

JUNE 21, 2021

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, June 21, 2021 8:30am at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Commissioner Mike McClure was absent.

Also present were Holly VanDerAa, Cindy Hickle, Matt Hubbard, Brian Delich, Ryan Vanwaardenburg, Sam Williams, Barb Whitaker, Ken Boswell, Alex Dickman, Brandon DeLorenzo, Gail Lambert, Jake Boender, Connie Ehrlich, Nathan Origer, and Jeff Richwine.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: ASSESSOR

A "Notice to Bidders" for a Professional Appraiser for cyclical reassessment presented for approval to advertise. Bidding for a Professional Appraiser is done every four years with the award of a four-year contract. The Professional Appraiser will act as technical advisor regarding real property reassessment, appeals, and working with the PTABOA board. Cyclical reassessment requires 25% of all county parcels be inspected on site plus any new improvements/ removals each year. The last four-year contract was just over \$419,000.00. Charles Mellon motioned to approve the Notice to Bidders for advertisement as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: EMS

Brandon DeLorenzo presented a proposed Position Description for EMS driver to address staffing shortages. There is currently three individuals interested in this position. Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve the EMS driver job description as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously. Charles Mellon reported that in conversation with the Hospital, exceptions would be made to the 65-mile transfer limit in the event of trauma.

IN RE: EXTENSION

A change to Purdue University's mileage reimbursement process presented. Instead of Purdue paying the educators and then billing the County, the mileage claims will be submitted directly to the county. Charles Mellon made a motion to approve the policy change, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: CDC

A letter of Support for Panhandle Pathway Expansion presented. The extension will run both northward and southward. Southward expansion goes into Cass County while most of the north expansion is in Pulaski County. Commissioners assented approval and Charles Mellon signed the letter.

Justice Center Project Change Order #0001 presented for approval, which alters the Guaranteed Maximum Price from -0- to \$4,519,439.00. The Justice Center Renovation project costs estimated as follows:

TOTAL PROJECT COST	
Construction Cost	\$4,519,439.00
Design Cost	360,419.00
Soft Costs	5,000.00
Finance Cost	304,700.00
Equipment & Furnishings	165,500.00
Owner Project Contingency	215,000.00
TOTAL PROJECT COSTS	\$5,569,788.00

BID CONSTRUCTION COST SUMMARY

	General Conditions-Site Supervision		\$190,972.00	
BC#1	Building Demolition, Interior/Selective		94,272.00	
BC#2	N/A		-0-	
BC#3	Concrete		183,800.00	
BC#4	Masonry		259,900.00	
BC#5	Steel		408,000.00	
BC#6	Carpentry		580,330.00	
BC#7	Courtroom Furniture (F)		-0-	
BC#8	Courtroom Furniture (I)		21,280.00	
BC#9	Architectural Casework (F)		58,900.00	
BC#10	Architectural Casework (I)		38,839.00	
BC#11	Applied Fire Protection		54,300.00	
BC#12	Roofing/Metal Panels (includes Jail Roof)		448,645.00	Allowance-Rebid
BC#13	Doors (F)		90,800.00	
BC#14	Doors (I)		30,905.00	
BC#15	Glass/Glazing/Entrances		54,100.00	Allowance-Rebid
BC#16	Flooring		148,800.00	
BC#17	N/A		-0-	
BC#18	Painting/ Wall Finishes		54,600.00	
BC#19	Specialties (F)		8,600.00	Allowance-Rebid
BC#20	Specialties (I)		7,639.00	
BC#21	Fire Suppression		59,900.00	
BC#22	Plumbing		98,500.00	
BC#23	HVAC		278,820.00	
BC#24	Electrical		425,000.00	
BC#25	Earthwork/Site Utilities		170,000.00	
BC#26	Asphalt/Site Concrete		68,600.00	
BC#27	Landscaping		20,000.00	Allowance-Rebid
	SUBTOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST:		\$3,855,502.00	
	Bim Coordination Allowance		30,000.00	
	Temporary Electric Allowance		20,000.00	
	Asphalt Patching Allowance		15,000.00	
	General Site Requirements		86,953.00	
	General Conditions-CM Requirements		<u>75,150.00</u>	
	SUBTOTAL:		\$4,082,605.00	
	Contingency	5%	204,130.00	
	Insurance	1%	40,826.00	
	Permits		-0-	Not included
	Performance and Payment Bond	1%	40,826.00	
	Builders Rick Insurance	0%	<u>-0-</u>	By Owner
	SUBTOTAL		4,368,387.00	
	Construction fee	3%	131,052.00	
	CM Preconstruction Fee		<u>20,000.00</u>	
	TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST		\$4,519,439.00	

Total project cost is \$5,212.00 under the Bond Budget Maximum of \$5,575,000.00. Tonn & Blank invited 569 contractors to bid, with 110 prequalifying, and 48 bids received. Four categories had no bids; therefore, will be rebid, including notice in local newspaper and due July 16. Allowances for the four categories were included in the construction cost summary along with contingencies in the project cost that would take care of higher bids than allowed. If contingencies are not spent, they can be applied as payment on bond.

Charles Mellon made a motion to approve and sign Change Order #001 increasing the Guaranteed Maximum Price amount to \$4,519,439.00, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: SHERIFF, ANIMAL CONTROL

Housing animals in quarantine are an issue for the county. Constructing a small building at the County Highway Garage for housing and destruction of vicious animals discussed briefly. There is concern that the Animal Control Officer will exceed 28 hours per week as ruled for part-time status.

The Sheriff’s department reimbursement by FEMA for COVID-related expenses is expected to be around \$13,000.00.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign the June 7, 2021 regular session minutes, and the June 4, 8, 9, 12, 2021 Executive Memorandums as presented. Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and sign claims and payroll as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried.

The following conference request submitted for approval:

Kathleen Thompson - 2021 Indiana County Council State Called Meeting, 6/26/2021, Plainfield, IN

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve Conference Request as presented, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Mike McClure joined the meeting by phone to take part in the discussion on Group Health Insurance. Before the bidding process started, current carrier CIGNA offered renewal at a 19.03% (\$262,247.) increase. County had hired Barb Whitaker as consultant, who worked with the committee consisting of the Commissioners, Councilmembers Kathi Thompson and Ken Boswell and Auditor Laura Wheeler. CIGNA revised their quote to a zero increase over last year during the bid process. Agents representing six different companies interviewed with two selected as best choices: Bennett/Shepherd (CIGNA) and EPIC (Anthem - a fully funded plan). Anthem was \$172,947.00 less than CIGNA. Charles Mellon made a motion to accept Anthem’s quote with EPIC as the agent, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Pulaski County is a part of pending mass litigation against manufacturers and distributors of prescription opioids, through the Ohio federal courts. Indiana legislators proposed a mandatory settlement, which Pulaski County has been advised to opt-out. Charles Mellon made a motion to opt-out as of June 21, 2021, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Maurice Loehmer motioned to adjourn at 9:32am, Charles Mellon seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Signed and approved this 6th day of July 2021.

CHARLES MELLON

MAURICE LOEHMER

MIKE MCCLURE

ATTEST: _____
LAURA WHEELER, AUDTOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN