

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, June 03, 2024

Meeting Called to Order at 9:05 A.M. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, David Sommers, County Attorney Holli Shorter-Pifer. and Auditor Rep. Casey Jones.

4C Health-Gave yearly review of services offered by 4C here in Fulton County. Providing peers in support of the JCAP program in the Jail here in Fulton County. Switching inpatient center from Logansport to Peru. Depression and Anxiety are the most common disorders treated from Fulton County Residents.

Bid on Yoder Estate- Susan B Mcfarland bids \$1,500 for the half interest in property located at 2768 S. 1075E Akron, IN 46910. Commissioner Sommers motions to accept bid, Commissioner Lewis seconds, carries 3-0.

Baker Tilly Report-Commissioner Ranstead motions to approve, Commissioner Sommers seconds; carries 3-0.

Commissioner Lewis- Talks about donating a lot owned by the county to Fulton County Housing Authority and asks other commissioners to think about it and they will readdress next commissioners meeting.

Clerk's Office-Dawn-Gave update on election costs. Total of 2,476 voters in the election, of which 779 of them were early voters or mail-in. The approx. cost of the election was \$48,092, which equals out to a cost per vote of \$19.42. Voting equipment company wants to get a maintenance agreement for updating election equipment machines.

Assessors Office-Kasey Hensley- Started onsite mobile assessments, first one was in Bruce Lake on May 18th, the next one was completed on June 1st at Niona Lake, and the next one will be here at the County Building on June 11th asked to keep the building open till 8PM. Spoke with Christina Sriver and will be rolling new assessment values into WTH, so the public can see the new values.

EMA/E911-Gail Karas-Updates EMA has been busy responding to emergencies, and doing public outreach. Gail visited local schools, Rotary Club, and Lion's Club to educate community members about emergency management. Multi-Hazard grant that rotates every year falls to Fulton County this year. School safety program in all Fulton County schools is underway, schools given new safety equipment. EMS contract reviewed, and met with Chad and Brett to go over procedures. Meeting every week until July 1st to get things rolling for the new EMS contract with Parkview. Gail has new quality assurance employee (Megan) who will work 1-on-1 with Parkview to establish procedures and protocols for the new ambulance service. All townships in Fulton County are covered by the new ambulance contract. Culver EMS is wanting to use our radio channels.

Highway-John Grier-No permits this week. Updated commissioners on the highway Dept's ongoing projects.

Gave commissioners end of year report for 2023. Commissioner Ranstead motions to approve report, Commissioner Sommers seconds; motion carries 3-0.

John presented amended community crossings that says "projects scheduled seven weeks as needed May 2024 ending when the project is completed by Dec 31st." Everything else is the exact same as document submitted last meeting. Commissioner Sommers motions to approve, Commissioner Ranstead seconds; motion carries 3-0.



John asks for permission to buy concrete clocks, he states the funds are within his budget. Commissioner Ranstead motions to approve, Sommers seconds; motion carries 3-0.

John asked for commissioners blessing in hauling sand for local ballpark, as has been done in the past. Bids for Blacketer paving project, E & B bid for 84,707.00 Fin and Brown bid for 151,895.00.

Commissioner Sommers motions to approve E&B, Ranstead seconds; motion carries 3-0.

Maintenance-Kerry-Updated that chiller in the courthouse chiller has officially quit working, asks for approval to order chiller because it's a 26-week window from order time till delivery. Bids for Chiller were as follows: OSJ-\$87,000.00, WMI-\$94,095.00, and Cores-89,357.00. Due to Core being local, and the fact that they are already a service provider for Fulton County Kerry asked the commissioners to accept the Core bid over OSJ or WMI. Commissioners Sommers motions to approve Core's chiller bid, Commissioner Ranstead seconds; Motion carries 2-0, Commissioner Lewis abstains. Installed new tables in Superior Courtroom. Courthouse foundation in basement is falling apart, has a structural engineer coming in to try to fix the problem. Will keep commissioners updated as he gets more information.

Sheriff-Travis Heishman-Jail population this morning was 142 with 38 Howard County inmates, 51 Grant County inmates, and 5 federal inmates. Asks for approval to start looking for a new transport vehicle for jail, has operational funding from housing out-of-county inmates. Powerline safety training is tonight at the Sheriff's Dept, have 50 people signed up for the training.

Treasurer- Kathy Adamson-Has shoulder surgery scheduled for June 18th and will be out of the office that week. She plans on playing her recovery by ear and might need approval to work from home if she doesn't recover fast enough. She will update commissioners if approval is needed.

Rochester Mayor-Trent Odell-Updated commissioners on happenings in Rochester. Trying to repair Putt's building, talking with Structural engineers out of Indianapolis. Building should be partially back open to public. Trent is hoping by the end of this week the West half of the building will be back open to the public, they are currently constructing a wall to isolate the East half of the building. Looking to hire code enforcement officer, have a couple applicants they are debating between and hoping to hire an individual within the month. Nickel Plate Trail extension is due to start in August or September. City Fireworks are scheduled for Friday July 5th, and Friday June 28th is a swearing ceremony for new Fire Chief TJ Dubois as well as new fireman, August 31st is Nickel Plate Arts and Music Festival and they are hoping to have a parade this year. Started work on old Masonic Lodge, business will be on first floor with Apartments on 2nd and 3rd Floor. Trent will invite a commissioner if there is an in-person meeting with Baker Tilly about tax abatement and TIF.

TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION- Decide to table health department request for July 7th because of hotel pricing.

FEDCO-Michael-None

MINUTES-Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve the minutes of May 20th, Commissioner Sommers seconded; carries 3-0.

Executive Minutes- Commissioner Ranstead motioned to approve the minutes of the executive meeting on May 6th, Commissioner Sommers seconds; motion carries 3-0.

CLAIMS- Approved as presented

Payroll-05/17/2024	\$ 303,680.79
Utilities	\$ 19,407.12
Paying Taxes To Treasurer For Redemption	\$ 717.10
Annual Riverboat Sharing	\$ 21,173.82
Wheel/Sur Tax	\$ 56,637.97
Host Fees Fulton County Solid Waste District	\$ 33,333.33
Loan Payment to Lake City Bank Ditch #700 Eddy Creek	\$ 2,685.87
4300 to 4301 and 4302 15% Split b/w funds for Inmate Housing 2022-2023	\$ 150,737.48
Disbursements for 4/25/2024 thru 5/1/2024	\$ 22,231.90
Election Pay	\$ 320.00
#700 Eddy Creek Loan Payment Transfer from 1158 to 2613	\$ 2685.87
Credit Card Claims	\$ 3193.08
June 3 rd Misc Claims	\$ 437,569.65
Payroll-05/31/2024	\$ 277,623.77

TRANSFERS – Approved as presented

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
Sheriff Budget Shortfall	1101-Accident Report Acc.	Photo Supply	Equipment	\$500.00
Sheriff Budget Shortfall	1101-Accident Report Acc.	Office Equipment	Equipment	\$2500.00
Sheriff Budget Shortfall	1101-Accident Report Acc.	Computer Maint. Software	Equipment	\$1500.00
Sheriff Budget Shortfall	1101 Accident Report Acc.	Computer Software	Equipment	\$2000.00
Surveyor Budget Shortfall	1001-County General	Engineering Fees	Printing	\$1060.00
Park & Recreation Budget Shortfall	1179-Park Nonreverting Operating	Mileage	Legal Advertising	\$50.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS- None

OLD BUSINESS –None

NEW BUSINESS –None

RECESS – -Commissioner Ranstead motioned to recess at 10:24am., Commissioner Sommers seconds; motion carries 3-0.

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Bryan Lewis

Rick Ranstead

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David Sommers

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Christina Sriver

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: Casey Jones

