

Randolph County Commissioners

February 1, 2021

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: Tom Chalfant and Gary Girton. Also present was Randolph County Auditor Laura J Martin, Sheriff Art Moystner and County Attorney Meeks Cockerill.

Tom Chalfant, Vice President presided over the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Debbie Preston – Board of Finance

Debbie said I have given you an agenda, the report of investments and the investment policy that has to be signed. Nothing has changed on that. I have also given you the list of depositories that we can use. On Trust Indiana I showed you how much we had earned in interest which is not a lot, nothing is paying right now.

Tom said we will start with election of secretary and chairman of the board of finance.

Gary said I will nominate Mike Wickersham to continue as the Board of Finance Chairman. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said I will nominate Tom Chalfant as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Finance. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Gary said I will nominate Debbie Preston as the secretary of the Board of Finance. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tom said next we will have a review of the 2020 investments.

Debbie said we only have two and that is Trust Indiana and First Merchants. We have \$18,000,000 in Trust Indiana and \$2,000,000.00 in First Merchants. Like I said they are not paying a lot but I have checked around and these are the best by far.

Tom said any questions of Debbie.

Gary said no, there are not many places you can put it to earn anything.

Debbie said not right now.

Gary said even if you really shop around.

Debbie said hopefully this year it will turn around.

Tom said do you have any revisions to the investment policy.

Debbie said no, I have reviewed it and it is basically what we have to have by state codes.

Tom made a motion to adopt the investment policy as presented. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tom said we need to appoint representatives to handle the funds.

Debbie said yes.

Gary made a motion to appoint Debbie Preston, Treasurer and Laura Martin, Auditor to handle the funds for Randolph County. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tom said we need to review the designated depositories, are there any changes to these?

Debbie said we added Northwest in place of Mutual but we no longer have any funds in Northwest at this time.

Tom asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the list of depositories or the list of approved depositories from the State of Indiana?

Debbie said not at this time.

Tom asked Debbie if she wanted to highlight anything.

Debbie said Trust Indiana paid off last year, but this year, it is just not really doing much. But like I said none of them are really paying. Even CD's are not paying anymore than money markets. With Trust Indiana if we put it in today and we need to pull it out, we can pull it out within 24 hours. That is all I have.

Tom asked if anyone else has any business to come before the Board of Finance?

Gary made a motion to adjourn the Board of Finance meeting. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris Shaneyfelt – E911 floor replacement, Certificate of Compliance, Resolution 2021-3

Chris said when we started the Communications project, the funding, the replacement of all the furniture and things, we hired a gentleman to come in and attempt to repair or strip the flooring. After he came in and looked at the floor, it is not repairable or stripped. I have a quote from Fuller who makes floors for dispatch centers and to replace our flooring it is \$14,800.00 and that includes their labor to take it all out, new gaskets and seals and then lay the new floor. It is not in the contingencies of the project so we need to look at using CCD funds or something along that line to pay for that.

Tom said is this concrete, is it a wood floor?

Chris said it is like chip board that sits in metal trays, then it has 24 x 24 tile pieces in it.

Tom said how wide of room is this?

Chris said it's our dispatch center, I can't give you the exact measurements.

Tom said it is 155 wood panels, so that are two-foot square each, so that would be 600 and some square feet.

Chris said it will also redo the bathroom floor.

Gary said why we are doing all this other work, we need to do it right. I am glad they realized that was an issue before we got ready to put the new equipment in.

Gary made a motion to approve the quote from Fuller for new flooring in E911 dispatch in the amount of \$14,800.00 to be paid from Cum Cap. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris said the certificate of compliance is to close out the federal 911 grant that we got that updated our GIS data base. All that work is done, it was finished the end of December, there haven't been any bugs, so we are at the point where we can certify that it is done. I have to turn that form in along with our reimbursement paperwork, so we can get reimbursed.

Gary made a motion to approve the certificate of compliance as presented for the E911 grant and authorize Tom Chalfant to sign on behalf of the Commissioners. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris said Resolution 2020-3 involves turning the trailers over to surplus so the RACES unit that I have can take those.

RESOLUTION 2021-3

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY OF
RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA,
AS UNNEEDED, AND
TO BE CONSIDERED SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR DISPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Randolph County Board of Commissioners ("Board")
is empowered to declare unneeded property to be surplus property; and

WHEREAS, the Board may authorize the disposal of surplus property pursuant to
IC 5-22-22 *et seq.*;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board that:

1. Pursuant to IC 5-22-22-8, the items listed on Exhibit "A", attached hereto, shall be considered to be surplus and worthless property ("Property") for purposes of disposal.

2. The value of the property is less than the estimated costs of the sale and transportation of the property.

3. The Property may be sold at public or private sale, and the Board shall allow the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management of Randolph County to sell or otherwise dispose of the Property.

4. Proceeds from the sale of the items set forth in Exhibit "A", shall be placed in the fund from which the item was purchased. If no fund can be identified for a particular item, the proceeds shall be placed in the General Fund.

5. If the Property fails to sell at public or private sale it may be demolished or scrapped, or, if hazardous, be disposed of for recycling.

6. The Property may be removed from the Randolph County Indiana fixed asset inventory.

Trailer VIN#: 4X4TCKC205P094712

Year: 2005

Make: Forest River

Trailer VIN#: 4V0TC32246B007864

Year: 2006

Make: Forest River

EXHIBIT "A"

Tom said does the county have contents in those, do they have value, are they just going to go with the trailers?

Chris said they were just going to go with the trailers, we only paid \$500.00 for the trailer, it is not worth trying to sell them or anything. The RACES group thought they might be able to do a little bit with them. Some of the other things that are in them, like the generator and stuff like that we obviously will keep.

Gary made a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-03 as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Todd Longfellow and Rex Burk – Regarding cell towers

Todd said we were at the zoning meeting a couple weeks ago, there is an independent company that wants to put a cell tower on Hwy 227 about a mile north of Greenville Pike. We have concerns that the health-related issues, like everything that comes around in time they start finding things wrong or potential problems and there is enough research out there depending on who you talk to, some people say there's no problems all the way to all kinds of problems. All the neighbors in the area that were contacted about putting it on their land, they all turned them down except the one farmer from Ohio. That is a wide range, so it is not specific to that location from what we can tell.

Tom asked do you know who is going to build this tower?

Rex said I was contacted in April of last year, my son and I have around 400 acres, they contacted us and at first, we considered it until we started doing some research and then we turned them down. At that time, it was AT&T. Nobody seems to know anything about if this is still AT&T or not. Two weeks ago, I noticed a truck parked on my property down the road from my house so I went down there and it was a gentleman doing a survey and I asked him and he had no idea who it was for or if he did he wouldn't tell me. At that time, we were contacted by AT&T.

Todd said I was contacted by a company out of Illinois that wanted to know if I could put it on my 5 acres which it wouldn't fit. They have already surveyed and marked the spot.

Rex said after we turned them down, my cousin who lives in California, he called me and said there is going to be a cell tower go up. I asked, he is a health conscience guy and wouldn't want to do anything to hurt anybody, I said have you checked on what they are saying about these cell towers, they are saying that they are putting out a high amount of radiation, so we called the guy and had a conference call and they told him there wouldn't be anything like that. Finally, she came out and I should have recorded it but I didn't, she said you are alright if you stay 1000 or 2000 feet away. She said if you are around that constantly she said it could cause problems. They are finding, I have a gentleman that raises a new breed of health conscience cattle, low fat, low cholesterol and the cattle he raises there, they are finding problems with still born calves and with humans they are finding more and more problems all the time. Like Todd said if you believe everything you read on the internet and I don't but there is more and more stuff out there all the time. Our concern, especially if it is going 300 feet from residential property. There is a lot of recommendation by different states 1/3 to 1/2 mile away from residential properties. We don't even have any idea of who it is.

Tom said I would assume they would have to make themselves known before, they will have to have a permit to build a tower. I am assuming that would all come out. What are you proposing, do you have a proposal for us?

Todd said one of the things, based on what some places are recommending on how far it should be from a building of any nature. A couple have said 1/4 mile and some said 1/3 of a mile, I was wondering if we could get the ordinance changed. Right now, it says if they are putting a tower up within 8 miles, they have to co-locate. That is one thing that may stop this one from coming

in but I think even though this is out in the country, there is a lot of area out there, if we could change the ordinance put a distance from where people live.

Tom said this is the county that says that they have to co-locate.

Todd said our ordinance right now says within 8 miles.

Tom said maybe you should have Randy help clarify this, could you come up Randy?

Randy Abel said the co-location is within 8 miles in agricultural area. All they have to prove is that the owner of the other tower won't rent to them or it is too expensive or for some reason they won't get the coverage that they need. If they can prove all they are saying on the co-locations is that it can't be done, then they are permitted to have the tower. A tower over 300 feet requires a special exception. State law on special exceptions is like four considerations and one of them is that it needs to meet the comprehensive plan, one of them has to do with health safety and welfare, the other one is it fits the area that it is in, so you don't want to factor it in the middle of a residential setting, it has to fit that area and the final one is that there can't be any negative effects on adjacent property values. I think the one that would fit their concerns is probably the property value and the health safety and welfare.

Rex said the property that it would be closest to is probably going to sell, the lady passed away and the daughter said it is going to sell.

Tom said what is the set back from property lines and residence?

Randy said currently it is height of the tower plus 50 feet, is our setbacks. I don't know what research they have but I would say you would probably need some kind of research saying how it affects health and the distance it takes not to do that. This is going to be more and more of an issue as 5G starts to come around.

Rex said I was reading last night that they are finding more problems with 5G.

Todd said the property values at the zoning meeting we had, one thing that came up when talking about cell towers, it was the Pennsylvania realtors did a survey of a little over 1000 people and they said 79% would not buy or rent within blocks of a tower and 94% were less interested or would pay less for that property if they decided to be within that area. I am not worried about the property value right now as much as I am the health concerns.

Tom said do you have opinions from medical people about cell towers.

Todd said I handed to Randy the other night, some of the places. I can get you a copy of it. I looked up American Cancer Society, there is one called Radiation Health Risks, there is German Research study and they have found new cases of cancer, a Fox news report. If you see some of these places that they are saying are safe, you find out that they may be funded by people that are interested in that side. You find people on both sides of the argument.

Rex said my question is, the county has to look at where your liability falls as far as I have a gentleman that raises high priced cattle there and sells the bull calves, they are having problems with, he sells them for breeding, they are having problems with them breeding, they are not breeding and he started selling a \$10,000.00 bull to somebody and its sterile then it is going to hurt him. Healthwise too, where is our county liability stand.

Meeks said that would be the cell tower people.

Rex said that is what I am asking, would it be the cell tower, the land owner.

Meeks said you would have to prove it. Randy, the last couple of these ordinances originated with you and then they came to the county. This seems like it is going the opposite way, I am just asking, I wasn't at the meeting.

Randy said any amendment I think needs to be probably from the Commissioner's, that is where the basic approval is going to be. That is where it lands.

Meeks said eventually.

Randy said it saves a lot of steps if we can come to the Commissioner's first. If they propose an amendment or somebody like these two gentlemen present an amendment that is agreeable to the Commissioner's then it goes through a lot quicker.

Tom said have you had any other complaints or problems with the setbacks?

Randy said not to date. I can't think of when the last one went in. I guess there is one going in behind the county barn.

Todd said the company that contacted me, it wasn't tied to Verizon or AT&T, it was an independent that could rent to anybody and I know that is in competition with what the county planned and what they are trying to do with infrastructure and broadband and everything else too. My request is to see if we can change the ordinance and add 1/3 of a mile for any new things.

Tom said that is a big step from 250 or 300 feet which is what they are now. I would have to think about this and see a lot of information. What do you think Gary?

Gary said has anyone applied for a permit to build?

Randy said no one has applied yet. In most locations I would guess increasing that some wouldn't really stop anybody. You would probably have to have a longer lane.

Gary said I would suggest since you are the representative of Area Plan, you sit down with them and modify the ordinance that you think is going to be applicable to everybody and put in a lot of discussion and then come back to the Commissioner's because that is standard the way it goes, it comes back here for approval. Anything can be put in it, come up with what you think is going

to be applicable to everybody and then see if the other two Commissioner's besides Tom agree with it. Once something is presented then we would know, right now we are just throwing things around, its hard for me to take a position until I know what we are talking about and understanding the research that is put into the positive and the negative issues. Since nobody has applied for a permit, we can meet and decide.

Rex said I would rather it not go in at all, but if it is going to go in, I want it to be at a safe distance.

Gary said I understand and if we can come up with what we think is going to be beneficial and helpful for the place its being located.

Rex said there are some fact I don't know about but I have a medical implant, I can't even go through an airport.

Gary said that is my recommendation.

Todd said we need to get more information?

Gary said whatever you want to include in your discussion. You need to have an Area Plan committee meeting and make your recommendation back to the Commissioners.

Mike Haffner- Opening Bids for Community Crossing Grant, Utility Agreement and Road Equipment

Meeks opened bids, the first one is from Brooks Construction Company and is \$893,925.00. The next one is Milestone \$895,325.00. They have each of the four projects priced out separately.

Tom said we will let Mike take those under advisement.

Mike said I will look at them really quick.

Tom said do you want to go over the utility agreement and road equipment now.

Meeks said when do the Community Crossings need to be done?

Mike said I can take a look at them.

Meeks said when are the supposed to be awarded?

Mike said I think we have until the end of February.

Meeks said so you could take them until the next meeting?

Mike said I could but theoretically we have done business with both.

Tom said we will finish up this and then you can look at them and if you have time to come back. That would work out.

Mike said the utility agreement is located at 400 N and is just a repair.

Tom said do you recommend this?

Mike said I do recommend it.

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

Mike said on the road equipment, I had a short meeting with Mr. Wickersham about several things, mostly bridges he ask the question and I need to confirm it with Meeks, when we're trading equipment and simply updating equipment, we don't need to declare that surplus, we just get bids on a trade in value.

Meeks said yes or a sell value.

Mike said basically we want to update our own broach broom sweeper and I've got quotes for updating that, I've got basically a quote from South Eastern to go with a superior broom, that quote came in for the least amount at \$55,500.00. That is the trade in difference. We've also got a quote from Brand Dyes in Indianapolis that carries the Broach at \$56,821.00 and then Brand Dyes as well on a Rosco brand at \$64,121.00 and we went and looked at all three of these and we like the superior from South Eastern which happens to be the low quote anyway. So, that is what we're recommending there.

Gary said that is with a trade in.

Mike said that is trading the existing Broach broom in on a new broom.

Gary said that is your recommendation?

Mike said yes.

Tom said is that all the road equipment?

Mike said no, I've got a few. The next item is the City of Winchester loaned us their trailer hot box, it's the cold mix trailer. We have our in a big dump truck and it is hard to get in and out and it is pretty old. We have had some workman's comp situations from people getting in and out. Winchester loaned us that for a two-week period and we got along wonderfully with that, plus you just pull up with a pick up and my opinion it is easier to travel over the roads, we are getting with the windmill and the solar projects a lot of pot holes where I need to start putting multiple crews out there. Budget wise this would be just a straight-out type of purchase, we are looking into possibly declaring the old one surplus but the City of Farmland actually would like to think about buying that off of us. Anyway, South Eastern was the low quote on a 4-ton trailer, asphalt

that is heated with diesel fuel at \$29,020.00. That is the one I am recommending. Seal Master has a Falcon model in Indianapolis at \$32,312.80. Brown Equipment this is the same Spaulding model that that city of Winchester has, they are in Evansville, that quote is \$32,075.00. Again, we have looked at everything and we liked the K&M model at South Eastern for \$29,020.00. That is what I am recommending on that piece of equipment. These are the two pieces we want to purchase. We have long talked about updating our pickups, I've got a bunch of quotes on pickups, I would like to maybe sit down with you Tom and maybe bring that to the next Commissioner meeting.

Tom said is this all out of your budget?

Mike said yes, this is all coming out of our MVH equipment purchase line. There are plenty of funds in there.

Gary said the hot box you have you said is in a?

Mike said the hot box we have now, it's an electric unit that we have to plug in, it is very inefficient, by the time you unplug it and get that out on the road it gets cold again and then the mix doesn't stick in the hole because it is not hot.

Tom said you say Farmland is possibly interested in it?

Mike said Farmland is possibly wanting it.

Gary said if you can't market it, is it still serviceable to put another crew into it if needed.

Mike said yes, it is still serviceable and I can put a second crew into it to run out of.

Gary said unless we can get adequate money out of it, it looks to me like we are better off to keep it if it's serviceable.

Mike said yes, it's just the trailers.

Gary said I understand what you're saying.

Mike said I would love to maybe next year, if this trailer works out maybe get rid of it and possibly update it with a second trailer type. Right now, it is one of those things that is useful to us and I hate to get rid of it.

Gary made a motion to approve the purchase of the broom for \$55,500.00, the Superior and the 4-ton trailer hot box, South Eastern for \$29,020.00. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said I have information, J & K Communications came out and took a look at our radio equipment and they are recommending antenna and co-axel fence, they would like to know as soon as possible whether that is a go ahead because it would be far cheaper to put the antenna

and coax as they erect the tower than to do it later. I talked to Ted and he said there could possible be funds left over so it might not be any expense but that is unknown right now. They just need approval basically to order that so we can get it on.

Tom said do you have money in your budget for that?

Mike said I have money in my budget, we could cover that if there are no funds available. He thought there would be but we have funds in our line if needed. They came out and looked at our repeater and matched the antenna.

Tom said it would probably be good to deal with the same people that we are dealing with the equipment on. It makes sense if they could do that all together.

Mike said that was their recommendation and it is just over \$5,000.00. They needed to know as soon as possible.

Gary said what are you working off of now the old tower?

Mike said yes. I am working off of the old tower right now. But, our communications greatly reduced since we are so far away and our tracker system is not operating.

Tom said you can't track trucks?

Mike said right now, we can't track. Once we get that tower at our facility. It shows the truck, but sometimes there is a pretty good lag.

Gary said if you got the funds to cover that if there are no other funds, we definitely need to move that, I know we've talked about that. I will move approval of the quote from J&K Communications for \$5,235.60. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Randy Abel – Nuisance abatement, truck proposal

Randy said I have another proposal for a truck like we did two years ago. Basically, it comes out to the same price \$1,805.00.

Tom said was that other truck three years old that you traded?

Randy said no, I trade every two. That way the warranty is not quite gone. Which is 30,000 miles and I have 26,000 or 27,000 miles on it.

Tom said the Enterprise people mentioned that Chevrolets were trading better, I assume you have inquired on what we could do there.

Randy said no, we haven't, for the trade in I'm sure that Fuqua is, he's not local but he's in Dunkirk but he lives in Randolph County.

Gary said it is probably as good a deal as we can get right now. Trucks are high for trade in. I will move approval.

Tom said I will second. All aye votes. Motion carried. Tom asked do you have funds for this in your budget?

Randy said no, I will need to go to Council, they told me during the budget hearings to come back.

Gary said this is approved contingent on Council funding. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tom said the nuisance abatement is moving forward.

Randy said yes. I don't think we even have to act on that now, because it is being taken care of. If it doesn't happen I will be back.

Other Business:

Art Moystner, Randolph County Sheriff

Art said we have a 2016 Charger that is having engine problems, we are getting a new Durango, the company would not take it in trade, I am looking for permission to contact Andy Wagner to see if he would auction that for the county. That is probably the simplest from my stand point to keep everything nice and clean and if he is not willing to do that or doesn't think we can get anything out of it then I would like to send a letter out to the four or five wrecker companies that we have in our rotation to see if any of them are interested so that they could send me a bid and we could just sell it to the highest. I would like to go with Wagner as the first option.

Tom said it doesn't run now?

Art said it does run, it has a lifter going out and it is not worth having it fixed. I think we are going to be better off to not keep pouring money into it. We will make them aware of the issue with it but I am asking permission to be able to auction that.

Meeks said you can talk to him and if he says yes, get me the description of what you are selling.

Gary said is the security system complete, they are asking for the final payment.

Art said it is installed and it is working well, they have completed it, we are working out some bugs with it but we have a one-year agreement with them anyway to be able to continue to do that or make some changes within the internal workings of it.

Gary said you are recommending w pay the retainer?

Art said I am. I also have a gentleman coming tomorrow that is going to look at some of the physical locks on the doors with the new system, there are some sensors that are probably going to need replaced that are showing the door as secure or unsecure, I don't know that we have done

that before but he's going to come look at the locks, there is four or five of them that I am going to have him go ahead and fix and then we are going to see how exactly we can work our way through the building so that all the locks are getting serviced and realigned so they work properly. I will have an update for you in two weeks on how that goes, he was supposed to be here this morning but because of weather he wasn't able to be here.

Regular Claims \$443,400.04

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

Payroll Claims \$220,379.57

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

JRDS Claim \$7,500.00

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

JRDS OCRA Claim \$13,810.50

Muhlenkamp Bldg. Corp \$109,747.84

Gary made a motion to approve the two JRDS/Muhlenkamp OCRA grant claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

SJCA Claim \$26,712.00

Tom said this is a claim to SJCA who was hired by EDPR.

Angela said we have already received this payment from EDPR.

Gary made a motion to approve the SJCA inspection for EDPR. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Thor Construction Claim \$12,500.00

Tom said this is a Thor Construction claim where we are paying \$6,000.00 and we received \$6,500.00 from Cripe and Thor has already settled the claim for the generator restocking fee.

Gary made a motion to approve the Thor Claim in the amount of \$12,500.00. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Tarter Realty Claim \$1400.00

Hanlin Real Estate Claim \$1400.00

Tom said these claims are for the appraisals for the two curves on the wind farm project.

Gary said what is the next step?

Tom said we will need to approach the owners and tell them this is what we can pay you for it and hopefully they will agree to that.

Meeks said are you going to talk to them.

Tom said yes, I will talk to them.

Meeks said I will get an easement together if you want to go take to them.

Tom said I will see if they want to sell it to us for that and then we need to decide where to pay for it from. I would be fine with taking it out of windfarm money, I think that would be appropriate.

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

Security Automation Systems Claim \$23,225.00

Security Automation Systems Claim \$33,470.00

Tom said these claims are what we talked to the Sheriff about and the Sheriff recommended that we approve these.

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

Cobalt Civil \$3285.00

Cobalt Civil \$11,922.91

Cobalt Civil \$55,507.70

Tom said we have three Cobalt Civil claims that are related to the communications project, is that right Angela?

Gary said the one is for Union Cities project.

Angela said they sent in another invoice where they marked out the word Union City, we have paid previous money on the broadband sites unfortunately, I did not catch, but we have paid broadband money out.

Gary said what is this one for?

Angela said all for the fencing, the civil work.

Gary said what is the \$55,000 for Union City?

Angela said the \$55,507.79 for Union City is for civil work.

Gary said for what.

Angela said they sent in a new invoice on Friday and they marked out the word Union City.

Gary said we are not paying anything on broadband.

Angela said we are not paying broadband this time, we paid broadband previously.

Gary said to who Cobalt?

Angela said we paid \$27,000.00 to MPX, \$73,000.00 to Cobalt for civil work and \$19,000.00 to Cobalt for fencing, we paid \$134,0000 for tower steel.

Tom said is that for the three big towers?

Angela said I just received an invoice that said broadband for the MPX tower steel, one was \$63,000.00 and one was \$27,000.00, they were all put together on one invoice.

Gary said we are not going to get those towers.

Angela said if it is your wish for me to bring it to Council. I need to pay back the broadband.

Gary said the only thing we could have possibly paid for broadband is for some of the steel. There has been no civil work done by Cobalt.

Angela said they marked that out but I have paid MPX \$27,000.00 for broadband.

Chris said there hasn't been any broadband work done.

Gary said they may have gotten that much for Union Cities tower but I wouldn't have thought the concrete would have been that much for Union City.

Chris said the last time I talked to them I told them the Union City tower is completely different for us, they are on their own separate grant.

Gary said they are on a grant but we they come under our bid, we give them our prices.

Tom said we need to have a sit down.

Chris said there was a sit down on Friday, did Mike tell you about that?

Tom said no.

Chris said there was a sit down on Friday between Pyramid and Mike. They had an hour-long discussion. Basically, what it boils down to, what the contracts was, you guys are only purchasing the tower steel and anything else beyond that comes through REDC.

Gary said I never heard any of that.

Meeks said they called me last week and ask me to get a hold of Mike.

Gary said I have called and asked for information but I haven't gotten any.

Mike met with them on Friday at 1:00 pm at the jail. We had other meetings that day.

Tom said do you want to put those on hold Gary?

Gary said yes, because I don't know what they would be billing anything on for Cobalt because the only thing they got is the excavation and the land restoration once they excavate, put up the concrete and then the fencing. That is their bid for broadband.

Chris said they did that at the south site and central site, they are putting up towers today.

Gary said yes, but that is on the communication towers. One of these payments if on broadband and we haven't done anything on them, we don't even have any broadband sites yet, so there can't be a request for payment. I would table the Cobalt.

Angela said the fencing is only for the Communication sites, the fencing invoice.

Laura said it does say alternate one for broadband sites right on it.

Angela said does it.

Laura said it is not marked out, it is added to the total.

Gary said I don't know what Mike worked out, so I don't have no idea where we are at.

Tom said apparently Todd is not coming.

Gary said I will make a motion to table the Cobalt invoices until we find out. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Dispatch Products \$22,500.00

Chris said this is for the furniture in the dispatch center and it is here and waiting on the floor to get taken care off so they can start putting it in.

Gary made a motion to approve the claim for Dispatch Products as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

J&K Communications \$1,141.14

Gary made a motion to approve the J&K claim as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

MPX Solutions \$15,771.00

MPX Solutions \$4,500.00

MPX Solutions \$50,000.00

Tom ask are the MPX Solution in the amount of \$15,771.00, \$4,500.00 and \$50,000 are those all related to the Communications or are they related to broadband?

Angela said \$15,771.00 is concrete for the PCPSC, the \$4,500.00 is for tower installation for PSC and the \$50,000.00 is tower steel for PSC, there is no broadband mentioned in those.

Gary said all three of these show it is PSC, we are taking their word for it. I will move approval of these three claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Pyramid Consulting \$123,882.98

Tom asked if this is all related to the communications project.

Gary said I tried to figure it out but I'm not sure.

Tom said it would be good to have Terry or Todd here to answer questions.

Gary said do you know Angela off hand where we are with payment to them?

Angela said I looked at that on Friday and I think we are down to about \$16,000.00 on Pyramids contract.

Gary said after we pay this?

Angela said correct.

Tom said that is a lot to be paid without anything having gone up.

Angela said Pyramid has a lot of other bills with it, he has his services and I believe he had some boring, I don't have that in front of me.

Gary said it says lodging and travel, materials, testing, soil boring, prefabricated shelters \$99,000.00.

Tom said is that for three shelters, do you know?

Chris said yes.

Tom said those are the three buildings that house all the equipment at the three communication towers.

Chris said yes.

Laura asked Angela if she thought the Pyramid was all for the three communication sites?

Angela said she did.

Laura said that is what it looks like to me, I just wanted to make sure you agreed.

Tom asked Chris are all three pads poured?

Chris said yes, rebar is all in place, it has been backfilled. The Deerfield site they are starting to build the tower there, the electrician showed up last week, that is all been taken care of. All we are waiting on now is to get those towers in the air is getting the electricity in place. We can't stack them without electricity because of the height.

Tom said they won't build them and then set them up.

Chris said they are built right now in sections and they will stack them up. When we start doing the flooring and the furniture in place, J&K will come down and start putting the new radio's in right away, we are not going to wait on the towers.

Gary said I don't like this being down to \$16,000.00.

Tom said that is basically 5%.

Gary made a motion to pay Pyramid \$107,882.98 which is for materials that they have purchased, we are still a long way from having those towers up and them overseeing that all that work is done. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Minutes of October 19, November 2, November 16 & December 2, 2020

Gary made a motion to approve all four sets of minutes as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Covid test site Memorandum of agreements (3)

Tom said there are three Covid test site memorandum of agreements. Tom said are these with the hospital?

Laura said these are contract employees for the Covid test site.

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

Resolution 2021-2 – Covid19 Phase 3

Tom said Resolution 2021-2 Covid 19 Phase 2, do you want to explain that to us Laura?

Laura said Greg Beumer is applying for a grant for the YMCA through OCRA for not for profit childcare facilities. There are two in Randolph County. The YMCA and Kidztown.

RESOLUTION 2021-2

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION SUBMISSION AND LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT

RESOLUTION OF RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF THE COVID-19 PHASE 3 APPLICATION TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS AND ADDRESSING RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, Randolph County, Indiana recognizes the need to stimulate growth and to maintain a sound economy within its corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, Randolph County, Indiana has conducted or will conduct public hearings prior to the submission of an application to the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs, said public hearings to assess the housing, public facilities and economic needs of its low- and moderate-income residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Randolph County, Indiana that:

1. The County Commissioner President is authorized to prepare and submit an application for grant funding to address funding assistance for 3 licensed not-for-profit daycare facilities, and to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
2. Randolph County, Indiana hereby commits the requisite local funds in the amount of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000), in the form of YMCA Funds, as matching funds for said program, such commitment to be contingent upon receipt of COVID-19 Phase 3 funding from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs.

Gary made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-2 as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Comp time reports

Tom asked Gary do you have any comments on the comp time report?

Gary said no, that is the November one, we don't know what the December is?

Indiana Michigan Easement

Tom said I assume you talked to Max Jennings and you understand.

Gary said I understand what is going on and it is fine with me. I will move approval of the Indiana Michigan Easement as requested. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Redevelopment Commission Appointment

Tom said we need an appointment for the Redevelopment Commission appointment.

Meeks said they don't meet too often, so you wouldn't need to get someone right away. How often do you meet Laura?

Laura said usually about 4 times a year. Probably April will be our next meeting.

Tom said we will table this until next meeting.

Public Records Requests

Meeks said I have Mike's and I talked to Tom about it, so Gary after the meeting you need to get with Laura and me to make sure we have everything.

Appraisal's for straightening of roads

Tom said appraisals for straightening the roads, we have talked a little bit about this. I will approach the land owners with the appraisals. Do we average the two appraisals?

Meeks said you can offer them either the high one or offer an average.

Gary said I would start out with an average, you have a little lead way to negotiate.

EDIT Meeting request - Winchester

Tom said we need to set a date for an EDIT meeting for the City of Winchester.

Laura said we need at least a couple of weeks so I can get it advertised.

Tom said February 10th at 6:00 pm.

Additional Appropriations:

Randolph County Drug Free Community

Prevention Education	\$2,895.73
Treatment	\$2,895.58
Criminal Justice	\$2,895.58
Discretionary fund	\$2,895.58

Bob McCoy said that is just the money that comes into the Courts for grants through Drug Free Randolph County.

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

EDIT

Housing Study	\$2,500.00
East IN Planning Budget Reduction	-\$2,500.00
Willow Ridge Housing Project Grant	\$100,000.00
Willow Ridge Housing Project Loan	\$50,000:00

Gary made a motion to approve the additional appropriations for EDIT as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike Haffner, Community Crossings Bid Recommendation

Mike said I have looked both of the bids over and Brooks is the low bid and all their documents seem to be in order. I would recommend them.

Tom said what is this project. Do you want to go over it?

Mike said this is for the Community Crossings project. It is a series of a few roads, 300 E from Union City Pike down to 32 to finish that leg out. Old 27 S from the City limits to the highway and 900 W from St Rd 32 to 400 N and then 400 N from 900 W over to 1000 W.

Gary made a motion to award the bid to Brooks Construction in the amount of \$893,925.00 for the Community Crossings grant. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments

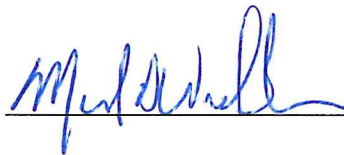
None

Adjournment

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

Reviewed and signed this 15 day of March, 2021.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS







ATTEST: 

Laura J Martin, Auditor of Randolph County