

Randolph County Commissioners

October 19, 2020

The Randolph County Commissioners met at their regular meeting at 9:00AM in the Commissioners and Council Room in the Courthouse with the following members present: Board President Michael Wickersham, Tom Chalfant and Gary Girton. Also present was Randolph County Chief Deputy Auditor Angela Lowe, Chief Deputy Sheriff Ken Hendrickson and Attorney Tom Cockerill.

Michael Wickersham, President presided over the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Jake Donham – Update

Mike said we have an ongoing question on the repair on our fans and the wind, we spend extra money to get that done. Did that work?

Jake said the blowers are just now coming on line, they been on low fire for the last month or so, since they got that project complete. As of right now I have not had any issue what so ever, I don't think we are going to have any problem with it. That was a sure-fire fix according to everybody on the project. We done the final punch list finally September 28th, we done a complete walk through at that point with all the players involved were on site to test every aspect of the equipment that was put in to make sure it was working as the engineers designed and everything passed. Now we are in the process of getting the final paperwork all shuffled to Argo, Salyer Taylor and all the other players. They got the redline drawings, so they are working on the as builds to get those finalized so they can close this project out. Nothing really major on the punch list, there is a couple valves that popped up that didn't get put in and they are already ordered and they are going to be put in this week. Some minor clean up, touch up, hole patch, that kind of stuff. Its in Argo's court right now, they are finalizing all the paperwork, getting drawings done and they will get the final paperwork generated to close this one out.

Mike asked if there were any other question of Jake?

Gary said on the RCFFO building, I saw the bill came through from Salyer Taylor for part of that. Is that complete?

Jake said yes, the chiller project is 100% complete, it is back on line. There is an issue on the other side of that unit. Salyer Taylor said that is not as critical right now because the way that unit works is the B side of the unit is going to do all the work now to catch up the hours, to try to maintain the same hours per side of that unit. Its very minimal, it is a small sensor, but he has to pull the whole system down on that side to replace that sensor. He said it would probably be best to wait until next spring to look at that and let the other side of that machine catch up on hours. But that project is working, it is back in business. When we switched over to heat finally, the

heat came on, the blowers we ran into where the expansion tank on the boilers, the blatter inside had a hole in it. We dealt with it a little bit last year, we got it pumped back up, it held for the season but over the summer sitting idle, it filled back up. That was an emergency repair, that had to be performed. On top of that we also had a pump leaking on the system, which is just common, when we fired things back up, it started dribbling a little, so those were also taken care of on the heat side. I am hoping HVAC on that building everything should be 100% now.

Gary said how bad was the temperature problem when we were down?

Jake said it wasn't bad, we really didn't have any complaints at all. When they done the repairs on the chiller unit, they waited until it was a little cooler than the 90's obviously we didn't want to take it down. I had to come in a handful of times to reset it, to keep it online in between the repair and that. They only took the unit down when they absolutely had to, they worked on it while it was running, until they had to shut it down, so it was only down maybe a half a day at a time, if they needed to.

Jake said on a different subject I actually had Kaleb Eely from Muncie Area Career Center contact me two weeks ago, they got a teacher lined up for the Adult Education. He is to meet with me Thursday of this week, he and the teacher want to inventory the class room and so forth and they want to get that program going real soon. They sent me some flyers to hang up on some bulletin boards, I gave Missy one to put on the Economic Development web site, so that program is getting ready to start back up soon.

Gary said are you putting them in the same place?

Jake said yes, they will be in the same class room, it is fully stocked just as they left it. There just hasn't been anybody in there. They were working on trying to get a teacher lined up, they finally got one.

Jake said is it my understanding that you guys are putting me on every meeting at 9:00am?

Gary said every other or something, if you would just come in for a while.

Jake said I have been at the past three meetings and I. What I do is I look at the agenda and if I see something, I am immediately here because I want to know what's going on. But, if I'm not on the agenda and there is nothing pertaining to me, then I don't show up. You guys can call, e-mail or text.

David Daly – Regarding use of Commissioner's room

David said I just wanted to have some dialogue and talk with you all for just a few minutes about some issues that I think have arisen in connections with using the room. Before I get to far down that road, about last week, I think I understand what brought this issue to a head, it was on a Friday morning and Mr. Brumfield was using this conference room and there was a scheduled meeting and I think it was PTABOA and it was a scheduled meeting and Mr. Brumfield was in here and it created a problem for that. So, I want to apologize for that and I know Jim you were there and I am sorry to the PTABOA people, I talked to Mr. Brumfield about it and he said I

didn't know there was a meeting going on. I didn't know there was a meeting going on either. But, that brought up a bigger problem about using this room on an ongoing basis. I got an e-mail from the Auditor's office that told me that I shouldn't be doing that and she doesn't want us to be doing that because there are scheduled meetings. I wanted to step back a little bit, Mr. Brumfield, normally over years has used a small meeting room right across the hall from the Child Advocate's office. There is a table in there that is not much bigger than this table, maybe a little wider, but when there is only one or two people in there it's not that bad, but some times on Friday mornings the hallway is full of people and sometimes he meets with more than one person in there, when you get more than one person in a meeting in that room because of Covid-19 it's really not a desirable setting. Those are not his clients that he meets with, they are party opponents, they are people who are not paying their child support. That is why he is in there. Carlton is working on collecting and enforcing child support orders, he does that on behalf of our community, he does that on behalf of the state. What I am asking for you folks to do, is I don't want a resolution or anything, but I am asking please that you allow him to use this room if and contingent upon there being nothing else scheduled on Friday mornings and if it is as simple as us calling down to the Auditor's office every Friday morning before we start the court sessions, we can call down and ask the Auditor's office is there anybody scheduled for meetings this morning in the Commissioner's room, if there is, we'll stay out of everyone's way, but on the Friday's where there is nothing scheduled, I am asking that you folks just say sure, you can use the room. You can spread out in here, people aren't sitting on top of each other. That is why I am here, first of all to say I'm sorry that we created a problem, I am trying to work around those kinds of issues in the future and if the room is available still allow Carlton to use it without having get previous, we can just call down on Friday and say if it is empty can we use it. That is why I'm here, just to talk about this.

Tom said I think maybe once a month they have somebody scheduled, to use the room.

Angela said I know right now there are maybe six Friday's taken already for the rest of the year.

Gary said can any of those be adjusted?

Angela said the wellness is in here, so that one we have to do in here. One of them is PTABOA, how many were in your PTABOA Jimmy?

Jim Nunez said five.

Gary said are they always on Friday?

Jim said just once a year. We will not have any more until next year.

Mike said at this point, I would suggest to just follow the recommendation of Dave, if he is okay to call down to the Auditor's office and say is the room scheduled and they say yes, it is at 10:00 am, then Carlton knows he has it from 9 to 10 or if it's scheduled at 11:00 am then you have it from 9 to 11:00 am. If your willing to do that I don't see that to be a problem, I think we have operated a long time without officially knowing. I have been here on Friday and I had seen an attorney in here doing their work, spread out at this table and it was her home away from home

but nobody was using the room, so it was available. It only becomes a conflict as you said, I don't know if we would be having this conversation, had it been handled a little differently last Friday.

Dave said to me it is a simple fix to just call down on Friday morning and we will do that every Friday. Some Friday's I ran the calendars for the next few Friday's and most Friday's are not that heavy anyway, so it is probably not a big deal for Carlton to not use this room but there is one day where there is like five pages of court calendar for hearings all set on Friday mornings and a lot of those involve him. So, there is going to be a lot of people and then the attorney's kind of compete for rooms too because the other rooms are even smaller than the one he uses. If that is okay with you guys and Angie, if you could say something to Laura, we will just call down on Friday mornings.

Mike said I think that is the way to go at this point in time and if it becomes an issue because of Covid, and I don't know are both Courts in session on Friday?

Dave said no, Circuit not only has the domestic relations, but it also has all the paternities and that is where a lot of it is.

Mike said is it possible to use the Superior Court room for meetings?

Dave said I will check into that.

Mike said if it is not being used.

Dave said Circuit court kind of chased us out of there because they have hearings that are off and on, on Friday mornings.

Gary said on the Friday that you are talking about being potentially busy, can we just possibly schedule that ahead of time?

Dave said I can say something to the Auditor about it being busy on that Friday.

Gary said possibly adjust the other people, if there is somebody scheduled, adjust that to another date.

Dave said I appreciate that Gary but I really, I'm not trying to chase anyone out.

Mike said I don't think we should reinvent the wheel on this, I think if Dave is willing to do that and if it's taken.

Gary said it is kind of short notice if he is calling on Friday and he needs it on Friday.

Mike said he can go down and check the calendar anytime he wants. I think your suggestion is going to be the best at this time and if it becomes more difficult we may have to readjust what we do.

Jim Nunez – WCCPC Thanks

Mike said it seems like you had a pretty good crowd out there.

Jim said WCCPC would like to thank all the Commissioner's for this year's event because it was very successful with everyone's cooperation. It was a little strange but we improvised, we had a food court, we had a game court, we had a craft court, then we had an entertainment court and this was the vision of Erol Klem and it was very well used. The entertainment court, we had a lot of people around that south corridor over here and I'm sure that Erol didn't really figure it that way, but it was, there was people all over that south end on Friday night. The entertainment, the music, the sound, the collaboration as he called it the gathering of people and they were gathered around on that south court. People wearing mask and entertainment of all kinds. We had the community gathered together. Everybody listened to music, everybody talked and just making memories for our 74th annual Mardi Gras. Of course, we kiddingly called it the Mini Gras because it was small. We just wanted to thank the Commissioner's for letting us have it this year with the grounds and stuff and everybody had a good time. Just a little foot note that next year, Mardi Gras will be 75 years. With the vaccine, Covid and everything, it will be bigger, better next year. Next years Mardi Gras will be October 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th for 2021 and we will be celebrating 75 years. I got a lot of phone calls a couple weeks ago and I kiddingly said that were going to try and bring back confetti. We had a lot of fun and a lot of these kids had a lot of good memories.

Mike said we appreciate what you do for the Community and what WCCPC does for the Community.

Chris Shaneyfelt – Vacation Carry over

Chris said I sent an e-mail regarding my, at the time 16 hours of left-over vacation that I didn't want to lose. I should gain my new vacation today.

Mike said we have done this already with other people, so I don't know why we wouldn't do it for Chris.

Gary made a motion to grant the 16-hour vacation carry over. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Bob McCoy and Joe Sheets, City of Winchester – Renewal of Animal Control Contract

Mike said we received a copy of the proposed contract which indicated it is the same one we are in now. \$45,000.00 per year.

Joe said the only thing that changed on there was the date, I believe that is what Mayor McCoy said.

Mike said as far as I know from the County perspective it has been working pretty well. I have not received any concerns or complaints animal control.

Gary said I think it has improved, we have gone in the right direction with it and the city has done quite a bit to improve the facility.

Joe said we have made a lot of changes this year even, we have remodeled the bathroom, we had an electrician out there bringing everything up to code, like it is supposed to be. The other major change that happened this year was the city approve a full-time employee at the shelter which helps tremendous because even with a part time person it was hard for me to keep up. Knowing that we have somebody at the shelter Monday through Friday, she even works, I am going to brag on her because she works seven days a week most of the time. That has been a huge blessing for us and we couldn't do it without the partnership of the county. We are just seeking the renewal of the contract.

Tom made a motion to renew the animal control contract with the City of Winchester for the sum of \$45,000.00 per year for 2021, 2022 and 2023. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Debi Wymer & Wendy McDavid Covid testing clinic location

Mike said the lease for the Covid testing, Debi and Wendy are not coming this morning but by the direction of the attorney, I did go ahead and sign that lease and send it back to St Vincent, it gave us 120 days' notice, either party can terminate giving 120 days' notice, other than that the terms of the lease are what we reviewed at our last meeting. I need to get confirmation of my action in signing that lease outside of a public meeting, so if someone can move to confirm what I did.

Tom made a motion to confirm the signing of the lease with St Vincent by the President of the Commissioner's for the Covid testing clinic. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said I was in that building after a meeting I had over at the food pantry and there is possibility of if it gets really cold of putting in a plexiglass small area there and put little heat if somebody has to be out there for a period of an hour or half hour. There is room to do that if we elect to. If they find out it is going to be necessary.

Mike said I will pass that on. I presume it is working pretty well as we discussed in our last meeting, they reached out to me this morning and asked if they needed to be here and I indicated that for the lease they did not need to be. I suspect if they had any concerns they would have wanted to come in and share those.

Other Business:

Council update – Missy Williams

Mike asked Missy do you have anything to share this morning?

Missy said just one thing in our last meeting the school superintendents all five of them appeared and asked for consideration on the LIT tax that we were going to increase. All five of them expressed that with students doing some home schooling, that they have lost revenue already and loss of revenue from the LIT tax would drastically hurt their budgets for next year.

Mike asked if anyone had any questions of Missy?

Ken Hendrickson, Randolph County Sheriff

Mike asked Chief Deputy Hendrickson do you have any Sheriff's business?

Ken said no.

Regular Claims \$542,129.68

Gary made a motion to approve the regular claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Corrected Payroll Claims \$207,688.25

Mike said this a corrected payroll claim for the 9th day of October and an EMS employee was left off. The corrected amount is \$207,688.25.

Gary made a motion to approve the corrected payroll claim as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Payroll Claims \$ 204,510.86

Gary made a motion to approve the payroll claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Economic Development Claim \$24,833.33

Gary made a motion to approve the Economic Development claim as presented. Mike seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Cripe claim 8/2/19 \$1276.55

Cripe claim 9/3/19 \$932.20

Cripe claim 12/31/19 \$222.98

Cripe Settlement Agreement

Mike said we have been tabling the Cripe claims and to my knowledge we have not received anymore activity on any of those claims, I would recommend that we continue to table them.

Gary said are we going to address this somehow?

Mike said we are waiting to see what kind of restocking charge we get on that generator and we have not received that yet.

Tom said Danny Stamper told me he is getting a bill for that, he has just ignored it waiting on a phone call.

Mike said from?

Tom said Evapar I think, he bought three generators since ours from Evapar so he is hoping it will just go away. They still do send him a bill for that but no one has ever called and inquired why it hasn't been paid.

Mike said nobody has ever billed us for it either.

Gary said for how much?

Tom said I think he said it was for the full amount \$37,000.00 and they agreed to half. I assume the are billing him for the full amount until they hear something from us. He is just letting it ride for now.

Gary said the bill he has into us includes all that except the restocking fee. But he backed out of wanting to pay any part of it.

Tom said he didn't want to pay the \$6,000.00 of the \$18,500.00.

Gary said is he approaching Cripe then to pay him?

Tom said no he hasn't approached Cripe, he has just been ignoring it right now. Until someone calls him. I think he is hoping it will just go away because he has bought three other generators from them.

Mike said we are basically holding these claims and the Cripe settlement agreement until we get a bill for the generator and until we do our past practice has been just let these ride and table them again.

Gary said we have been doing that since a year ago September.

Mike said August, Cripe doesn't seem to concerned about them either. Frankly I think they would just be happy to get out from under this, with just having to lose this much.

Gary said I would hope so, but I would like to get it off the books.

Mike said do you want to table these?

Gary said yes, with my perspective contacting them to see if they are going to do anything.

Mike said they are willing to pay 1/3 of the restocking charge.

Gary said I know.

Mike said but that is all and we don't think we should pay more than 1/3 of the restocking charge.

Gary said we've made a proposal to them and they have not made a counter, they have not even addressed to my knowledge.

Mike said I believe they said that they would not pay any more than 1/3.

Gary said okay.

Mike said it is Thor Construction that is not going to pay their 1/3 which means a small amount in limbo but until we let it play out, I don't think we are responsible for the entire restocking charge.

Gary said I agree.

Mike said until we get a bill for the restocking charge, I would say we are not responsible for any of it.

Gary said I don't disagree with that.

Mike said we may not get a bill and if ultimately Danny Stamper says they've waived the restocking charge then we can deal with the three Cripe claims and pay them accordingly or not pay them because of other reasons. So, do you want to table those as well as the Cripe settlement agreement.

Tom made a motion to table the three Cripe claims and the Cripe settlement agreement. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Thor Construction Claim \$218,545.87

Mike said the Thor Construction claim, which is the final claim on the highway garage.

Tom said I think it is time to pay it, I've enquired about Oscar Lawrence ate part of the bill for that lightning strike surge and they paid 2/3's of it and Mike paid \$2,000.00 out of his budget, so that is taken care of. I checked with the electrician and we didn't have surge protection because it wasn't in the plan and it is not required to be in a plan. I asked Carrol Electric to give us a quote on putting surge protection in there which I haven't received yet. Basically, everything else is done. I have had calls from some of the other people that finished their part of the project so, I think it is time to settle the retainage.

Mike asked if that is a motion.

Tom said made a motion to pay the final Thor Construction claim in the amount of \$218,545.87 which completed the payment of the contract to Thor Construction for the Highway Garage. Gary said I will second.

Angela said it does clean out the bond and there is not enough in the bond to make this payment.

Mike said how much is not in the bond?

Angela said the balance of the bond is \$167,131.00. We will actually have \$1,450.00 put back in that because BNY Melon took some money out of our account erroneously.

Gary said Angela asked for a total print out, it showed up that we had paid out of our bond for some of Shelby Counties material.

Mike said we need to come up with \$49,963.92, is that what you figured?

Angela said there is \$108,000.00 in a fund that we have now for the sell of the county grounds, I just wanted to let you know that we have that, I just need to know where you want to make the rest of the payment from.

Mike said what happens if we ask Council to take \$50,000.00 out of Cum Cap, that means the bond fund would still have money in it.

Angela said the fund that we have here?

Mike said yes.

Angela said you are wanting to clean out the BNY Melon fund?

Mike said I would think we would.

Gary said you are saying pay all that's left in the bond and then the other come out of Cum Cap?

Mike said we have to find it somewhere. If we use Cum Cap then it is subject to Council approving that. That is an appropriate Cum Cap expense. Is that what we want to do.

Gary said if we are going to pay the bill then I think Cum Cap is the most logical place to take from.

Mike said I don't think Mike has highway funds. So, I would recommend Cum Cap. Do you want to make that part of your motion? Do you want to make it part of your second?

Tom said yes.

Gary said yes.

Mike said all in favor of the motion signify by saying aye. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Kleinpeter Grant Admin Svc agreement

Mike said Kleinpeter grant administration service agreement. Missy do you know anything about this?

Missy said no.

Mike said we are going to have to table that if you recall we have a service agreement with them and it calls for a higher fee than what was agreed to. I don't think that has changed, I have not

received any e-mail from Ceann or anyone else to define that any differently. So, we are going to table that.

Care Act Reimbursement Request

Mike said the Cares Act Reimbursement request.

Angela said that is it, it is the final.

Mike said that is it what?

Angela said on what we can have from the Cares Act. That is the payroll that was turned in.

Mike said this is \$790,000.00 worth of payroll.

Angela said that finishes out the grant, what has already been committed for body scanner, etc. some items for the Sheriff's department, that has not been taken out of there, that will be deposited into our cares fund and when they have the equipment and you sign off on it, we will pay for it out of there. The balance must be returned to general where it came out of.

Mike said I see that, isn't that what our resolution a little later is regarding?

Angela said correct.

Mike said we have a Cares Act claim in the amount of \$790,232.01 which leaves us available funds of zero.

Tom made a motion to approve the Cares Act Reimbursement request as presented. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Resolution 2020-19 Reimbursement of Payroll

Mike said that brings us to our Resolution 2020-19 which authorizes us to do what Angela just described doing. Basically, we submit the payroll cost, we get reimbursed for, those become a claim for the Cares Act and that reimbursement goes back into the Cares Act fund that we can draw on locally. This is a resolution to provide the reimbursement of the public health and public safety payroll cost with cares act funding. We all received a copy of this via e-mail and basically it says that Cares Act reimbursement for public health and public safety payroll shall be receipted into Randolph County Cares act fund, therefore instead of moving expenditures from the originated fund to the Cares fund a claim shall be created against the Cares Act fund for the amount up to the payroll reimbursement amount that Randolph County determines shall be receipted into general fund. This claim must be supported by public health and or public payroll costs, which we did and have been expensed in the general fund or appropriate funds and clearly documented. The money claimed shall be receipted into the general fund after the payroll reimbursement amount has been receipted into the general fund then normal appropriation procedures shall apply to the expenditures of reimbursement amount. All of which his adopted this 19 day of October. As I understand it from reading the correspondence this is actually direction of state board of accounts to keep everything according to their audit procedures. I will

entertain a motion to pass Resolution 2020-19 a resolution to provide that the reimbursement of public health and public safety payroll cost with Cares Act funding.

RESOLUTION 2020-19

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT
OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFTEY PAYROLL
COSTS WITH CARES ACT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners is seeking reimbursement of public health and public safety payroll costs as allowed through federal CARES Act funding, which has been received by Randolph County from the Indiana Finance Authority; and

WHEREAS, there has been designated by Randolph County a CARES Act grant fund through which such reimbursements are received; and

WHEREAS, under normal procedures, the payroll expenditure activity for public health and public safety payroll costs would be captured in the CARES Act grant fund by transferring the expenditures from the fund from which the expenditures were originally made; and

WHEREAS in light of the Governor's public health emergency, an alternative process is being implemented to transfer all or a portion, as determined appropriate by the governing body of Randolph County of the reimbursed federal CARES Act monies that are specific to public health and/or public safety payroll costs into the general fund; and

WHEREAS the process contemplated herein is intended to allow for maximum usage of these funds.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Randolph County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the following alternative process in order to utilize CARES Act funding to properly pay public health and public safety payroll costs:

The CARES Act reimbursement for public health and public safety payroll shall be received into Randolph County CARES Act fund.

Thereafter, instead of moving expenditures from the originating fund to the CARES fund, a claim shall be created against the CARES Act fund for the amount, up to the payroll reimbursement amount, that Randolph County determines shall be received into the general fund. This claim must be supported by the public health and/or public safety payroll costs that have been expensed from the general fund or other appropriate funds and clearly documented in the records of Randolph County.

The money claimed shall be received into the general fund.

After the payroll reimbursement amount has been received into the general fund, the normal appropriation procedures shall apply to the expenditure of the reimbursement amount.

Tom made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-19. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Minutes of July 24 and August 3

Mike said our July 24th meeting was a special meeting in which we considered the solar ordinance and the passage of that solar ordinance. We all received a copy of these minutes via e-mail. Are there any question, additions or deletions regarding these minutes?

Tom made a motion to approve the July 24, 2020 minutes as presented. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said our August 3rd meeting, an executive session.

Gary made a motion to approve the August 3, 2020 minutes. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Monthly Report

Mike asked are there any question or comments regarding the treasurer's monthly report?

Gary made a motion to accept the treasurer's monthly report. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

2021 Holiday Schedule

Mike said the 2021 Holiday schedule which we received a few weeks ago. I trust everyone has had opportunity to review it. It pretty much runs the same as last year, except for election day. So, it is New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Jr day, Presidents day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Eve and Christmas day. With Christmas falling on a Saturday, Christmas day will be celebrated on Monday the 27th. Any questions or concerns.

Gary made a motion to approve the 2021 Holiday schedule as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Flood insurance Rate map

Mike asked Ed do you have any comments on the flood insurance rate map?

Ed said not really, that is Randy's deal.

Mike said as I understand it, it has very little to do with Randolph County, this portion of it is mostly Wayne and it touches the very southern tip of Randolph County. As Randy had indicated to me, there are no homes in the area that it touches. Randy has on behalf of the Area Planning Commission signed the document and it has signature places for Wayne County, Fayette County and various towns within Wayne County and we are being asked to sign on behalf of Randolph County. Were basically saying that we find the completed or proposed project meet or is designed to meet all of the community flood plain management requirements including the requirement for what is placed in regulatory flood way. With all necessary federal, state and

local permits have been or in the case of conditional will be obtained for the conditional request that have been documented and endangered species. Basically, we are signing that we agree with their determination that this section of Randolph County, down by the Wayne County line, is appropriately designated in this flood plain. As I indicated Randy has already signed off on it, he agrees with it. So, he in a sense has recommended that we sign as well.

Gary made a motion to accept and sign the flood plain as designated. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Angela Lowe

Angela said I will be handing out the Commissioner's yearly nepotism policy, if you would fill those out and return them to the Auditor's office. One for each of you. I have permanent minutes. Also, an amended road agreement.

Mike said this is an amended and restated second one and Meeks sent out an e-mail on Friday that said that he did not have an opportunity to review this amendment yet and recommended that we not act on it. So, I would recommend that we table this until our next meeting.

Gary made a motion to table the Amended Road Agreement. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tom Chalfant

Tom said we had a lease with Dan Allen, did Meeks give that to you Tom?

Tom Cockerill said he did not.

Tom said I thought he was ready to give us a lease, Dan agreed.

Mike said he told me it would be available this week. I think it calls for 20 years. He sent us a picture of what we were leasing and it looked like what we were leasing. The terms were the same as the prospective covenant unless they conflicted with the sell of the property. But I have not seen the lease.

Gary said so, if we decide to sell that front land to somebody in the future, that is written into the lease that we can do so?

Mike said I don't know that.

Gary said that is what concerns me, I don't see that we would do that but somebody in the future might want to sell that land in front those barns. If we can't get out of that for 20 years, that seems like a restriction that we should not put on that.

Mike said maybe that line needs to be drawn, splitting that area in half. But then we would have to mow it.

Tom said I would leave it all in there and then have an option that we could sell that.

Gary said right, I don't have a reason to take it out, I think we should leave it in there but have the option.

Mike said I don't know if the lease provides for that or not. We will just make sure that the lease does provide for that. Tom can you relay that to Meeks?

Tom said yes.

Mike said I think he knows what we are talking about. It is just the frontage area of the barns. Highway frontage.

Gary Girton

Gary Girton said I told you before that Josh Sheppard was interested and willing to care for the two governor's busts and the doughboy. He has done that at no cost to the county and I thought we should thank him for doing so. He said he would continue to do that next year as long as he is here because he said it really helps to maintain those, if you do them on a yearly basis they are not so hard to do, it is just a matter of a quick cleaning and a waxing or sealing. If that is agreeable then I will contact him and tell him to go ahead and do that. I think we need to send them a note for volunteering. I am going to talk to him to see if possibly we could get a lift truck, could we hire him to do the same to the statute that we just had completely redone, if he could clean it and seal wax that one and pay him for that.

Mike said do you want to prepare that thank you note and we will sign it at our next meeting?

Gary said I can.

Mike Wickersham

Mike said the only other item I have is the Veterans Service Officer as I understand it we had one applicant and this was the time that we were going to close applicants so, I would suggest that we probably should interview that applicant. I have reached out to Mike Kennedy, Mike served in that VSO office for over a decade, 16-years if I recall and I think he would be a valuable asset to serve on that interview, if we interview with two of us, we are going to have to have an executive session to do that. If we interview with one and Mike Kennedy, we would not need to have an executive session. Either way, I have asked Mike to participate, because I am not going to participate, I will leave it to you two to determine whether or not you want to have an executive session or not.

Gary said I think so.

Mike said I think Mike Kennedy is pretty well available so, do you want to try and set a date now for that or do you want to reach out to the candidate.

Gary said I think it would be better if we contacted the candidate, then we can have Laura or Angela put notice in the paper of an executive session.

Mike said do you want to reach out to the candidate.

Gary said I can if you give me the information.

Mike said Laura sent the application out a few weeks ago.

Gary said I have it.

Mike said you can reach out to him and set up a time?

Gary said yes, and I will let Laura or Angela know.

Citizen Comments

None

Adjournment

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Reviewed and signed this 1 day of February, 2021.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Jim Helpert

Gary

Laura J Martin

ATTEST: Laura J Martin, Auditor of Randolph County