

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, January 11, 2021

Meeting opened at 10:00 a.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Commissioner Lewis, Commissioner Ranstead, Commissioner Metzger, County Attorney Holli Shorter-Pifer and Auditor Christina Sriver.

SHERIFF – Sheriff Sailors requested to rehire an employee who previously worked for the Highway department. Commissioner Metzger motioned to approve the rehire of Justin Melton, Commissioner Ranstead seconded; carries. Sheriff Sailors introduced the maintenance technician for the new jail.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT – The juvenile community corrections grant for fiscal year 21-22 was approved.

AREA PLAN/INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH ROCHESTER CITY FOR ADMINISTRATION OF BUILDING CODE AND SIDEWALK CODE – Commissioner Ranstead motioned for approval, Commissioner Metzger seconded; carries.

TOURISM ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – Commissioner Lewis read the proposed ordinance amendment aloud:

ORDINANCE NO. 1112021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 121916 ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH OF THE CONVENTION VISITOR AND TOURISM INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTY OF FULTON, INDIANA

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners did adopt an ordinance on December 19, 2016 establishing the Fulton County Tourism Commission (the “Commission”); and

WHEREAS, the terms of board members are limited to two (2) two (2)-year terms and may be reappointed after a one (1) year sabbatical; and

WHEREAS, the term limit is causing the Commission hardship in finding replacement board members.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the term limitations of two (2) two (2)-year terms shall hereby be lifted and there shall be no term limit for the members of the board and may be reappointed to unlimited two (2)-year terms.

Commissioner Ranstead motioned to suspend the rules and perform the second reading by title only, Commissioner Metzger seconded; carries. Commissioner Ranstead motioned to waive the rules and perform the third reading, Commissioner Metzger seconded; carries. Commissioner Metzger motioned to approve, Commissioner Ranstead seconded; carries.

TOURISM BOARD APPOINTMENTS - Commissioner Metzger motioned to approve Theresa Ogle, Melinda Clinger, and Stacey Heckathorn each for a two-year term, Commissioner Ranstead seconded; carries.

NYONA SOUTH MUD LAKE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT PETITION TO FILL VACANIES – A petition was proposed to Commissioners to fill vacancies on the Nyona/South Mud Lake Conservancy District. There

are currently three vacancies causing an inability to have a quorum of the directors and conduct an annual meeting. Andy Perkins prepared the petition as attorney of the Conservancy to have the Commissioners appoint the remaining term of each member who has resigned. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

COUNTY-ISSUED PROPERTY FORM – A new form was proposed Commissioner Metzger motioned to approve the form, Commissioner Ranstead seconded; carries.

<div style="border: 1px solid black; text-align: center; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 10px;">County-Issued Property Agreement</div> <p style="text-align: center;">County of Fulton, Indiana <i>an Equal Opportunity Employer</i></p> <p>Name _____ Office/Department _____</p> <p>Job title _____ Date _____</p> <p>The following property has been issued:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Make/Model/VIN/Description:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cellular device _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Key(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ID Badge _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Laptop _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><small>*Attach additional documentation if necessary.</small></p> <p><u>Employee Signature</u></p> <p>I certify that I have read, understand, and intend to comply with the Fulton County Personnel Policy including fees incurred for not returning property:</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p> <p><u>Elected Official/Department Head Signature</u></p> <p>I certify that the employee requires use of the property issued:</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; text-align: center; padding: 2px; margin-bottom: 10px;">Return of County-Issued Property</div> <p style="text-align: center;">County of Fulton, Indiana <i>an Equal Opportunity Employer</i></p> <p>Name _____ Office/Department _____</p> <p>Job title _____ Date _____</p> <p>The following property has been returned:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Make/Model/VIN/Description:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Cellular device _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Key(s) _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> ID Badge _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Laptop _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle _____</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other _____</p> <p><small>*Attach additional documentation if necessary.</small></p> <p><u>Employee Signature</u></p> <p>I certify that I am returning all property issued:</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p> <p><u>Elected Official/Department Head Signature</u></p> <p>I certify that the employee has returned all property issued:</p> <p>Signature _____ Date _____</p>
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COVID-19 RESOLUTION – Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve the proposed resolution, Commissioner Metzger seconded; carries.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING COVID-19 LEAVE BENEFIT

WHEREAS, on June 15th, Fulton County Board of Commissioners issued Resolution 05182020: Personnel Policies Related to Public Health Emergency Declaration for Coronavirus Disease 2019 Outbreak and due to the passage of the federal Families First Corona Response Act (FFCRA) concerning COVID-19 related to sick leave and expanded family and medical leave; and

WHEREAS, FFCRA leave benefits remained in effect through December 31, 2020. Pursuant to federal legislation adopted December 27, 2020, such benefits may be extended at the employer’s election through March 31, 2021; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Fulton County Board of Commissioners hereby elect to extend the leave benefits and will provide paid COVID-19 leave benefits to eligible employees as follows:

1. For leave taken while FFCRA remains in effect (currently through March 31, 2021) COVID-19 leave benefits shall be provided in a manner consistent with the requirements of FFCRA. In particular, eligible employees who did not exhaust such leave benefits prior to December 31,

2020, may use the remainder of said benefits, if any and if otherwise eligible, prior to March 31, 2021.

2. Paid time off for COVID-19 must be accompanied with a doctor's note or letter from Fulton County Department of Health.

RECESS – Rick motioned to recess at 10:21 a.m. Steve seconded; carries.