

JULY 20, 2020

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, July 20, 2020, 8:30 AM at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Ken Becker, Jerry Locke and Mike McClure along with Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were John Barber, Gene Timm, Maurice Loehmer, JoLynn Behny, Doug Hoover, Carla Pemberton, Brad Bonnell, Emily Albaugh, Terri Hansen, Nathan Origer, Jeff Richwine.

President Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: BUILDING

Building Inspector Doug Hoover presented the following Ordinance Amending Pulaski County Development Fee Schedule (2020-04) for solar energy.

**ORDINANCE AMENDING
PULASKI COUNTY DEVELOPMENT FEE SCHEDULE
PULASKI COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2020-04**

WHEREAS, the Pulaski County Board of Commissioners (hereinafter referred to as "the County") have the power and authority to amend the development fee schedule pursuant to Ind. Code 36-2-4-8; and

WHEREAS, THE Advisory Plan Commission (hereinafter referred to as "PCAPC") did on June 22, 2020 hold a special meeting to discuss recommending an amendment to the County of the development fee schedule as it pertains to the commercial solar farm development portion of the fee schedule which is currently \$1,250.00 per m W + applicable special exception hearing fees, which was last modified and made effective on January 1, 2020. The relevant fee language is found in the Pulaski County Development Fee Schedule under Section C. Commercial/Industrial at subparagraph 5. Solar Panel. The following amendment to this portion of the fee schedule has been presented to the County for their consideration:

- C. Commercial/Industrial**
- 5. Solar Energy Systems** *\$15,000.00 fixed fee per project plus the cost of hiring any outside consultants to assist the Pulaski County Building Inspector in monitoring and approving development and construction plus a 5% surcharge (payable to the Pulaski County Building Department) on the total cost of all payments made to outside consultants that are hired by the Pulaski County Building Inspector on the project.*

WHEREAS, THE County being duly advised now approves said recommendation by the PCAPC; and

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED THAT:

The Pulaski County Development Fee Schedule is hereby amended to the following language as follows:

- C. Commercial/Industrial**
- 5. Solar Energy Systems** *\$15,000.00 fixed fee per project plus the cost of hiring any outside consultants to assist the Pulaski County Building Inspector in monitoring and approving development and construction plus a 5% surcharge (payable to the Pulaski County Building Department) on the total cost of all payments made to outside consultants that are hired by the Pulaski County Building Inspector on the project.*

Pursuant to Ind. Code 36-2-4-8 (e) this ordinance will be published one time within thirty (30) days from July 20, 2020 in accordance with Ind. Code 5-3-1. Implementation of the fee increase shall begin ninety (90) days after the first publication.

Passed and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana, this 20th day of July, 2020 and effective ninety (90) days after the first publication, but no later than November 18, 2020.

Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign Ordinance 2020-04 as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION

Price increases at the Transfer Station discussed briefly. More than half of the receipts are coming from out-of-County and some concerns were expressed. Ken Becker made a motion to table this until year-end, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried.

A new scale house is request and two estimates presented as follows:

Sunrise Structures	\$7930.00
Yoder's Portable Buildings, LLC	\$9,490.90

After further discussion, Mike McClure made a motion to approve Sunrise Structures estimate, subject to Council funding. Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Two quotes presented for a new roof on the old County Highway Shop as follows:

RAMCO Builder & Supply LLC	\$33,852.00 to \$38,929.80
TM Construction	\$29,996.00

A third estimate from FBI for over \$50,000.00 was not presented. More quotes were suggested and Mike McClure made a motion to approve a new roof on the old County Highway building subject to Council funding, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried.

IN RE: ELECTION BOARD

Clerk JoLynn Behny, representing the Election Board, reported that in March, Senate Bill 179 was passed permitting the use of FireEye, Inc. for election security and federal funding will pay for the first three years. It was established that this security protection is for election only and does not encompass the entire County.

Ken Becker made a motion to sign the Non-Disclosure Agreement and Cybersecurity Services Agreement as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: STATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLACK GRANT (CDBG)

Emily Albaugh of K-IRPC appeared to conduct a public hearing for Pulaski County's application to Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs COVID-19 Long Term Recovery Program for Small Business Grants. The application is for \$250,000.00 of which \$243,750.00 will go to local businesses with a \$10,000.00 maximum. This is not a loan. The remaining \$6,250. will pay for administration costs. The application is due by July 31st 2020. The Selection Committee determines the size of the business but generally 20 or less employees. Nathan Origer said he has received interest from 10-15 business. There will be no County match and any money not used will have to go back to the State.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION #2020-06

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE COVID-19 Phase 2 APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, The County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana recognizes the need to stimulate growth and to maintain a sound economy within its corporate limits; and

- a. *WHEREAS, The Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the housing and community development needs of low-and-moderate-income persons; and*

WHEREAS, THE County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana has conducted or will conduct public hearings prior to the submission of an application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, said public hearings to assess the housing, public facilities and economic needs of its low-and-moderate-income residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RECOLVED by the County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana that:

1. The Commissioner President is authorized to prepare and submit an application for grant funding to assist local small businesses for working capital leading to job retention during recovery from COVID-19 pandemic, and to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contract and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
2. The County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana hereby commits zero local funds towards the project dollars from none.

Adopted by the County Commissioners of Pulaski County, Indiana this 20th day of July, 2020 at 9:00AM local time.

Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign Resolution and submission of application for grant funding as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

There were no comments on the public hearing and said hearing was closed.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

John Barber presented a letter confirming the purchase a Kubota Mower for approval and signature. The letter is required by Kubota in order for the county to receive a government discount on the purchase. Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign the letter as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

The solar panel meeting to be held by the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) on Monday July 27, 2020 discussed briefly. There was concern that the expected number of attendees would surpass the Governor’s limitation.

The MALCON contract for 3rd party services on IV-D Child Support reporting presented for approval and signatures. Mike McClure made a motion to approve and sign the MALCON contracts with the Clerk and Prosecutor as presented, Jerry Locke seconded and motion carried unanimously.

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

Circuit Court roof leak discussed and Jerry Locke motioned to have it repaired per Linback estimate using maintenance budget. Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Jerry Locke made a motion to adjourn at 9:30am, Ken Becker seconded and motion carried with Mike McClure dissenting.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 3RD DAY OF AUGUST 2020.

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Ken Becker

Jerry Locke

Mike McClure

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Auditor, Pulaski County, IN_