

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of the request to us the Peace Monument on the Courthouse lawn for the Memorial Day celebration on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Motion carried.

IN RE: CLERK

Clerk, Jim Voglewede, requested permission to hire a replacement for a person who recently accepted a job at the Sheriff's Department.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to grant permission to fill the vacated position. Motion carried.

Mr. Voglewede reported that his department has mailed out 2,300 ballots. This Friday is the last day they can be mailed out. Four years ago they had 9,000 voters and of them 100 ballots were mailed and 46% were early voters.

IN RE: ENVIRONMENTALIST

Environmentalist, Nathan Scherer, asked for approval to purchase a new truck which will be paid with existing grant money. This is from Tom Kelly through the QPA program in the amount of \$36,350.00. This is a 2020 Ford F-150 4x4 with a tow package and will have a bed liner. Mr. Scherer will look into getting signage and safety lights for the truck. Currently, Mr. Scherer has been driving his personal vehicle. They are going to a lot of jobsites and they have 100 more coming up once the project starts. Some jobsites they have to go to several times.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the truck purchase paid with grant money. Motion carried.

IN RE: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT – COVID-19

EMA Director, John August, updated the board on COVID-19 in Adams County.

### **Health Department Report**

Adams County now has 10 confirmed positive COVID-19 cases and 1 confirmed death. Indiana numbers as of Monday morning were 28,705 confirmed positive cases and 1,678 confirmed deaths. Contract tracing is being taken over by the state, so it will no longer be done on a local level. The Health Department will be able to sign on to the State's program to view the county information. The Health Clinic is open for shots.

### **EMA**

Mr. August said he received PPE 1.5 weeks ago from Homeland Security. These can only be used by the hospital, Fire Departments, Sheriff's Department, Police Departments and Community Corrections. He has PPE coming from Healthcare Coalition and he has been waiting five weeks now. He still does not know when this will arrive. He purchased N95 mask and gloves from a local supplier and they are waiting for them to be restocked. He has surgical masks ordered and they will be delivered tomorrow. He is working on consolidating ordering so we can get the best price. Adams Memorial Hospital has scheduled security. They use off duty officers and would like them through June.

Commissioner Rex Moore said he received an email today stating that Northeastern Indiana has spent over 319 million dollars due to Covid.

Mr. August asked IT Director, Mike Brown to use Ethan Snyder and Bob Hakes to replace the batteries in the sirens. He said he appreciated the help.

IN RE: COUNTY ATTORNEY

### **Request Vacation Waiver**

The request for a policy waiver to rollover scheduled vacations was submitted for approval; Public Defender, Sildain Atienzo.

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of Sildain Atienzo's 7.5-day request as the criteria was met and as long as the time is used by the end of the year. Motion carried.

### **IT**

County Attorney, Mark Burry, presented two invoices from Quest. One is for KACE Software in the amount of \$4,928.04 and this will increase the device licenses by 150. The second is for KACE mobile device manager in the amount of \$2,154.60. This would allow IT to manage cell phones and tablets. They will be able to install/remove software and do patches.

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, to approve payment of the above two invoices for the total amount of \$7,082.64 out of software maintenance. Motion carried.

Commissioner Moore said he had more invoices totaling \$47,172.05. This was work done in the courthouse for software, licensing, doors, and removing cable. IT needs to verify that this work was done as it was supposed to. They will check the funds in cum cap and cum court balances and bring this back next week.

Doug Bauman asked if IT will have enough funds in their budget so they do not have to pull funds from the cum funds. They discussed this and will need to speak to council to make sure they can budget enough funds.

Mr. Burry presented a Bond Bank Application for a 5-year lease in the amount of \$43,526.76. This is to replace the battery backup for computers and the health department battery backup for fridges. Mr. Burry has some questions and will get with the Treasurer.

The Adams County Board of Commissioners met May 19, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Adams County Service Complex. Present were Commissioners: Doug Bauman, Kim Fruechte, and Rex Moore; County Attorney, Mark Burry; and Chief Deputy Auditor, Kristy Stuckey. County Auditor, Mary Beery, was absent.

IN RE: MINUTES

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Adams County Board of Commissioners' Minutes for May 12, 2020.

IN RE: AUDITOR REPORT

**Health Insurance**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of the Allied Health Insurance funding renewal request for May 11, 2020, in the amount of \$10,905.44 (Medical \$10,905.44 & Pharmacy \$0.00). Motion carried.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for approval of payment for the June 2020 consulting fee with Shafley Plan Management in the amount of \$2,916.67. Motion carried.

There is currently a combined total of \$2,330,168.83 in the checking and reserve accounts.

**Workman's Compensation**

Upon a motion by Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, for approval of paying out of the regular claim cycle the claim to Eastern Alliance Insurance Company (Workman's Comp), in the amount of \$344.47. Motion carried.

**Council on Aging**

A letter from Council on Aging Director, Michelle Lengerich, was presented to update the board on events and expenses. The board tabled this and recommended that Mrs. Lengerich present this to the board.

IN RE: COUNTY ENGINEER REPORT

**Cumulative Bridge**

County Engineer, Tim Barkey, presented the contract for signature from VTF Excavation, LLC in the amount of \$87,010.00. This is for Culvert C-234 located on 350 W between Winchester Rd and US Highway 27. He also submitted the E-verify Affidavit, certificate of insurance, and performance bond.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to approve the contract from VTF Excavation, LLC in the amount of \$87,010.00. Motion carried.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**MVH/Local Road & Street**

Highway Superintendent, Brad Yoder, and Assistant Highway Superintendent, Jaron Brodbeck, presented the monthly MVH and Local Road & Street report to the Commissioners stating the MVH and the LRS funds have decreased from last year.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, to accept the May 2020 MVH and Local Road & Street report into record. Motion carried.

**Annual Report**

Mr. Yoder presented the Annual Operational Highway Report for 2019. The Commissioners tabled this for next week so they have time to review the report.

**Department**

Mr. Brodbeck said the department is mowing the side ditches and will start oiling the roads. They have put some signs out due to the rain. Mr. Yoder said they are getting ready for the busy season.

IN RE: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Building and Grounds Supervisor, Rick Burkhalter, reported he put freon in the air condition at Superior Court. This did not fix it and Meyers said the air conditioner needs the coils & sensor replaced. This will cost \$5,700.10 and will be paid out of 1000.35700.000.9600 equipment repair.

Upon a motion by Rex Moore, seconded by Kim Fruechte, for Meyers to replace the coils and sensor in the air condition at Superior Court in the amount of \$5,700.10. Motion carried.

IN RE: SHERIFF

Sheriff, Dan Mawhorr, reported that the three vehicles that he ordered to replace the three old ones, he is not sure when they will come in. The lobby will open up May 26<sup>th</sup> but they will not do finger printing due to the distancing of Covid-19. He is looking into the Cares Act. He would like to get UVA disinfection portable units. These can be used to disinfect cell units and other areas. If they get these, they will continue to do their normal cleaning. The cost per unit is \$15,000.

IN RE: AMERICAN LEGION

Veteran, Fritz Bultemeyer, spokesman for the American Legion Post #43, requested permission to use the Peace Monument on the Courthouse lawn for the Memorial Day celebration on May 25<sup>th</sup> starting at 11 a.m.

IN RE: ADJOURN

Upon a motion Kim Fruechte, seconded by Rex Moore, the meeting for May 19, 2020 was adjourned. Motion carried.

ATTEST: Mary B. Beery  
Mary B. Beery, Adams County Auditor

Kim A. Fruechte  
Kim A. Fruechte, Commissioner

Rex Moore  
Rex Moore, Commissioner

Douglas L. Bauman  
Douglas L. Bauman, Chairman