

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday September 19, 2022 8:30am at the Pulaski County Highway Department training room. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Maurice Loehmer, Mike McClure with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Seth Wilson, Kurt Dickey, John Kegarise, Megan Galbreath, Jeff Richwine, Chris Schramm, Gary Kruger, and Larry Weaver.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: ROCHESTER TELEPHONE COMPANY (RTC) COMMUNICATIONS

RTC Communications has been awarded 390 Pulaski County customers for broadband services. A blanket permit to install underground fiber optics is requested. Multiple counties have already provided this permit. RTC will run fiber optics 36” deep through 52 miles of Pulaski County. Their current grant allows two years to complete. Safety issues such as flagmen and caution lights or other signage discussed. RTC requires strobe lights all day, along with pre-location of utilities, tiles, catch basins, and culverts. A point of contact between subs and County Highway informing them of locations every week discussed. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve the blanket permit for RTC as requested, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: RECYCLING/TRANSFER

Recycling asked permission to trade in a 2015 JD tractor with 2017 Frontier mower for a JD 970 zero turn mower. The difference in price and trade-in allowance is \$1724.69 which can be paid from the Solid Waste fund. The 2015 tractor and mower is not efficient enough for mowing the property. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve the trade, Mike McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously. A letter of intent is needed to qualify for a \$5,000.00 discount.

An \$8,000.00 line of credit through First National Bank of Monterey, which is required for the recycle center by Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) presented for approval. Charles Mellon made a motion to approve and sign the line of credit as presented, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Cardboard collection fees and recycling bins set throughout the county discussed.

IN RE: MAINTENANCE

The maintenance department presented a quote for trade-in and purchase of a new Z970R mower. Maurice Loehmer motioned to approve the purchase as requested, Mike McClure seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve claims and payroll #17 as presented, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve September 06, 2022 regular meeting minutes as presented, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

EMA Director, Sheri Gaillard sent a letter of resignation effective September 26, 2022. Maurice Loehmer motioned to accept this resignation and Mike McClure seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The position will be discussed at the joint session, October 10, 2022.

The IT manager position discussed briefly.

County property of approximately 1.2 acres discussed. Maurice Loehmer motioned to list the property for sale with Remax and Mike McClure seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Consideration given for .49 acres as used by React but they must insure, pay property taxes, and maintain the building.

With no other business to discuss nor any public comment, Maurice Loehmer made a motion to adjourn at 09:21am, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 3rd DAY OF OCTOBER BY THE PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES MELLON

MAURICE LOEHMER

MICHAEL MCCLURE

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