
**REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018**

The Commissioners met with Larry Buzzard, Rob Miller and Tom Wall present.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

08/06/2018 Minutes

Rob Miller made a motion to approve the minutes for 08/06/2018. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS)

08/20/2018 Claims

Rob Miller made a motion to approve the claims for 08/20/2018. Tom Wall seconded and motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL)

08/17/2018 - Payroll

Rob Miller made a motion to approve the payroll docket for 08/17/2018. Tom Wall seconded and motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Septic Smart Week

Environmental Health Specialist Brant Ricker and State Board of Health representative Alice Quinn presented to the Commissioners a Proclamation recognizing September 17 to 21, 2018 as Septic Smart Week. Commissioner Buzzard read the Proclamation.

By consensus, the Commissioners agreed to sign the Proclamation recognizing September 17 to 21, 2018 as Septic Smart Week.

IN THE MATTER OF BID OPENING)

Update on 10209 S. Wayne Road, Warren, Indiana and Demolition Proposals

Land Use and Office Coordinator Marla Stambazze appeared before the Commissioners to update them on the current condition of the unsafe property at 10209 S. Wayne Road, Warren, Indiana. The parties with substantial interest in the real estate failed to appear. The structure on the property is deemed to be unsafe. The real estate is determined to have a negative effect on property values and the quality of life of the surrounding area. The Commissioners opened two proposals from contractors for demolition of the property:

Amor Excavating, Inc. - \$10,855.00

Dirt, Inc. - \$9,340.00

Tom Wall made a motion to proceed with demolition of the property, to accept the bid proposal of Dirt, Inc. for \$9,340.00 to demolish the property, and to remove the property from the 2018 Tax Sale. Rob Miller seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Order Establishing Precincts

Voter Registration and Election Deputy Pam Fowler presented an Order Establishing Precincts. The order establishes revised boundaries for the following precincts: Huntington 6A, Huntington 8, Huntington 11, Huntington 12 and Huntington 12A. The Order will become effective following the approval of said precincts by either the Indiana Election Division, provided no objection is filed by the voter of the county by noon 10 days after the publication of notice of the proposed precinct establishment order, or upon the approval of the Indiana Election Commission after hearing on a timely objection filed by the voter of the county all pursuant to the provisions of IC 3-11-1.5.

Tom Wall made a motion to sign the Order Establishing Precincts. Rob Miller seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

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Financing Options – Huntington County Jail

Darren Bates from Data Pit Stop, along with Tina Stevens from the Auditor's office, appeared before the Commissioners to discuss possible financing options available to Huntington County for the construction of a new jail. Both spoke about various ways to finance the construction. Former County Councilman John Hacker spoke about the need for a new jail and his interest in moving forward with investigating the financing.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

LIT – Economic Development – Project Howl

Huntington County Economic Development Executive Director Mark Wickersham requested that the Commissioners approve a LIT grant request in the sum of \$15,000.00 for Project Howl.

Rob Miller made a motion to approve the LIT grant request in the sum of \$15,000.00 for Project Howl to be paid from LIT Economic Development Funds Project 4. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Huntington County Economic Development – Update

Huntington County Economic Development Executive Director Mark Wickersham appeared before the Commissioners to update them on several items that he is currently working on. Mark indicated that Project Stamper, Project Lab and Project Markle are moving forward as planned.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Huntington County Public Health Nurse – Update

Huntington County Health Department Environmental Foods Specialist Tami Hurlburt appeared before the Commissioners to update them on the current open position at the Health Department for a public health nurse. At this time, Tami does not have any applicants for the full-time position. She informed the Commissioners that she is in the process of hiring a part-time person to fill the vacancy until a full-time nurse could be hired. She felt that the job description and qualifications might need to be reviewed and possibly revised in an effort to get more applicants for the position.

IN THE MATTER OF ORDINANCE)

Ordinance No. 2018-10 - An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of Huntington County, Indiana

Department of Community Development Director Mandy Woods presented an Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of Huntington County, Indiana as to certain real estate from A (Agricultural) to M-1 (Light Manufacturing), specifically on property containing 29.891 acres located within parcel #35-06-35-100-039.900-018 on 50 E, Markle, Indiana.

Tom Wall made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2018-10 – An Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map of Huntington County, Indiana. Rob Miller seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Highway Department – Update

Highway Superintendent Troy Hostetler updated the Commissioners on several items that he is working on for the County.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Closed Huntington County Landfill – Update

Glen Howard from SES Environmental appeared before the Commissioners to update them on the closed Huntington County Landfill site. Glen presented letters from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management, along with presenting a Leachate Perimeter Drain Plan and a Landfill Dewatering Plan, and discussed the details of those plans. Glen also presented information he received from IDEM relating to methane monitoring that occurred on July 17, 2018 and August 6, 2018 and discussed the outcome of those results.

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IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Human Resource – Consulting Agreement

The Commissioners received an agreement from Erika Devine concerning Human Resource consulting during the interim when a new Human Resource Director could be hired. By consensus, the Commissioners agreed to enter into and sign the Human Resource – Consulting Agreement.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Request from Bippus, Indiana Resident

Dan Inderlied from Bippus, Indiana appeared before the Commissioners concerning an issue that he is having with buying two properties that adjoin his current piece of real estate. Dan indicated that he would like to buy both properties and tear down the home on the site but, at this time, there is a telephone pedestal on the property that he would like removed. He has contacted Frontier about removing and/or relocating the pedestal but they indicated to him that it would be his expense to remove the pedestal. Dan inquired about whether or not the Commissioners would be able to help him by waiving the fee. The Commissioners told Dan that they had no authority to waive the fee but that Highway Superintendent Troy Hostetler had a contact person at Frontier that he would call to see if there was any way that they could help Dan with this situation.

IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

County Clerk’s Report

County Clerk Kittie Keiffer submitted the monthly County Clerk’s Report for the month of July, 2018.

IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

County Treasurer’s Report

County Treasurer Paula Farley submitted the monthly County Treasurer’s Report for the month of July, 2018.

IN THE MATTER OF TRANSFER)

Transfers

Rob Miller made a motion to approve the transfer of \$500.00 from 4601-000-30.0003 (Bond Construction Fund - Elevator) to 4601-000-30.0002 (DLZ Consulting Fees). Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Ameresco – Energy Savings Agreement – Warranty/Delivery and Acceptance Certificate

Ameresco Project Manager James Higgins submitted the Ameresco – Energy Savings Agreement – Warranty/Delivery and Acceptance Certificate, Project Completion Log, and Substantial Completion Certificates for Electrical, Mechanical and Lighting.

Rob Miller made a motion to enter into and sign the Ameresco – Energy Savings Agreement – Warranty/Delivery and Acceptance Certificate, Project Completion Log, and Substantial Completion Certificates for Electrical, Mechanical and Lighting. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Duke Energy’s Smart Saver Custom Incentive

Ameresco Project Development Engineer James Horton submitted the Application for Duke Energy’s Smart Saver Custom Incentive for the General – HVAC Courthouse project.

Rob Miller made a motion to enter into and sign the Application for Duke Energy’s Smart Saver Custom Incentive for the General – HVAC Courthouse project. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

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Change Order No. 4 – Huntington County Courthouse Masonry Phase 2, Reroof and Restrooms

DLZ Indiana, LLC presented Change Order No. 4 for the Huntington County Courthouse Masonry Phase 2, Reroof and Restrooms between Huntington County, DLZ Indiana, LLC and Midwest Maintenance, Inc. The change order calls for an increase in the amount of \$2,691.00, and consists of the need to replace nine additional roof drains due to the damage and inability to locate replacement parts.

Tom Wall made a motion to approve Change Order No. 4 for the Huntington County Courthouse Masonry Phase 2, Reroof and Restrooms between Huntington County, DLZ Indiana, LLC and Midwest Maintenance for an increase in the amount of \$2,691.00. Rob Miller seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Courthouse Painting and Repair

Facilities Director Greg Ricker appeared before the Commissioners with a quote from Summit Painting Company, Inc. to prep and paint the Probation department office area walls and door frames for the sum of \$6,715.00. Greg has spoken with Chief Probation Officer Heather Malone and she indicated that she was willing to pay for one-half of the cost of the painting from her department funds.

Rob Miller made a motion to accept the quote from Summit Painting Company, Inc. to prep and paint the Probation department office area walls and door frames for the sum of \$6,715.00 and to pay one-half of the cost out of the Cumulative Courthouse fund. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

Larry Buzzard

Rob Miller

Tom Wall

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ATTEST:

Cindy Yeiter, Auditor