

FULTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Monday, April 17th, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, Steve Metzger, Attorney Greg Heller and Auditor Christina Sriver.

HIGHWAY – John Geier presented a mowing contract from Larry Morrow. Rick moved to enter into the contract, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. The department has begun laying sod and chipping and sealing the roads. The roller is in at South Bend and delivery is delayed until a truck is headed this way. Construction on Bridge 503 is going well, slightly behind schedule; the May 1 deadline will not be met. John will update Rick on the missed deadline penalty is. CAT will bring a loaner paver for Olson Road to be used around May 1. He will be meeting with George Watson of USI on April 24th at 10:30 for River Road solution discussion, John invited commissioners to attend. Bridge Inspection, RFP, is out as inspected by INDOT for the 2018-2021 cycle and is due in 30 days; Rick will do the scoring. John updated on the delivery time for the new trucks. He discussed the transfers and additional appropriations he is requesting. The ADA/Title VI training will be Wednesday, April 18th. Steve inquired about summer mowing; John has three part-timers lined up and would like to hire a fourth. John has ordered new handicap signs. John had some workers help dig up a portion of the Annex building parking lot that was sinking and will probably need to fill-in more later. Rick spoke of discussion concerning burning candles in the buildings; it was discussed at the safety meeting. It will be addressed in the Personnel Policy.

LUCAS STREET BID OPENING – Phend & Brown bid \$529,000. E&B Paving bid \$440,029.70. Bids will be taken under advisement.

SHERIFF – Chris presented the monthly reports from March. He is finalizing all the information requested by DLZ for the jail feasibility study. He is coordinate a time to meet and discuss the fire monitoring system that is being replaced by Koorsen in addition to applying for a variance to do away with the hoses. He is replacing the thermostats at the jail. Spillman has presented a new quote for the CAD system. Hopefully at the next meeting they will have reviewed the newest quote with the city. Chris presented information regarding Lieberman financial software he is interested in purchasing. He would pay for it out of the commissary account. A sound masking system was just installed in the jail last week. He has more information regarding the changes to the Sheriff's retirement fund but will not be ready until the next meeting. He will have an additional appropriation for \$25,000 for housing inmates outside the county. He will need to replace at least one vehicle this year, possibly two. He replaced a motor on another car recently. He has located a floor buffer for purchase.

LUCAS STREET BID CONTINUED – Rick moved to enter into contract with E&B paving, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

AKRON OPERA HOUSE QUOTES – Chuck Schoen Excavating: \$145,000; Jackson: \$150,000. County Attorney Greg Heller will take contracts under advisement.

BURN ORDINANCE – Steve moved to read the ordinance by title only for the third reading, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read Ordinance #040317 aloud. Bryan opened for public discussion. A resident from the area requested that commissioners allow to burn in the evening. The same resident

also pointed out that the leaves that she would rake to the road for pick-up would be blown away by passers-by before they are able to be picked up. She stated that she did not receive a letter concerning the burn ban. Gloria Carvey, Site Director for Ivy Tech, introduced herself and stated that some of the classes are held in the evenings and is concerned all students including disabled and asthmatic students. The resident asked that the schools work their classes around burning the leaves. Another resident asked that fire pits specifically be added to the ordinance so officers wouldn't have to make the call on-site when responding. Mayor Denton pointed out that there is a nursing home in the area that is also being affected. Steve Metzger questioned Mayor Denton if the city had any continuing complaints from the city residents who the burn ban affects. The mayor responded that the complaints dwindled over the years. Another resident with acreage spoke of the larger amount of limbs, fallen trees and leaves they have to handle. He requested to redraw the boundary line to start the ban over a smaller area to begin with. A resident asked if they were able to request special permission to burn. Rick stated that they probably will not permit special permission on a regular basis. Discussion ensued. Bryan suggested they table the discussion until the next meeting to review the boundary limits of the ban. Rick moved to table discussion until the next meeting, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

MINUTES – Minutes for the April 3rd, 2017, meeting were motioned for approval as presented by Stev , seconded by Rick; passed 3-0.

CLAIMS – Approved as presented.

4/17/17	Costs associated with Akron Opera House	\$875.00
4/17/17	Akron Opera House - Asbestos removal	\$16,475
4/17/17	Misc. Claims	\$524,003.58
4/17/17	Corrected Claims for 4/17/17	\$472.61
4/7/17	April 2017 LIT Distribution & Misc. Claims	\$731,438.19
4/13/17	Payroll	\$171,339.05

TRANSFERS – Approved as presented.

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
	1001			
Assessor	County General	Mileage	Dues	\$12.62
Increase in dues, part of dues should have been paid out of the Reassessment fund				
	1122		Fringe Health	\$6,680
Probation	Adult Comm. Corr.	Social Security	Fringe Dental	\$120
To cover costs for the year				
	1176			
Highway	MVH	Bituminous	Road Signs	\$1,500
Replace the amount spent on barricades to ensure money for signs				

OLD BUSINESS – Rick encouraged all to attend the sensitivity training being held on Wednesday.

RECESS – Rick motioned to recess at 7:23 p.m., seconded by Steve; passed 3-0.