

Board of Commissioners

Meeting

10-12-2021

Present: Dennis Henderson, Nancy Cline Absent: Tracey Powell,

Other Present: David Krall, Charles McNally, Kegan Schmicker, Eugene R. Balensiefer, Jim Ankrum

The meeting was opened with prayer by Commissioner Cline and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Payroll – Crystal Worthy

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve payroll, check date October 15, 2021, in the amount of \$185,950.07. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion Carries.

Claims – Katy Kramer

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve transfer of \$2,760.00 from General Commissioners Drainage Assessment (1000.38000.000.0068) to Juvenile/Adult Care & Housing (1000.37700.000.0068) to pay claims. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve an early docket , in the amount of \$1,250.00 to US Bank for bond administration fees out of Fund 9200. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve an early docket , in the amount of \$386.20 to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security for the elevator certificate.. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve miscellaneous claims for docket date October 12, 2021, in the net amount of \$496.583.80. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Travel Policy Update

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve the 2021 amended travel policy with department heads to acknowledge receipt. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Virtual Meetings Review – Tabled to the next meeting.

Ambulance Service Contract

Motion by Commissioner Cline to table to the next meeting.

Highway- Superintendent

Kreigh Smith, on behalf of Highway Superintendent Morris requested permission to purchase a 2022 Ford SuperDuty F-550 DRXL dump truck, at a cost of \$75,689, through Sourcewell.

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve the request to purchase a 2022 Ford SuperDuty F-550 dump truck for the Highway Department. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

Engineer – Phil Beer – Report received electronically.

Sheriff – Tony Frawley

The sheriff reported that the sally port floor was finished. He ordered a canopy over the East entrance and the sidewalk connection will be postponed until Spring. He reported that the jail inspection was completed last week, with no issues. The report will be available soon.

Broadband Study

There is a meeting scheduled at the Foundation on October 25, 2021, at 2pm.

Ratio – Jail Study

A representative from Ratio reviewed that jail feasibility report. Cost estimate for renovation is \$1.8 to \$2 Million. The next step is to develop a schematic design to help narrow down cost.

Health Department Flooring

Ann Cox obtained quotes from Degler Flooring: \$8,456 for vinyl, and \$6,348.40 for carpet squares. Motion by Commissioner Cline to accept the bid for \$6,348.40 from Degler Flooring.

Employee Covid Response – Tabled to next meeting

Minutes for September 27, 2021

Motion by Commissioner Cline to approve the minutes for September 27, 2021. Second by Commissioner Henderson. Motion carries.

American Elevator, Inc. – Charles McNally

Mr. McNally stated that he thought that they could retain the motor and change out the controllers and safety features. They may need to use a crane. He will provide a firm quote at the next meeting.

Shredder- tabled to the next meeting.

Public Comment

Kegan Schmicker of the Tipton Chamber of Commerce requested \$75,000 from the County's EDIT fund, to match a request made to the City, for a countywide marketing and branding project that would include a logo, advertising, letterhead, business cards, social media, billboards, a website, video ads, etc. He also reported that 23 people participated in the Chamber leadership program. The final session is next week. He announced a partnership with IU Health that could offer discounts to Chamber members. He stated that they are working on development of an e-commerce website for Chamber businesses, with one shopping cart for payment. He also stated that they are looking at downtown revitalization, facades, way-finding signage, as well as gateway signage.

Eugene Balenseifer reported that his wife has been attacked on three separate occasions, while jogging, by the same dog. He stated that pit bulls and Rottweilers are running loose in the county. He stated that there are 11 pit bulls in Kempton. He requested a county ordinance that addresses loose dogs. The County Auditor will send a copy of the existing ordinance to the Board of Commissioners and the County Attorney for review. Mr. Balenseifer suggested looking at the ordinance for the Town of Fowler for reference.

Mark Baird stated that the Foundation has drafted a county ordinance for abandoned vehicles. He stated that the big issue is enforcement. He will forward copies to the Board of Commissioners and the County Attorney for review.

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

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

Approved this 25th day of October, 2021

Dennis Henderson, President

Tracy Cline, Vice President

Nancy Cline, Commissioner

Attest:

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