

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY FEBRUARY 1, 2021

The Grant County Board of Commissioners' met in regular session on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. in the Grant County Complex Council Chambers at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, Indiana.

In attendance were Commissioner Mark Bardsley, Auditor Jim McWhirt, and County Administrator Justin Saathoff. Commissioner Ron Mowery via and Commissioner Mike Burton joined the meeting via WebEx as allowed by Governor Holcomb's state of emergency declaration due to the pandemic.

This Grant County Commissioners' meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Commissioner Bardsley. Prayer was led by Commissioner Bardsley. The prayer was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Auditor McWhirt. Commissioner Bardsley announced that the Governor has extended the state executive order until March 1st, 2021.

CLAIMS

Preapprovals: 1/25/2021 general - \$209,401.57, other - \$18,980.41, highway - \$183,482.64 = \$411,864.62. Also a single preapproval for Mike Anderson Dodge (CCD) in the amount of \$27,700.00. Commissioner Burton made a motion to ratify the preapprovals as presented. Seconded with support by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried.

2/1/2021 general - \$134,415.54, other - \$27,755.73, highway - \$180,144.64 = \$342,315.91. Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve payment as presented. Seconded with support by Commissioner Burton; motion carried.

PAYROLL

Payroll #2 was preapproved on 1/19/2021 in the amount of \$523,102.37. It was paid out on 1/22/2021. Commissioner Burton made a motion to ratify the preapproval for payroll #2. Seconded with support by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried.

MINUTES

Minutes for June 1st, June 15th, and July 6th (all of 2020) has been reviewed and corrected. Commissioner Burton made a motion to approve these minutes. Seconded with support by Commissioner Mowery; motion carried.

Receipt of Monthly Reports for Weights and Measures and the Clerk of the Circuit Court:

The Weights and Measures report of 12/16/2020 – 1/15/2021 and the Clerk of the Circuit Court report month ending 12/31/2020 were presented.

The reports were received by common consent as presented.

Communications & Board Updates (Elected Officials, Boards, special Committees)

None

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None

HIGHWAY- David White

- a. The year end report for the recycling center was presented. The recycling center had almost 13,000 customers in 2020. The center received 29 tons of combined plastic and 64 tons of cardboard for recycling.
- b. The contract for bridge #39 with United Consulting was presented. The total for the personal service agreement is \$163,920.00. This includes immediate start, design work, permits, and periodic inspections. Mr. White requested approval to proceed with the project. Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented. Seconded with support by Commissioner Burton; motion carried.
- c. The 38th Street bridge is completed. It was closed for one day and is now open.
- d. This winter, the Highway Department has used over 2200 gallons of fuel, 1500 tons of sand and salt, and a lot of man hours.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Central Dispatch Update - Michael Clayton, 911 Director
 - a. A training proposal was presented. There are two parts to the overall training. The first part is the lesson package with a total cost of \$2,475.00. The second part is for the supervisors' training, which is longer. The supervisors' training cost is \$1194.00. Mr. Clayton requested approval to pay for the training fund for this year. Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve the request as presented. Seconded with support by Commissioner Burton; motion carried.
 - b. The county recently experienced some site trunking for about two hours. This is the same issue that the county has seen for years. Unfortunately, this will continue to happen until the new towers are built and fully functional.
2. Drug Court Grant - Melissa Stephenson, Corrections Director

Grant County has been notified that it is a recipient for a grant in the amount of \$466,032.00. This will be received through the United States Department of Justice. This grant will help to enhancement services for clients. The grant period is for three years and it is approximately 1/3 of the total funding available each year. This is an enhancement grant. The purpose is to supplement services already provided. Commissioner Mowery made a motion to approve and sign the memorandum of understanding for the Grant County Drug Court grant from the DOJ, Seconded with support by Commissioner Burton; motion carried.
3. Proposal of Liability Coverage for 2021-2022 - Greg Lane, IMG

Liberty Mutual is the county's current carrier with the exception of workers' comp. The county's auto insurance is on a composite rate. The payroll has increased and workers' comp has decreased. The pandemic has created some obstacles this year. When Liberty Mutual does the audit, they have agreed that the people who stayed home will be reclassified. General property has increased and the towers were added. The only change recommended to the Board of Commissioners is the property package change to a \$5,000.00 deductible. There will be a savings of \$6,263.00 annually. Last year the county went through Chubb Cyber Liability. Commissioner Mowery made a motion to except and adopt as presented with the changes for

liability coverage through Liberty Mutual. Seconded with support by Commissioner Burton; motion carried. This is for the 2021-2022.

4. 1095-C Filing Proposal - Justin Saathoff, Administrator/HR
The cost is \$100.00 per employer and \$8.00 per form (employee). This includes the filing as required by the IRS and mailing it to the employees. The total cost is \$3,060.00. The Commissioners consented to move forward on this item.

5. FFCRA Policy Update - Justin Saathoff, Administrator/HR
Commissioner Bardsley recommended to continue the policy to March 1st, 2021. It was also recommended that any employee who has already used some of their days for COVID leave would only have the balance remaining out of the originally proposed ten days. If an employee has exceeded the ten day allowance, personal time must be used for absences. The Board of Commissioners consented to continue until March 1st, 2021.

PUBLIC

None

Regular Session was brought to recess by Commissioner Bardsley at 10:52 a.m. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 16th, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.