

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 3, 2021

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Parke County Board of Commissioners convened in a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 3rd, 2021, having adjourned from a regular meeting on Monday, April 19th, 2021.
- II. **ROLL CALL:** Members present were Commissioner Jim Meece, President, Dan R. Collom, First Vice President; Bruce Hartman, Second Vice President; Laura Fischer, Auditor; Nicole Collings, First Deputy Auditor; and County Attorney Nick Sauter. Also present were Jessica Lancaster, Justin Cole, Randy Norman, John Martin, Pam Sanders, Kathy Collom, and Steve Leatherman.
- III. **MINUTES:** Minutes for the regular meeting held on March 15, 2021 were approved on a motion made by Jim Meece and seconded by Dan R Collom. Minutes for the regular meeting held on April 5, 2021 and on April 19, 2021 were approved on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman.
- IV. **PAYROLL:** County payroll in the amount of \$184,615.33 was approved for release on Monday, April 26, 2021 on a motion made by Dan R. Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. The motion carried unanimously. Dan R Collom made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the Payroll Claims Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$ 97,371.66. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- V. **CLAIMS:** After reviewing the Claims Docket, claims in the amount of \$486,716.54 were approved for release on April 26, 2021 on a motion made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan R Collom. The motion carried unanimously.
- VI. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - Steve Leatherman with WTH GIS approached the Commissioners with a Data Sharing Request. WTH GIS is requesting a Data Sharing Ordinances with the county that follow with Indiana's Open Records Law and they would handle the request submitted. The county would still own the data and the Commissioners would have to approve applications that would be submitted. WTH GIS would bill the company and WTH GIS would receive 2/3 of the \$750 and the county would receive 1/3 of the money. Commissioners decided that they would like Steve Leatherman to present to County Council Meeting and share the plan with them. Jim Meece made the motion from approval agreement contingent on County Council approval. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
 - The Board re-evaluated the Ordinance 2021-03 Creating a New Fund for the Receipt of Funding from the American Rescue Plan as Adopted by Congress in 2021. Jim Meece made the motion to signed the Ordinance 2021-03. Motion was seconded by Dan R. Collom and it was approved unanimously by the Board.
 - The Board received a letter from Parke County Farm Bureau INC. The letter was read aloud and acknowledged by the Board.
 - Penn Township submitted their amended township assistance policy. The amended policy was read and acknowledged.
 - The DNR submitted a letter on the South Market Street Reconstruction to the Board.
 - Travelers Claim Acknowledgment was submitted to the Board of Commissioners.

- Motion to approve Resolution 2021-04 Amendment to Parke County Resolution(s) 2005-03, 2013-07, 2015-02, 2015-11, 2017-06, and 2019-01 was made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan R. Collom. Motion passed unanimously.
- Branson Insurance Endorsement was presented and a motion made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan R. Collom to sign it. Jim Meece made a motion to amend the previous motion on making it contingent on Attorney approval. Bruce Hartman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- Local Road Report was signed upon a motion by Dan R Collom and seconded by Bruce Hartman. Motion approved.
- Bruce Hartman made a motion to approve an out of cycle claim for Core Facilities for the invoice of \$21,600. Dan R Collom seconded the motion. The motion approved unanimously.

VII: OLD BUSINESS:

- Jim Meece held a discussion on the opening of all the courthouse doors. Nick Sauter mentioned that many counties only have one entrances for security reason even before Covid shut downs.
- Attorney Nick Sauter addressed the previous letter from the attorney about an employee. Nick Sauter asked for approval from the Board to release the employee file to the attorney. Jim Meece made the motion to approve the release of the records to the attorney. Dan R Collom seconded the motion.

VIII. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Parke County Sheriff, Justin Cole:

- Justin Cole gave his monthly report, 67 inmates in jail and collection of DOC money.
- The parking lot at the county jail is need of attention. Justin Cole is in the process of getting estimates for paving, sealing, and painting.

Parke County EMT: Julie Lanzone: absent

Parke County EMA/E911: Chris O'Brien: absent

Parke County Extension Office: Christie Jacob: absent

Parke County Redevelopment: Cyndi Todd: absent

Parke County Highway Department Superintendent, Randy Norman:

- Randy Norman informed the Board that the fuel company would like to place another fuel tank on the property. The Board will be fine with the place as long as they don't have a contract for the tank. Nick Sauter will contact the company.
- Randy Norman will apply for the Community Cross Grant in July. The Commissioners encourage him to apply for any grant that he can.
- Randy Norman gave an update on Graders and their hours. One grader will be parked because it is very close to using up its number of hours on the lease.
- Randy Norman gave his report on paving and patching of roads. Jim Meece made a motion that Bridgeton road and Lodi road be included on the next cycle of paving. Dan R. Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The Board agreed to do a drive around with Randy on Monday May 10, 2021 at 8 am to look at road conditions.
- Jim Meece checked out a complaint from a lady about duraberm causing holes in her tires. He checked the area out and did find a couple sharp pieces but no metal.
- Randy Norman said they will be having a training on June 14th on the graders. Jim Meece made a motion on the liability disclaimer on the training. Dan Collom seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Nick Sauter said the Amish have requested an estimate on oil for roads. Dan Collom said that he would have that for the next meeting.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

X. ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was made by Bruce Hartman and seconded by Dan R. Collom. The meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.



Jim Meece, President

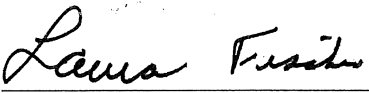


Dan R. Collom, 1st Vice President



Bruce Hartman, 2nd Vice President

ATTEST:



Laura Fischer,
Parke County Auditor