

Board of Commissioners Meeting

06-7-2021

Present: Dennis Henderson, Tracey Powell, and Nancy Cline

Other Present: Dick Klein, Steve Brown, David Kroll, Tyler Juranovich, Chad Huff, Jim Ankrum, Mark Regnier, Chuck Bell

The meeting was opened with prayer by Reverend Steve Brown of the Normanda Christian Church and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Payroll – Crystal Worthy

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve payroll, check date June 11, 2021, in the amount of \$183,840.94. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Claims – Katy Kramer

Motion by Commissioner Powell to approve miscellaneous claims for docket date June 7, 2021, in the net amount of \$243,240.32. Second by Commissioner Cline. Motion carries.

Highway- Superintendent Bret Morris

Highway Superintendent Morris stated that the signage for the Courthouse ramp as well as replacement signage concerning skateboarding had been installed. They are re-sealing the stone spots that had been ripped up for repair. They should have everything re-sealed within a week.

Engineer – Phil Beer –

Motion by Commissioner Cline to accept the bid from Ratio Architects for the old jail assessment, in the amount of \$10,000. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Powell to approve the contract with ATC Group for landfill monitoring services, not to exceed \$35,045.00. Second by Commissioner Cline. Motion carries.

Sheriff – Tony Frawley

Sheriff Frawley reported that the quote that he received for the sidewalk was higher than expected. He will get another quote. He said that the temperature at the east employee door had reached 161 degrees. He has had a second company look at the sally port floor.

He suggested cancelling the contract with Johnson Controls for monitoring the old jail fire suppression as the electric supply to the panel has been terminated.

He requested an executive session for June 21, 2021 at 8am to discuss adding a second Courthouse security officer.

Historical Society – Jill Curnutt-Howerton and Gae Matchett

Director Jill Curnutt-Howerton stated that the storage capacity of the current building has been fully utilized to the point of being non-compliant with fire regulations. There is no private office space. They are interested in using part of the old jail building. She stated that the City has expressed interest in purchasing the building to use as a park department office. They have cataloged 38,000 court records. Historic Landmarks may provide a grant to assist with repurposing the old jail. There also may be state or federal grants, as well.

Food Truck Thursday – Main Street Association – Amanda Baird

Motion by Commissioner Cline to grant the request of the Main Street Association to use the Courthouse lawn and restrooms on Thursday, June 17, 2021, from 5pm to 8pm. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Plan Commission – Request Order to Appear – Judy coker

Motion by Commissioner Cline for Plan Commission to issue an order to appear, on a code violation, on June 21, 2021, to the owner of the property located at 728 E. State Road 28. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Pork Festival – Tabled to June 21, 2021

Minutes for May 25, 2021, and Memoranda of Executive Sessions for May 17, 24, and June 3, 2021

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve the Minutes for May 25, 2021, and Memoranda of Executive Sessions for May 17, 24, and June 3, 2021. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Public Comment:

The commissioners entertained comments from the public.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to close public comment. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Commissioner Powell stated that there is state funding available on a district level for projects dealing with blight, waste water, drinking water, etc. Deadline is July 1, 2021. He suggested forming a committee of key people representing the schools, Board of Commissioners, County Council, City, towns, townships.

He requested that “Committee Reports” be added to future agendas.

He also suggested an ARPA administrative assistant with HR specialty.

Commissioner Cline stated that the County needs someone to be a Community Development person who could double as an assistant.

County Attorney Regnier stated that the West Elwood project is moving forward. Commissioner Henderson stated that the County may only have to spend \$300,000 and have a \$50,000 fund to use only in the case of customer non-payment of monthly sewer bills.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to adjourn the meeting. Second by Commissioner Powell. Motion carries.

Approved this 21st of June, 2021

Dennis Henderson, President

Tracy Powell, Vice President

Nancy Cline, Commissioner

Attest:

Gregg A. Townsend, Tipton County Auditor
Respectfully submitted by Gregg A. Townsend