

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Commissioners
2524 Corydon Pike Suite 104
New Albany IN 47150**

**December 1, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

Shawn Carruthers called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Present – President Shawn Carruthers and Vice President John Schellenberger
Tim Kamer - virtual

Also Present - Attorney Rick Fox, Assessor James Sinks, Auditor Jacqueline Wenning, HR Director Michelle Portwood, Sheriff Frank Loop and Council Member Dale Bagshaw.

Shawn Carruthers led a moment of silence for all that have been affected by COVID and the Country, as a whole, during this time of unrest.

Old Business:

1. Certifying Appointment for Floyd County Health Officer

Motion to not certify Dr. Harris as local Health Officer for another term. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Shawn Carruthers. Tim Kamer opposed. Motion passed 2-1. John Schellenberger asked Suzanna Worrall to reach out to Dr. Garner and the other Health Board members. He also ask HR Director, Michelle Portwood, for assistance with advertising, interviewing and making a selection.

New Business:

2. Floyd County Sheriff-Frank Loop
 - a. Motorola E911 update

Sheriff, Frank Loop, has communicated with the County Council and Commissioners that the 911 radio system is at the end of its life and in February 2021 Motorola would no longer maintain or stock parts for the current system. If the system goes down, they would have to search for parts and could lead to numerous days of the 911 system being down. The original quote from Motorola was almost \$700,000.00 for this project. The price has come down to \$411,000.00. Motorola has agreed to carry Floyd County for a 2-year period. The first payment is not due until 2021 or the county could hold off and pay the whole amount at the end of the term with 0% interest. Sheriff Loop stated that the money is in the 911 fund. There is \$600,000.00 in the fund.

John Schellenberger asked if the county paid half this year and half the next if there would be any kind of discount. Sheriff Loop stated he would ask for a discount if we paid half this year, half next year or all at once.

Sheriff Loop stated he checked with Don Lopp and none of the money in the 911 fund is earmarked and it brings in an average of a little less than \$500,000.00 a year. The state gave the county an additional \$186,000.00 this year because of COVID.

Shawn Carruthers asked how long this system would last. Sheriff Loop stated that it is hard to say since it is electronics. The current system was put in 11 or 12 years ago. There will be an additional \$25,000.00 for post warranty starting after year 2.

John Schellenberger asked if there are other companies that could supply this system. Sheriff Loop stated that there are other companies but they would have to dismantle everything and start over if they went with a different manufacturer. Sheriff Loop stated he does not have enough time to get competitors' bids before losing the \$45,000.00 discount in December.

Don Lopp was asked if the money was available in the fund. He stated that it is available but would like to meet with the sheriff and Stan Heil to discuss options.

Tim Kamer stated he appreciates the information and the diligence the sheriff has done to get the pricing down. He wished that they could get a partnership with the City to share one 911 center but understands that we need to upgrade now.

Attorney Rick Fox stated that the contract would also need to be approved.

Motion to allow Sheriff Loop to proceed with the Motorola 911 update and approve the contract. Moved by Tim Kamer. Seconded by John Schellenberger. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Director of Operations & Planning-Don Lopp

a. Grant Line Road Intersection Improvement PER Contract

Don Lopp stated that this contract is for a preliminary engineering contract for a traffic signal at St. Joe Road and Grant Line Road. Don Lopp stated that Clark County will share the cost.

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Village at Autumn Hills Plat

The developer did not get the items requested by Mr. Urieta. Don Lopp asked to remove it from the agenda.

4. Director of Building & Development-Justin Tackett

a. Building Permit Software Contract

Don Lopp stated that the contract is with Central Square for \$156,700.00

Tim Kamer asked if this is an annual cost. Don Lopp stated that it is for the actual installation and transfer over. He believes there is a \$20,000.00 annual cost for updates.

Motion to approve the contract. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Purdue University Housing Study Contract

Motion to allow Shawn Carruthers to sign contract with the university. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Lanesville and Floyd County

Don Lopp stated that this is an ongoing agreement with Lanesville. They purchase up to 500 gallons of brine solution

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Resolution 2020-17 Economic Development Plan

This resolution is approving certain matters in connection with the establishment of Mainstream Broadband Area. This will capture the personal property increases in the grant area from Mainstream program.

Motion to approve the TIF for the Mainstream footprint. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Community Foundation of Southern Indiana County Board Appointee-Bob Woosley
 - a. Hospital Funds

Mr. Woosley stated that, with the sale of the hospital, \$70 million of the proceeds were put with the Community Foundation. As part of that, Mr. Woosley was named as Floyd County's appointee to their board.

Mr. Woosley stated the original investment was \$70 million with the goal of a spend rate of 5% or \$3.5 million. The principal has grown to \$74 million at the end of October and is now around \$78 million. It is in conservative funds. He congratulated the county for the foresight that protected the funds.

6. FCR 2020-15 2021 Revised Holiday Schedule

Motion to approve FCR 2020-15 Revised 2021 Observed Holidays. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

7. FCR 2020-16 2021 Commissioners Meeting Dates

Motion to approve FCR 2020-16 2021 Commissioners Meeting dates. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Appointment to Floyd County Public Defender Board

Motion to re-appoint Justin Endris. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Board & Committee Reports

- Let the record show the Floyd County Commissioners received the October 2020 Floyd County Clerk's monthly report.
- Approval of the November 17, 2020 Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Payroll and Claims

Motion to approve. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

Today's Meetings

Stormwater-4:30 - cancelled

Special Commissioners Meeting:

December 8, 2020-5:00 p.m.

Next Regular Commissioners Meeting:

December 15, 2020-6:00 p.m.

Shawn Carruthers stated that there has not been a replacement named for Jerry Finn of the Horseshoe Foundation. The board will be meeting to go over some of the final selections. They are hoping to name his replacement by the end of the year.

John Schellenberger thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

Public

Dale Mann, Georgetown, stated that the police officers should have body cameras.

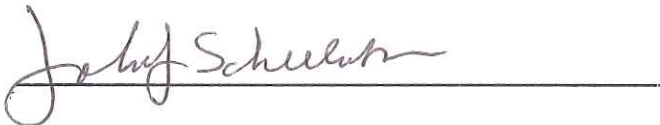
Dr. Harris, Health Officer, stated, on the record, that the last time Commissioner Schellenberger and Commissioner Carruthers spoke to him directly about COVID related response was August 12. The same Commissioners also ignored the opinion and repetitive vote of the Board of Health which is comprised of individuals knowledgeable about health in our community. He stated that there has not been due diligence done because of this lack of due process and effective communication.

Motion to adjourn. Moved by John Schellenberger. Seconded by Tim Kamer. Motion passed unanimously.

Board of Commissioners



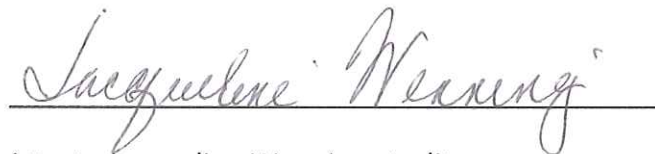
Shawn Carruthers, President



John Schellenberger, Vice President



Tim Kamer, Commissioner



Attest: Jacqueline Wenning, Auditor