

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, August 1, 2022

Meeting Called to Order at 9:00 a.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, David Sommers, attorney Holli Shorter-Pifer, and Deputy Auditor Chantal Rensberger. Not present: Auditor Christina Sriver.

PARKING AT BRIDGE 21- Commissioner Lewis presented the third reading of Ordinance No. 07182022 prohibiting parking at Bridge 21.

ORDINACE NO. 07182022
AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING FOR BRIDGE 21

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 36-1-3-2, the policy of the State is to grant units all the powers they need for effective operation of government as to local affairs; and

WHEREAS, Bridge 21, located on County Road 200 West, nine hundred feet north of the Olson Road, has been determined by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners to pose a safety hazard when traffic parks on bridge and adjacent roadway.

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners have determined there shall be no parking beginning fifty (50) feet approaching Bridge 21 from either the north or south direction, and no parking on Bridge 21; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That there shall be no parking beginning fifty (50) feet approaching north or south of Bridge 21, located on County Road 200 West, nine hundred feet north of the Olson Road.
2. That there shall be no parking on Bridge 21, located on County Road 200 West, nine hundred feet north of the Olson Road.
3. That no parking shall include motorized vehicles, golf carts, ATV's, motorcycles, mopeds, bicycles, trailers, campers, buggies, wagons, farm implements and equipment or livestock.
4. That a violation of this ordinance is punishable by fine up to \$2,500.00 and may be enforced through the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Indiana.
5. That this Ordinance shall be in full force upon passage and publication as provided by law.



Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve; Commissioner Sommers seconded. Motion carries 3-0.

HIGHWAY- John Geier presented permit request 22-26 for a driveway permit. Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Ranstead seconded; motion carries 3-0. John gave an update that the highway department has been chip sealing, mowing, and preparing the museum parking lot for paving. John discussed a resolution passed last year to pay for CDL training and it was determined that the resolution would be rewritten to include the amount paid for and how long the employee has to work for the county without paying back the training costs if they quit. John is waiting on an excavator part from Wakarusa Heavy Equipment. Lastly, John explained two additional appropriations coming up. \$100,000 to pay for the museum work and \$300,000 for extra chip seal.

COUNCIL ON AGING- Doug gave an update on Transpo statistics and their quarterly claim information. The claim amount for this quarter is going to be \$85,668. They have 8 full time drivers and 2 part time drivers.

SHERIFF- Travis Heishman updated that there are 111 inmates in the jail this morning, 27 of them are out-of-county inmates. There are two cars going to auction at the end of the month. Two of the deputies who have been on the road all summer will be going back to the schools this week. They did active shooter trainings for Rochester Schools and are trying to get one set up for Caston.

COMMUNICATIONS/EMA- Gail Karas gave an update on new employees. They just hired a new full-time person and have one almost finished with training who will be tested next week. She discussed not having repercussions for not turning in uniforms, IDs, keys, etc. when an employee no longer works for the county and doesn't turn in those items before they leave. Holli will be sending letters to Pyramid, as they are not allowed to be on the property now that they no longer work for the county. Cement needs to be poured, 10 ft away from the generator for a 10 x 22 shelter arriving in about 2-3 weeks. Lastly, Gail gave an update on the language line and texting regarding difficulty with some of the special characters in different languages.

BONUS PAY RESOLUTION- The Commissioners held a public meeting on June 20th 2022 and voted in favor of granting full time employees employed as of January 1, 2022 and still employed June 30th 2022 a one-time bonus of \$2,000 and part time employees employed in that same time frame who have been paid wages for work performed in 2022 a one-time bonus of \$1,000. Commissioner Lewis read resolution 08012022 aloud. Commissioner Ranstead abstained. Commissioner Sommers motioned to approved; Commissioner Lewis seconded. Motion carries 2-0. Phil Olinger pointed out that the bonus pay didn't include elected officials, but the resolution doesn't explicitly state elected officials are excluded. Commissioner Sommers motioned to rescind the earlier approval; Commissioner Lewis seconded. Carries 2-0. Attorney Holli Shorter-Pifer added the exception of elected officials to resolution 08012022 and Commissioner Lewis reread the resolution with the exception aloud:

RESOLUTION: 08012022

ONE-TIME EMPLOYEE BONUS PAY

WHEREAS, on November 15, 2021, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners ("Commissioners") did adopt Ordinance No. 05172021: A Resolution Designating American Rescue Plan Act Funds ("Plan") to specific expenditure categories; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners held a public meeting on June 20, 2022 and voted in favor of granted employees a one-time bonus for employees; which does not include elected officials, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that full-time employees that were employed with Fulton County Government as of January 1, 2022 and continue to be employed on June 30, 2022 will receive a one-time bonus of \$2,000; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that part-time employees that were employed with Fulton County Government as of January 1, 2022 and continue to be employed on June 30, 2022 and have been paid wages for work performed in 2022 will receive a one-time bonus of \$1,000.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the one-time bonus payment will be received with regular paid wages on the payroll date of July 29, 2022.

Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Lewis seconded. The motion carries 2-0.

FORGIVABLE LOAN AGREEMENTS- Commissioner Ranstead will be abstaining from the Fair Grounds because his daughter is on the board.

Town of Kewanna – \$150,000

Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve; Commissioner Sommers seconded; motion carries 3-0

Aubbeenaubbee Township- \$150,000

Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Ranstead seconded; motion carries 3-0.

Fulton County United Way- \$50,000

Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Ranstead seconded; motion carries 3-0.

Fulton County 4-H Fair Association- \$150,000

Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Lewis seconded; motion carries 2-0.

Habitat for Humanity- \$90,000

Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve; Commissioner Sommers seconded; motion carries 3-0.

Kewanna Union Twp Library- \$60,000

Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve; Commissioner Sommers seconded; motion carries 3-0.

Town of Fulton-\$150,000

Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve; Commissioner Sommers seconded; motion carries 3-0.

South Mud Lake Conservancy- \$150,000

Commissioner Sommers motioned to approve; Commissioner Ranstead seconded; motion carries 3-0.

MINUTES- Commissioner Lewis made the correction that Dave Sommers was not present at the July 18th meeting. Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve minutes of the July 18th meeting; Commissioner Lewis seconded; carries 2-0.

CLAIMS- Approved as presented

ARP Forgivable Loan Agreements	\$	950,000
Payroll 07/15/2022	\$	243,955.80
Payroll deductions 07/15/2022	\$	106,798.16

Aug 1 Misc. Claims	\$	302,730.38
Aug 1 Credit Card Claims	\$	7,788.33
Insurance disbursements 5/26/22-6/1/22	\$	15,183.87
Insurance disbursements 5/19/22-5/25/22	\$	1,435.97
Insurance disbursements 5/12/22-5/18/22	\$	7,565.12
Insurance disbursements for 5/11/22	\$	7,531.66
Insurance disbursements 4/28/22-5/4/22 & May fees	\$	37,757.91
Insurance disbursements 4/21/22-4/27/22	\$	2,458.22
Insurance disbursements 4/14/22-4/20/22	\$	11,842.44
Insurance disbursements for 4/7/22-4/13/22	\$	20,315.97

TRANSFERS – Approved as presented

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
Commissioners	County General	Legal/Lawsuit	Autopsy	\$5,217
Autopsy for inmate who passed away while incarcerated at Indiana State Prison				
Clerk	County General	Rebind Records	Continuing Education	\$80
Reimbursement to Dawn Ziemek and Paula Murphy for continuing education				
EMA	County General	Office Supply	Uniforms	\$200
Getting training out of the red				

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS- Approved as presented

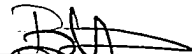
Department	Fund	For	Amount
Health	Health	Environmental Specialist, OASDI, PERF	\$7,200
Current Environmentalist leaving; payout + 1 week overlap with new Environmentalist			
Public Defender	Supplemental Public Defender Services	Reimbursement Conflict Attorney	\$5,587
These monies are earmarked for use for additional public defense costs.			
Election Board	Clerk's Record Perpetuation	Office Supply- Election	\$6,000
To purchase blank ballots for 2022 Election Cycle to record votes			
Highway	Motor Vehicle Highway	Bituminous + Mixed Aggregate	\$300,000
Use of wheel + sur tax monies to cover materials needed for extra chip seal miles and pug from millings			
Highway	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	Laborer, OASDI, PERF, Bituminous & Mixed Aggregate	\$100,000
To pave the museum parking lot for ADA compliance			

OLD BUSINESS – There will be AED training on August 3rd and 10th at 9:00 a.m. at the jail. There will be a special training for the highway department with date and time TBD. There was a question from the public about the budget and the Commissioners directed her to the Council instead.

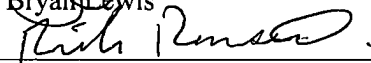
NEW BUSINESS – Commissioner Ranstead stated that the credit cards are getting out of hand, especially with charging sales tax. Commissioner Lewis discussed the need for them to look at the process of using the credit cards and revamping it to hold people accountable. There will be a meeting on Thursday 8/4/22 with Lutheran to figure out a plan for the future.

RECESS – Commissioner Ranstead motioned to recess at 9:54 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Sommers; carries 3-0.

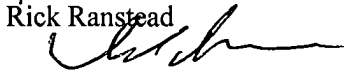
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COMMISSIONERS



Bryan Lewis



Rick Ranstead



David Sommers



Attest: Christina Sriver, County Auditor

I affirm under penalties of perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document, unless required by law: Christina Sriver

Prepared by: Chantal Rensberger