

**PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday February 7, 2022 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Garage training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer, Mike McClure with first Deputy Auditor Mary Mays and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Kathi Thompson, Ryan Harrison, Jeff Richwine, Nathan Origer, Chris Schramm, and Gail Lambert.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN RE: PULASKI COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

The Historical Society, represented by Ryan Harrison and Kathleen Thompson, requested the use of the large scanner and veterans’ photographs to scan, rehabilitate and store during the courthouse renovation project. The photographs will be scanned and rehabilitated. Mike McClure motioned approval for the Historical Society to use the scanner and secure the photographs as long as the County has access for their own use, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously. Commissioners will let them know when the photographs and scanner can be moved.

**IN RE: EMA**

Changes to the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan presented for review and approval. Most changes were to contacts and phone numbers. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve and adopt the Plan as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: SHERIFF**

Reports for the Sheriff’s Department consisted of the following information:

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| <p><b>2021 DEPUTY ARRESTS &amp; OTHER CALLS</b></p> <p>620 Total Arrests<br/>         120 Warrant Arrests<br/>         68 Heroin and Meth Arrests<br/>         61 OWVI Arrests<br/>         33 Domestic Violence<br/>         24 Invasion of Privacy Arrests<br/>         1393 Traffic Stops<br/>         480 Property Damage Accidents<br/>         66 Personal Injury Accidents<br/>         2 Fatal accidents<br/>         268 Animal Control</p> | <p><b>2021 TOTAL CALLS RECEIVED</b></p> <p>911: 2,998<br/>         Administrative: 29,076<br/>         TOTAL Calls 32,074</p> <p><b>2021 TOTAL CALLS DISPATCHED</b></p> <p>Pulaski County Sheriff 5,911<br/>         Winamac Police Department 2,848<br/>         Francesville Police Department 230<br/>         Medaryville Police Department 419<br/>         Animal Control 269<br/>         EMS 1,521<br/>         Fire 1,094<br/>         Pulaski County Coroner 44<br/>         Pulaski County Prosecutor 4<br/>         Pulaski County EMA 14<br/>         Pulaski County REACT 16<br/>         TOTAL 12,370</p> |
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Jail inmate population rose 10% in 2021 with an average of 91 each month. Bookings increased over 20% with 825 in 2021 while 2020 had 681 booked. COVID-19 brought an increase of mental health treatment, absences, legal proceedings, transports, and employee turnover.

More than 250 inmates transported for court hearings, EDO, medical problems, doctor appointments, out of county warrant pickups and out of state pickups.

**IN RE: CDC**

*JUSTICE CENTER UPDATE*

First floor framing done, second floor framing and HVAC underway. Fire suppression installation near completion. In-wall inspections completed on first floor with drywall installation starting this week. Second floor slab on deck, roof deck, stairwell and courtroom raised platforms poured. Some work paused due to weather.

Change order request expected for floor plan changes on second floor.  
 Construction balance is \$2,929,056.35 and contingency balance is \$133,143.07.

*COURTHOUSE PROJECT*

Steering Committee met today without substantial progress. Entrances, parking, and department storage discussed.

*IMT UPDATES*

Cumulative COVID case count is at 2,983, up 314 since last report 20 days ago. The entire State is red on both maps and Pulaski County has the highest per-capita COVID death rate in Indiana. Pulaski Memorial Hospital and Pulaski County Public Library have partnered to set up one-day vaccine clinics at Monterey, Medaryville, and Francesville.

**IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS**

Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve and sign claims and payroll #2 and #3 as presented, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve and sign January 17, 2022 Commissioners regular session minutes and December 20, 2021 executive memorandum as presented. Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve the appointment of Jennifer Smith to Pulaski Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Disposition of telephones and other equipment tabled for further investigation.

The following bond presented for approval:

Mary Holehan

Soil & Water Coordinator

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

Charles Mellon motioned to set the minimum bid for the upcoming deed sale at \$50.00. Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

With no other business to discuss, Maurice Loehmer motioned to adjourn at 6:45PM, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and signed this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022 by the **Pulaski County Commissioners**.

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CHARLES MELLON

MAURICE LOEHMER

MICHAEL MCCLURE

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
MARY MAYS, FIRST DEPUTY AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN