

## **HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING OCTOBER 6, 2014**

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, October 6, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice President Tyler Moore, and Member Brad Bray. Also in attendance were County Attorney Larry Murrell and Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Steve Rogers and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Brad Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Vice President Tyler Moore offered a word of prayer.

### **IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of the September 15, 2014 Regular Meeting, having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF RETIREMENT OF K-9 OFFICER:**

Sheriff Steve Rogers submitted a Personal Contract between Corporal Paul Cherry and the Howard County Sheriff's Department to retire K-9 Officer Canto after nine (9) years of service. Corporal Cherry has agreed to accept full responsibility for Canto. The Commissioners commended Canto and his handler, Corporal Cherry, for the fine work accomplished the last nine years. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Personal Contract with Corporal Paul Cherry for the retirement of K-9 Officer Canto. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:**

- 1) Highway Department Engineer / Superintendent Ted Cain submitted a previously approved Local Public Agency Contract, for the Commissioners' signatures. This was for the road plans for the Touby Pike project previously approved at the August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting (*please refer to page one, item one, "In The Matter Of Departmental Issues: Highway Department", of the Regular Meeting minutes dated August 18, 2014*).
- 2) Mr. Cain submitted the Notice to Bid for Materials & Supplies for the County Highway Department Year 2015, to be received no later than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 17, 2014. The bids will be opened at the 8:30 a.m. Commissioner Meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup>. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Notice to Bid for Materials & Supplies for 2015, to be received no later than 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 17, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
- 3) Mr. Cain submitted a Local Public Agency Agreement between Howard County and the Indiana Department of Transportation for the Park Avenue Bridge # 508. The amount of the project is \$1,469,600.00 for the whole project. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Project Coordination Contract with the Indiana Department of Transportation for the Park Avenue Bridge #508 Project, Des #1400994. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
- 4) Mr. Cain submitted a Local Public Agency Consulting Contract with Butler Fairman & Seufert for inspection services for the Touby Pike Project. Federal funds will underwrite 80% of the project. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the LPA Contract with Butler Fairman & Seufert, Des #0710026, for an amount not to exceed \$173,900.00, and authorize President Wyman to sign the Sub Consultant Acknowledgement DBE Statement on behalf of the Board of Commissioners.

#### **RECORDER:**

Howard County Recorder, Brook Cleaver, submitted an Amended Schedule H to the Fidler CrowdForce Indexing Services. This amendment gives Ms. Cleaver the ability to give recommendations as to the assignment or removal of members. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the Amended Schedule H of the CrowdForce Indexing Services from Fidler.

#### **PLAN COMMISSION:**

Concerning the Rankin Excavation quotes, Plan Commission Director Greg has not reviewed the two quotes received, in entirety. He suggested the Board of Commissioners approve the lowest quote, subject to final review by Mr. Sheline. The two quotes received were: Feightner Excavating, \$11,280.00 and Alliance Excavating &

Demolition, \$16,900.00 (*please refer to page two, item five, "In The Matter of County Attorney Issues", of the Regular Meeting minutes dated September 15, 2014*). A motion was made by Mr. Moore to award the Rankin Demolition project to Feightner Excavating, in the amount of \$11, 280.00, as the lowest quote, subject to final review by Plan Commission Director Greg Sheline and authorize President Wyman to sign the document after final review. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**KINSEY YOUTH CENTER:**

1) KYC Director Jeff Lipinski will give fifty (50) hours from the Kinsey portion of the Irish Mechanical Contract to the Criminal Justice Center for their use.

2) Mr. Lipinski submitted the following two Cumulative Capital Purchase requests:

A. Replacement of the chemical Fire System in the kitchen of the Youth Center, in the amount of \$2,600.00. The current system is about twenty-one (21) years old and the chemicals are starting to harden. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve the Elwood Fire System Replacement quote, in an amount not to exceed \$2,600.00, to be paid from the Cumulative Capital Fund, Commissioner Equipment line item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

B. Mr. Lipinski submitted a quote from Huston Electric for the replacement of bathroom lighting for forty-seven (47) bathrooms at Kinsey Youth Center, in the amount of \$4,600.00. He would like half to be paid from Kinsey Funds and half from the Cumulative Capital Fund, Commissioner Equipment line item. A rebate is also available for this project and can be split 50/50 between both funds. A motion was made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried to approve the replacement of bathroom lighting for forty-seven (47) bathrooms in Kinsey Youth Center, to be paid 50% from Kinsey funds, and 50% from the Cumulative Capital Fund, Commissioner Equipment line item. The \$247.00 rebate check will be receipted 50% into Kinsey funds and 50% into the Cumulative Capital Fund.

**IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION NO. 2014-BCCR-22 - UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN SUPPORT:**

Deputy Auditor Konny Zurcher submitted Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-22, a resolution of the Howard County Board of Commissioners supporting the United Way of Howard County 2014-2015 Campaign. She also submitted the first of several employee memos for permission to distribute through the payroll process. Ms. Zurcher will be stepping down from campaign responsibilities and introduced Ms. Irma Pratt and Ms. Jessica Rudy, also from the Auditor's Office, as the new campaign administrators. Also introduced was loaned associate for Howard County Government, Mr. Steve Geiselman. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-22, a resolution in support of the United Way 2014/2015 Campaign, and approve the distribution of employee United Way memos through the payroll process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF EVERBRIDGE PUBLIC NOTIFICATION RESOLUTION NO. 2014-BCCR-24:**

President Wyman submitted Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-24, establishing protocol for additional public notices through Everbridge system. The 911 Dispatch Director will create a new link in Everbridge for the public to check if they want "Public Notices" automatically sent to them via Email only, when posted (such as Commissioner and Council meeting agendas and minutes). The Information Systems Department will be trained to post and send out the notices. Other special "Public Notices" will be sent out only with the approval and authorization the Commissioners or Council. Only the Information Systems Department will have the authority to post these notifications. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to approve Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-24, Establishing Protocol for Additional Public Notices through Everbridge System, and authorize President Wyman to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:**

Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary Claims payable October 10 and 17, 2014, in the amount of \$356,123.15 each was submitted, and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

2. **Operating Claims:** Commissioners' Operating Claims payable today, in the amount of \$1,257,526.20 were submitted, and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.
3. **Monthly Reports:** The following reports were received and submitted: Veterans Service Report for the month ending August, 2014; Weights & Measures Report for the month of August 16 – September 15, 2014; Clerk Monthly Report for the month ending September 30, 2014; Recorder Monthly Report for the month ending September 30, 2014. A motion was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried to accept the four monthly reports as submitted.
4. **Ratify Signatures:** The Board of Commissioners signed two Proclamations; one honoring Mr. Harry E. McGonigal, Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-23; one honoring Huston Electric, Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-21. Both were signed outside of a Public Meeting and Ms. Lake asked that the signatures on both resolutions be ratified. A motion was made by Mr. Bray to ratify all three of the Commissioners' signatures on Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-21 and Resolution No. 2014-BCCR-23. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF A COUNTY SUPPORT REQUEST FOR RUSSIAVILLE INTERURBAN STATION PROJECT:**

Ms. Marsha Berry, spokesperson for the Russiaville Historical Society took the podium to request support from the Howard County Commissioners for the Historical Society InterUrban Station Building Restoration Project. The Station was built between 1910 and 1912 and was one of three surviving business buildings that survived the 1965 tornado. The building was given to the Town of Russiaville in 2008 to house the Historical Society. In 2013 the Russiaville Historical Society received a \$272,500.00 grant for the restoration, and they have also received matching funds and donations. This restoration will allow the building to be eligible to apply for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Buildings. The Historical Society is asking for support from the Board of Commissioners. A motion was made by Moore to support the InterUrban Station Building Restoration Project, in the amount of \$15,000.00, from the Special Projects line item of the EDIT Fund (1112-03000.01). The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY ISSUES:**

County Attorney Larry Murrell submitted the following issues for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Wilson Office Allowance:** Mr. Murrell submitted an invoice from Assistant County Attorney Alan Wilson, for the second half of his office allowance, in the amount of \$1,000.00. The invoice was approved for payment on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.
2. **Barnes & Thornburg Invoice:** An invoice from Barnes & Thornburg was submitted, in the amount of \$13,516.95. The invoice was for services rendered for the period ending August 31, 2014, for General Finance Advice, Donald Hughes ICRC Charge, and the Ruben Cable EEOC Matter. The invoice was approved for payment on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.
3. **Ratify Agreement:** On Friday, October 3, 2014, the Board of Commissioners signed a Settlement Agreement with the City of Kokomo, The Howard County Sheriff, and the Howard County Circuit and Superior Court Judges, for the purposes of continuing the construction of a recreational trail along Buckeye Street on the west side of the Howard County Courthouse. Mr. Murrell is asking that the Commissioners' signatures be ratified. A motion was made by Mr. Moore to ratify the Commissioners' signatures on the Settlement Agreement signed October 3, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray and carried.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:**

##### **COMMISSIONER BRAY:**

Commissioner Bray authorized the repair of the Bi-Directional Amplifier damaged from a recent lightning strike. This repair is needed to assist our 911 Dispatch department.

##### **COMMISSIONER WYMAN:**

Last Friday was the ribbon-cutting ceremony of the Industrial Arts AlleyScape Art Project in the alley south of the Administration Center. This alley is now a pedestrian alley only. No other traffic will be allowed.

**IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT:**

President Wyman opened the floor for public comment as follows:

**Jerry Paul, President of the Howard County Veteran Memorial Corp. at Darrough Chapel Park:** At the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting the Board of Commissioners granted assistance in the amount of \$15,000.00 to the Howard County Veteran Memorial Corporation at Darrough Chapel Park (*please refer to page three and four, “In The Matter Of Commissioner Assistance Requests”, of the Regular Meeting minutes dated May 5, 2014*). Mr. Paul is requesting the assistance now in lieu of waiting until the project is completed.

Commissioner Wyman would like to review the meeting minutes where the assistance was granted, as well as new information, and discuss the request at the next Commissioner meeting.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time,  
the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on a motion made by  
Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore and carried.*

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

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PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

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TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR

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