

JUNE 14, 2021

JOINT SESSION

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**

The Pulaski County Commissioners and Pulaski County Council met in joint session Monday June 14, 2021 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon and Maurice Loehmer and Councilmembers present were Ken Boswell, Adam Loehmer, Ron DeSabatine, Kathi Thompson, Brian Young, Tim Overmyer and Mike Tiede, with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Commissioner Mike McClure was absent.

Also present were Teresa Bryant, Nathan Origer, Jolie Simmermaker, John Simmermaker, Becky Dilts, Marsha Good, Melvin Good, Rick Dilts, Holly VanDerAa, Michael Gallenberger, Joe Moyer, Kelly Gaumer, Ken Gudas, and Al Gudas.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: TREASURER

Teresa Bryant, Treasurer, requested renewal of the following four CDs coming due in July, all at First National Bank of Monterey.

07/01/2021	Local Road & Street	0.45%	\$50,000.	1 year
07/01/2021	Cumulative Bridge	0.45%	\$1,000,000.	1 year
07/05/2021	LIT-Economic Development	0.45%	\$580,000.	6 months
07/05/2021	Cumulative Capital Development	0.45%	\$500,000.	6 months

Highway would like to keep their CDS for a year. First National’s interest rate is higher than other local banks and will only charge 1 month’s interest in the event the CDs are cashed in prior to expiration date. They do not see interest rates rising much in the next year. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to renew CDS as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: CDC

Nathan Origer, CDC, reported that 48 bids received and opened by Commissioners June 7, 2021. Assuming allowances for the three no-bid categories, total construction cost based on lowest bids is \$3,664,530.00 or \$4,112,033.00 with inclusion of work-release facility. With bonds, contingency, insurance, permits and fees the cost is \$658,436.00 over the anticipated total construction budget. Because the work-release facility is an alternative, it will be removed. A Guaranteed Maximum Price will be presented to the Commissioners for final approval.

Ordinance 2021-07 presented to Council for its second reading and adoption. This Ordinance repeals and replaces Ordinance 2020-04 and authorizes the County to issue General Obligation Bonds for the Justice Center project, not to exceed \$5,575,000. Tim Overmyer expressed concern for this project moving forward at this time and suggested waiting for a determination on the solar projects. After much discussion, Brian Young made a motion to accept the second reading and adopt Ordinance 2021-07, and Kathleen Thompson seconded. Brian Young, Kathleen Thompson, and Adam Loehmer voted in favor; Ronald DeSabatine, Tim Overmyer, and Michael T. Tiede opposed. President Kenneth Boswell broke the tie by voting in favor. Motion passed 4-3. The full ordinance located online at:

<http://gov.pulaskionline.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2021/04/JUDICIAL-CENTER -BOND-ORDINANCE-PULASKI-COUNTY-2021-2021-07.PDF>

Resolution 2021-05 presented to the Commissioners, which approves the issuance of the bonds and moving forward with justice center project and reads as follows:

PULASKI COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05

BY

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PULASKI COUNTY, INDIANA,
APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE COUNTY**

WHEREAS, on 12 April 2021, the County Council of Pulaski County, Indiana ('County'), adopted Pulaski County Ordinance #2021-04 ('Ordinance'), authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds of the County in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$5,575,000 ('Bonds'), the proceeds of which will be used to finance the costs of all or any portion of the renovation and expansion to the existing Pulaski County Justice Center and the purchase of equipment, including:

(a) the renovations, improvements and upgrades to approximately 1,925 square feet of the existing office space and approximately 5,655 square feet of the existing basement in the Justice Center, including the addition of a work release dormitory, conversion of offices into judge's chambers, offices and related storage areas;

(b) the construction and equipping of a one story addition over a one story area on the north side of the existing Justice Center consisting of approximately 1,200 square feet, which will contain public restrooms, meeting rooms and storage areas;

(c) the construction and equipping of a two story addition consisting of approximately 6,100 square feet on the north end of the existing Justice Center, which will include a covered entry, expansion of existing lobby and vestibule, a security desk and screening area, additional office space, courtroom, conference room, IT server room and related storage areas;

(d) the restoration, replacement or repair of up to 12,000 square feet of the existing roof;

(e) the renovation in other areas of the existing Justice Center including the conversion of offices, open office areas and related storage areas; and

(f) miscellaneous capital improvement, renovation and/or equipping projects at one or more facilities operated or to be operated by the County, furniture and equipment, IT infrastructure costs, professional moving costs, and all projects related to the foregoing and incidental expenses in connection therewith, and the costs of issuing the Bonds, as further described in the Ordinance ('Project'); and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of the County ('Board') desires to approve the issuance of the Bonds and the completion of the Project,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD THAT the issuance of the Bonds and the completion of the Project, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Ordinance, are hereby approved and that each member of the Board is authorized to take such actions as are necessary to issue the Bonds and complete the Project.

Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve Resolution 2021-05 as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Pulaski County has moved back to "yellow" on the State's COVID-19 metrics map. This is due to a slight rise in cases after Memorial Day weekend. CVS is now offering Pfizer's vaccine daily and Health Department offers both Moderna and Pfizer on Thursdays, noon until 6 PM.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Charles Mellon motioned on behalf of the Commissioners to approve and sign the April 12/ 2021 Joint Session minutes as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Brian Young motioned on behalf of Council to approve and sign the April 12/4/2021 Joint session and 5/17/2021 Special Joint Session minutes, Kathi seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Charles made a motion on behalf of the Commissioners to approve and sign the May 7, 2021 Special Joint Session minutes as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IT Committee (Roeing, DeGroot, Cardinal, Kathi, Kevin, Laura and Charles) met February 28, 2021 to gain some organization in IT as far as system security and purchasing. A personnel policy amendment to handbook will be drafted to address these IT issues.

Amendment #7 to the employee policy handbook presented for approval. The amendment adds language to allow Animal Control, Coroner's part-time Deputies, CDC Director and EMA Director to use alternative ways of timekeeping and reads as follows: . Kathleen Thompson made a motion for Council to adopt Amendment #7 as presented, Brian Young seconded and motion carried 4-2. Tim Overmyer, Ronald DeSabatine opposed and Michael Tiede abstained. Maurice Loehmer motioned for Commissioners to adopt Amendment #7 as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Amendment #7 to Pulaski County Personnel Policies Handbook
Dated September 11, 2017

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners and County Council desire to make an amendment to the Pulaski County Personnel Handbook, and:

WHEREAS, under Section 3, Salary Administration, 3.4 Timekeeping, the following language shall be added under 3.4.1 Fingerprint Scanner Use and alternative as follows:

3.4.1 Fingerprint Scanner Use and Alternatives

c.) Animal Control Officer: This is a part-time position that receives calls at-home and is authorized access to the timekeeping program through an on-line login process on their computer or mobile device.

d.) Coroner Part-time Deputies: This is a part-time position that receives calls at-home and is authorized access to the timekeeping program through an on-line login process on their computer or mobile device.

e.) CDC Director and EMA Director: Fingerprint scanners are not available in the facilities in which these departments work. In lieu of the fingerprint scanner these departments will utilize a traditional time clock and retain the punch cards with the time stamps each day. These two departments are authorized to use the Right Stuff Software daily forms process to enter their time that corresponds to their punch clock date.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AMENDED by the Board of Pulaski County Commissioners and the Pulaski County Council that the above language shall be included and made a part of the Pulaski County Personnel Policy Handbook. This amendment shall be posted for at least ninety days throughout the offices of the County.

With no other business discuss, meeting adjourned at 7:06PM.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 9TH DAY OF AUGUST 2021.

PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

KEN BOSWELL

CHARLES MELLON

ADAM LOEHMER

MAURICE LOEHMER

RON DESABATINE

ABSENT
MIKE MCCLURE

MICHAEL TIEDE

KATHI THOMPSON

BRIAN YOUNG

TIM OVERMYER

Attest: _____
MARY MAYS, DEPUTY AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN