

Board of Commissioners Meeting

2-19-2019

Present: James Mullins, Dennis Henderson, Mark Manier

Others Present: Steve Brown, Jim Leffler, Logan Westrick, Vicky Boyd, Brent Snow, Mark Regnier, Louis Savka, Jr.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Reverend Logan Westrick of the Ash Street Wesleyan Church and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Payroll – Crystal Worthy

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to approve payroll, check date February 22, 2019, in the amount of \$158,303.33. Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion Carries.

Claims – Katy Kramer

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to approve transfer of \$2,523.00 from General Commissioners Outside Professional Services (1000.31100.000.0068) to Security Uniforms/Equipment (1000.24002.000.0068). Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion carries.

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to approve miscellaneous claims for docket date February 19, 2019, in the amount of \$253,266.01. Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion carries.

Cell Phone Policy

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to allow no new cell phone equipment purchases from the Commissioners budget this year. Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion carries.

Highway- Bret Morris –

Superintendent Morris reported that the lease on the motor grader ends next month and that he intends to proceed with the purchase.

He also reported that Community Crossings Grant applications were re-submitted and they are waiting for word from INDOT.

He stated that the heavy traffic on 150S from SR28 to SR213 has caused tremendous damage to the road. He said that SR28 is open now that the railroad crossing project is finished.

He said that the Highway Department has been doing maintenance at the landfill and needs good weather to dig out pond B. He said the soil is too soft.

Engineer – Phil Beer – no report

Sheriff – Tony Frawley- no report

West Elwood – Louis Savka, Jr. - Triad Associates

Mr. Savka presented preliminary information on a proposed project to make 85 connections to a sewer line to Elwood for processing. Each property connection would have a small diameter grinder. Elwood would need to have an offsetting amount of surface water diverted in order to not affect their capacity. The project is estimated to cost \$1,476,802 plus capacity fees to Elwood. Connections would cost \$1,400 each, for a total of \$119,000. OCRA may be a source for a grant, or a 20 year loan from the State

Revolving Fund, at 2% interest. Sewer rates would be \$70/month. The next step is a town hall meeting with owners and an income survey to qualify for a grant. It is estimated to cost \$56,000 to get a 30 inch concrete tile prepared to take the surface water.

County Park Board – Tabled

Farmer’s Market – Vicky Warner – Tabled

Water Loop Agreement

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to approve the amended water loop agreement and to authorize President Mullins to sign. Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion carries.

Capital Improvement Plan for 2019

Motion by Commissioner Henderson to approve the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2019-2020. Second by Commissioner Manier. Motion carries.

Community Howard Regional Health

The Commissioners received a proposal from Four Counties. They will come back with a recommendation.

Minutes for February 4, 2019

Motion by Commissioner Manier to approve the minutes for February 4, 2019, reflecting Commissioner Henderson’s absence. Second by Commissioner Mullins. Motion carries.

County Attorney

Requests for proposals for County Attorney have been advertised. Responses are due to the County Auditor by March 1, 2019.

Public Comment -

The Commissioners entertained comments from the public.

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

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

Approved this 4th day of March, 2019

James Mullins, President

Dennis Henderson, Vice President

Mark Manier, Commissioner

Attest:

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