

**MAY 17, 2021**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday May 17, 2021 8:30 AM at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer, Mike McClure with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Nathan Origer, Gary Kruger, Jeff Richwine, Megan Galbreath, Chris Schramm, Marie Roth, Cindy Hickle, Holly VanDerAa, and Jeff Richwine.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN RE: CDC**

COVID-19 testing has been relocated at the Winamac Fire Department and will be open Monday and Friday 8-8 and Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday 8-6. Appointments can be scheduled on-line but walk-ins accepted. Pulaski County is again designated yellow.

Pulaski County and Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commissioner (K-IRPC) agreement to administer the \$250,000.00 COVID Emergency Project Phase 3 award from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) presented for approval and signatures. Charles Mellon motioned to approve the agreement as presented and Maurice Loehmer seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: HIGHWAY**

Highway Superintendent Gary Kruger presented the following information on four bridge projects for the current year. These will require closures, but notices will be publicized.

	<u>JCI BRIDGE GROUP</u>	<u>LAPORTE CONSTRUCTION</u>
BRIDGE 207 TOWN	\$36,067.00	\$41,384.00
BRIDGE 158 NICE'S	\$24,620.00	\$18,000.00
BRIDGE 183 PULASKI	\$21,850.00	\$26,938.00
BRIDGE 282 WARREN	\$29,160.00	\$23,772.00
TOTAL COST	\$111,697.00	\$110,094.00

JCI Bridge Group is recommended as they have done other work in the County. Mike McClure made a motion to approve JCI Bridge Group's bid as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

County Highway summer hours discussed. In the past, the County Highway hours changed to Four-10s throughout the summer as it helps with scheduling to get the roadwork done. The pros and cons of this change mentioned. Mike McClure made a motion for the Highway department hours to be 6:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Thursday from Memorial Day to Labor Day and Maurice Loehmer seconded. Motion carried unanimously. A policy handbook amendment for the change to County Highway summer hours was later brought to the meeting for approval. Charles Mellon made a motion to approve and sign the amendment as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: JUSTICE CENTER**

Pulaski County 9-1-1 addressing brought forth for discussion as there is no wording in the 9-1-1 Ordinance that gives the 9-1-1 director authority to amend, correct, or establish addresses. The current Ordinance references administrative officer, which is vague and needs to be more specific. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to designate the 9-1-1 Director as the Administrator of the 9-1-1 Ordinance, Mike McClure seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS**

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign the May 03, 2021 regular session minutes and the May 03 and May 10, 2021 Executive Memorandums as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve claims and payroll as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

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**REGULAR SESSION (continued)**

Discussion pursued on the "Pulaski County Workplace Safety Protocol and Coronavirus-Return to Work Policy", which involves the following:

1. Hand Sanitizer are to be available and use encouraged,
2. Social Distancing, Plexiglas
3. Face covering when entering other offices,
4. Daily temperature log
5. Procedure if test positive

Charles Mellon motioned to rescind #2, 3, and 4 of Section 1 of the Pulaski County Workplace Safety Protocol and Coronavirus-Return to Work Policy, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Coroner hours and pay discussed briefly. Modifying the Employee handbook to permit deputy coroner to call in hours suggested.

Pulaski County's temporary maintenance director, Francis Czech resigned on Friday May 14, 2021 at 4:40PM. Mike McClure made a motion to accept the resignation, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Maurice Loehmer motioned to adjourn at 9:26am, Charles Mellon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2021.**

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CHARLES MELLON

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MAURICE LOEHMER

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MIKE MCCLURE

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