

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
March 19, 2018

The Grant County Board of Commissioner's met in regular session on March 19, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the Grant County Complex Council Chambers at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, IN.

In attendance were Commissioners Mike Burton, Mark Bardsley and Ron Mowery. Also present were Auditor Roger Bainbridge, Commissioner's Secretary T.C. Hull and Financial Deputy Patti Pyle.

Commissioner Burton called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.
Commissioner Bardsley led in prayer.
Commissioner Mowery led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Claims

Commissioner Bardsley stated we have the following items #10863, 10864 and 10865 which were preapproved last week and move their ratification. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bardsley listed the single items preapproved, Cardmember Services \$631.04 out of Veterans, \$3535.00 Purchase Power under Commissioners, Under Data Processing, Harris Computer Systems in the amount of \$3126.28 and Thompson Truck and Trailer in the amount of \$44,200.00 reference Highway Equipment and move their ratification as well. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Bardsley stated we have invoice edit reports for this week #10878, 10879 and 10877, and move their approval. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Minutes

Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve minutes from November 20, 2017 and December 4, 2017 as presented. Second from Commissioner Burton; motion carried 2-0.
Commissioner Mowery abstained.

Payroll

Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve current payroll. Second from Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0.

Communications and Board Updates (Elected Officials, Boards, Special Committees)

Auditor Roger Bainbridge reported that the abstract has been approved for 2017 pay 2018 year, and everything has been calculated and released to the Treasurer.

Treasurer Sarah Melford followed up to the Auditor stating all corrections have been made in the system and they will be doing the final quick proof tomorrow morning on the bills and they

will go to print. The last day we can legally mail by state statute is April 13th technically the 15th however that is Sunday, so it is backed up to Friday. We are ahead of schedule so they will be out before the 13th.

The Treasurer stated that she here for her annual request to set up the Express Lane out in the lobby for two weeks prior to the May 10th deadline so that will be April 30th to May 10th from 8am to 4pm and also the 2 Saturday's prior to deadline which would be April 28th and May 5th open from 10am to 2pm to receive tax payments.

Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve adding that it is such an asset to the public for someone to be down there to do this and answer questions. This motion was supported by Commissioner Bardsley and the motion carried 3-0.

Ms. Melford stated the next thing is they have been looking into Gov Tech Escrow Processing. a service to help with escrow billing and asked her Chief Deputy Tiffany Griffith to give an explanation who stated that it is a completely free service to the Treasurer's Office, this helps with mortgage lender processing. It is an annual contract and they checked with other counties using the service who highly recommended using them. Commissioner Burton explained before the commissioners would sign the agreement they would want attorney Kyle Persinger review it. Tiffany added that this will decrease phone traffic from lenders during collection time and should also see a decrease the amount of surplus payments received.

Maintenance Director-Vince Beneke explained the need for key access to be added to an elevator. The estimate is \$1500.00 and will be paid out of the appropriate budget.

Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve as presented. Second from Commissioner Bardsley; motion carried 3-0

IT Department

Kevin Hicks explained he was asked a few weeks ago to seek out a multi-year quote for the renewal of Red Sky, it is \$1800.00 annually and they will take of \$270.00 for a 3 year period. It will provide enhanced 911 services to the phones in the courthouse, community corrections and new phones going into the sheriff's department.

Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve the 3 year contract with Red Sky as presented. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Hicks explained they are in the process of upgrading the 911 equipment with AT&T this does not include but needs to include an update for the recording software. For a 5 year maintenance agreement which includes all updates software and hardware, if paid up front it is \$95,342.50 if paid out annually it is \$21,967.00. Commissioner Bardsley stated we may need to go annual on this and the appropriations discussed.

Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve a 1 year payment in regards to the recording equipment. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Highway Department

Superintendent David White stated he was able to purchase the Dump Trucks approved a few weeks ago with a savings of \$1400.00 per truck.

Mr. White stated they have been patching holes and have scheduled bridge cleaning in Marion next couple weeks.

Superintendent White submitted and discussed the list of roads to be paved this year with the Community Crossing Grant Funds and some not funded by the grant.

Mr. White explained the final bridge inspection was completed on bridge #73 Stone Road last Thursday so the final payment of approximately \$56,000 will come from the first half of the Community Crossing Grant then any unused funds will have to be returned to the State.

Mr. White stated he would like to set May 7th for the Liquid Asphalt & Paving Bid Opening for 2018. By consensus the Commissioners agreed.

- Public Hearing On Proposed Cumulative Bridge Fund

Commissioner Burton explained how during the Budget processing it was requested that the Commissioners reduce the Cumulative Bridge Fund by \$250,000.00 for 2018 and the Commissioners agreed to shift said funds to the General Fund for 1 year. Tammy Miller explained the process of reestablishing the rates for the 2019 Cumulative Bridge Fund by Ordinance.

Commissioners verified with Superintendent David White that this was agreeable for the 1 year, then for 2019 the funds would shift back to the Cumulative Bridge Fund. Commissioner Burton explained this would be the public hearing to where anyone for or against may speak. There were no speakers and Commissioner Burton closed the hearing stating after the passing of the Ordinance it would be published and there would be a 30 day Remonstrance and if anyone would oppose it that would be addressed at that time.

Commissioner Bardsley stated that the Commissioners did their best to assist the County Council in the budgetary needs but we cannot afford to allow deterioration of our Bridges. Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve Ordinance 2-2018 as presented. Second from Commissioner Mowery who added that the Council would be looking at various revenues and make some tough decisions in the next 12 months; motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Burton stated the Council also dipped into the E911 Fund to pay dispatchers for 2018 and the Commissioners advised the Council that again could only be for a 1 year period or the services that are funded by E911 in jeopardy. Commissioner Bardsley added that the City of Marion has not yet come before the Council with their request for matching funds for the Public Service Answering Point. Mr. Burton stated that the council was advised that if the County used funds for dispatchers the City could request the same.

Old Business

None

New Business

A. Regional Workforce Development Director-Update on Workforce Development in Grant County.

CEO, Kathleen Randolph explained the transition of operation from the Workforce Investment Act to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act which allowed a 2 year grace period for transition and put in place several recommendations/strategies one of which was to Grandfather the Boards of Directors. Dennis Banks was the Board Member who has retired from Star Bank and was the most engaged and highly effective member they have had however has completed his term on the Board of Directors. Ms. Randolph explained the nomination process and stated they are soliciting a nomination from the GM Stamping Plant; the nomination will close tomorrow and she will inform the Commissioners at that time. The Board Responsibilities and Requirements were discussed and they have met and exceeded every performance metric attached to the dollars that they receive. They are working with the State on establishing a Regional plan which they will email to the Commissioners. They provide Oversight of the WorkOne system. The Marion WorkOne certification was approved and is a Comprehensive full service WorkOne.

B. Transfer of Tax Sale Property-Herb Spitzer explained the proposed resolution to assign to the City of Marion 2 tax sale certificates for properties located at 1412 Euclid Ave.

Commissioner Mark Bardsley made a motion to approve Resolution 4-2018 as presented. Second from Commissioner Ron Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

Auditor, Roger Bainbridge inquired as to the start of the 120 notice requesting Mr. Spitzer to advise our office of said date.

C. Health Department-Approve Fees Ordinance Change-Tara Street explained it was determined at the February 21st Health Board meeting to obtain Commissioner Approval to raise the Birth and Death Certificate fees from \$10 to \$15 per copy. Advertising was discussed. Mrs. Street also requested for the Nursing Division to begin TB certification at a \$10 fee included in this Ordinance.

Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve Ordinance 3-2018 as discussed. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

D. Area Plan-Rezoning Request-Larry Strange presented a rezoning request at 1123 E 38th Street. Request is for JRB Cars, currently zoned west half I-1 which is Industrial and east half R-3 Multi & Single Residential. The request is to convert the zoning to GB-General Business. The APC recommended approval with exclusions.

Commissioner Burton asked if anyone wanted to speak to this request. No Comments
Commissioner Bardsley made a motion to approve General Ordinance 4-2018 an Ordinance to Amend Grant County Code Section 153 (Areawide Zoning Ordinance) Providing for the Effective Date Thereof. Second from Commissioner Mowery; motion carried 3-0.

E. Request to Vacate Road-Adam Young-Commissioner Burton verified with Area Plan Director Larry Strange that this request was withdrawn.

Public Comment

Laurel Chaelson Walter, 5891 W Walnut, Pennville IN 47369.

Here on behalf of her family on property at 2102 W Spencer Ave. She provided pictures and explained that her brother had received a bill from the City of Marion for Weeds for \$220.00. She explained she has kept up the taxes, bills and lawn service-the property has always been taken care of. Following discussion and history the Commissioners explained that we could not help regarding this however Commissioner Mowery contacted Jerry Foustnight at the City who agreed to meet with her if she would come to his office.

Commissioner Burton recessed the meeting at 3:13 pm.