberger, Jeff Richwine, and Chris Schramm.

President Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and followed with a prayer.

**IN RE: CDC**

A recommendation by Barnes & Thornburg and Rowlands Design was to hire a Construction Manager as Constructor for the courthouse project. An architect would assist in compiling a list of requirements for a request for proposal (RFP) from bidders for this position. Those interested in the Construction Manager as Constructor position would submit qualifications to be reviewed by a Commissioner appointed committee. It is not likely that a local company would qualify based on the breadth and scope of the responsibilities and experience needed. The Construction Manager is limited to doing 20% of the project themselves leaving 80% to bid out to subcontractors which would include local firms. Mike McClure made a motion to approve hiring a Construction Manager as Constructor, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The County's cash flow issues were discussed. Putting the courthouse project on hold until the pandemic issue is resolved was suggested, but expenses have been incurred and would need to be paid up front if this to happened.

All of the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) borrowers have been given the option to defer payments for several months but only Tippy's and Meadow Spring Manor have taken advantage of this option. Other RLF borrowers were discussed briefly.

A conference call phone was ordered so that people can stay home and call in to the meetings. The number will be provided to the public and the cost will be taken out of the CDC budget.

**IN RE: HIGHWAY**

Pulaski County Highway summer hours were discussed but the commissioner consensus was to stay at five days a week. Mike McClure made a motion to keep the County Highway at eight hours per day, five days per week with a 20 minute paid lunch year round. Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried with a 2-1 vote. Ken Becker dissenting.

**IN RE: BUILDING**

The Pulaski County Advisory Plan Commission (APC) recommends that the Commissioners amend the Unified Development Ordinance of Pulaski County, Ordinance 2019-08, including the Official Zoning map to rezone parcel 66-03-31-100-008.000-012 comprised of 40 acres, owned by Derrick and Abbie Stalbaum, from A-1 (General Agricultural) to A-2 (Intensive Agriculture). The amendment reads as follows:

**ORDINANCE of  
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA  
PULASKI COUNTY ORDINANCE 2020-02  
AMENDMENT TO THE  
OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF PULASKI COUNTY**

Whereas the Pulaski County Advisory Plan Commission (PCAPC) did, on March 30, 2020 hold a regularly scheduled meeting and at said meeting did consider rezoning amendments to the Unified Development Ordinance of Pulaski County (UDO), Ordinance 2019-08 (as amended), and Official Zoning Map of Pulaski County during a legally advertised public hearing and did approve said rezoning at said meeting following said hearing;

Whereas said amendments were initiated by the PCAPC;  
 Whereas the PCAPC did favorably certify said rezoning;  
 Whereas the proposed rezoning are attached hereto; and  
 Whereas all statutory obligations pertaining to this process were met,

SO BE IT ORDAINED THAT:

The Unified Development Ordinance and Official Zoning Map of Pulaski County are hereby amended as favorably recommended by the PCAPC and as attached hereto. As amended hereby, the UDO and Official Zoning Map shall be in full force and effect April 6, 2020.

Attachment

Date: 4/6/2020

To: The Honorable Pulaski County Commissioners

Request: To consider the recommendations made by the Pulaski County Advisory Plan Commission at its public hearing conducted on Monday, March 30, 2020.

APC#: 02252020-01

Certification of Proposed Changes to the Pulaski County Unified Development Ordinance

Upon motions by council-member, Mike Tiede and second by Commissioner-member, Jerry Locke, the Commission voted unanimously 8-0 to recommend that the Pulaski County Commissioners amend the Unified Development Ordinance of Pulaski County, Ordinance 2019-08, including the Official Zoning map of Pulaski County as incorporated by reference to rezone parcel 66-03-31-100-008.000-012; owned by Derrick and Abbie Stalbaum and comprising 40 acres; from A-1, General Agriculture to A-2, Intensive Agriculture.

They currently have A-2 zoning for a hog confinement operation and want to add an adjoining 40 acres. The APC received no negatives from any of the neighbors. Ken Becker made a motion to approve the Ordinance Amendment as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

A Public Health Emergency Declaration for Pulaski County presented and discussed. Seventy-five percent of costs associated with this pandemic will be reimbursable by FEMA. Riverboat money suggested for funding these expenses prior to reimbursement. The resolution reads as follows:

**PULASKI COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2020-03**

**BY**

**THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA**

**PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DECLARATION**

**Whereas**, on 6 March 2020, Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb issued Executive Order 20-02 (EO-02), declaring a public health emergency in response to the coronavirus disease 2019; and

**Whereas** EO-02 requires coordination among federal, state, and local governments; first responders; private organizations; and the entire healthcare structure in Indiana and activates the disaster-response and recovery aspects of the state, local, and inter-jurisdictional emergency plans in Indiana; and

**Whereas** by making this declaration, Pulaski County (hereinafter referred to as the "County") joins the inter-jurisdictional response and, in so doing, may be eligible for federal and/or state financial assistance,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**

1. that the President of the Board of Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") hereby proclaims a state of local disaster emergency be declared in Pulaski County, Indiana, pursuant to the provisions of *Indiana Code (IC)* 10-14-3-29, and the Board of Commissioners have voted to continue the proclamation of local disaster emergency indefinitely;

2. that this Resolution hereby invokes and declares to be in full force and effect in the county, for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for the protection of the lives and property of the people of the County, those portions of the *IC* applicable to the conditions at hand and have caused issuance of this declaration;

3. that all public offices and employees of the County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives, whether state or local;
4. that all residents are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public official and disaster-relief forces in executive emergency-operation plans, and to obey and to comply with the lawful discretion of properly identified officers;
5. that the Board may make, amend, and rescind orders, rules, and regulations necessary for emergency-management purposes and to supplement carrying out those emergency-management laws not inconsistent with orders, rules, and regulations adopted by the governor or a state agency exercising power delegated to it by the governor; the emergency-management program and comprehensive emergency-management plan of the County; and any such orders, rules, and regulations;
6. that any such orders, rules, and regulations, as referred to supra, have the full force and effect of law when filed with the office of the County Clerk;
7. that this declaration shall be in effect as of 7:00 *p.m.* on this date, Monday, April 6, 2020, and shall continue until this Board takes action to end it. This emergency declaration is in response to a global pandemic of the Coronavirus/COVID-19 and it is currently unknown how long the circumstances creating the emergency situation will last and, therefore, it is unknown how long the emergency declaration will be in effect;
8. that a Pulaski County Incident Management Team is hereby authorized to operate, as coordinated by the Pulaski County Emergency Management Agency and Health Department with partner organizations selected thereby, effective at 8:00 *a.m.* on Tuesday, 7 April 2020, and to be in operation until such time as is deemed acceptable for dissolution or hiatus; and
9. that copies of this resolution shall be filed with the office of the County Auditor and distributed electronically to all such media outlets and entities as deemed appropriate for adequate promulgation of this declaration.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana, this sixth day of April 2020.

Ken Becker motioned to approve the Emergency Declaration Resolution #2020-03, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Becker also motioned to allow any of the three Commissioners to sign the claims for FEMA expenses, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

#### **IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS**

Jerry Locke made a motion to approve and sign the March 16, 2020 minutes as presented, Mike McClure 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.

Due to the postponement of the Primary Election from May 5<sup>th</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>, Ken Becker made a motion to amend the Holiday Schedule accordingly. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The workforce reduction policy discussed briefly and President Kenny Becker suggested extending the policy until 11:59pm April 20<sup>th</sup> 2020. Mike McClure made a motion to approve extension of the Workforce Reduction Order and Executive Order to 11:59pm April 20<sup>th</sup> 2020, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

#### **IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Pulaski County Highway working situation questioned on observation of social distancing. Taking trucks home at night, rotating days, and eating separately explained.

FEMA reimbursement and claims also questioned and explained.

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**REGULAR SESSION (continued)**

A complaint was voiced on the Health Department's policy on release of information.

An invoice from Proscapes presented for Spring and Fall lawn applications on County properties with a 5% discount for prepayment. Mike McClure made a motion to approve invoice as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The conduction of the Joint Session discussed because of the Governor's order to limit any congregation to ten. Council President Ken Boswell suggested one Council member, one Commissioner, the Auditor, Attorney, media, and Sheriff representation would be the only ones physically present. Phone number for call-ins will be available. Ken Becker to this arrangement.

With no other business to discuss, Mike McClure made a motion to adjourn at 7:02pm, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and signed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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KENNY BECKER

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JERRY LOCKE

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MIKE MCCLURE

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY