COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION May 15, 2023

The Grant County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on May 15, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. in the Grant County Complex Council Chambers located at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, IN.

In attendance were Commissioners Ron Stewart, Steve Wright, and Mark Bardsley. Also present were Auditor Angela Jarvis, County Administrator/HR Director Justin Saathoff, and Financials Deputy Stacey Stevens.

Commissioner Bardsley called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Commissioner Bardsley asked for a moment of silence. Today is National Police Officer Memorial Day remembrance. In 1962, Congress made a joint resolution and President JFK signed the law into action. A moment of silence for all officers who have died in the line of duty in the United States was requested. Pastor Brock Myer of Fairmount Friends Church led in prayer. Commissioner Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PREAPPROVED CLAIMS

May 8, 2023: General: \$192,782.44

Other: \$69,384.67 Highway: \$3,544.71 Election: \$15,767.00 TOTAL: \$281,478.82

Commissioner Wright made a motion to ratify the claim dockets as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Stewart; motion carried 3-0.

May 15, 2023 CLAIMS General: \$301,042.67

Other: \$127,208.19 Highway: \$23,474.65 Election: \$1,778.60 Total: \$453,504.11

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the claim dockets as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Stewart; motion carried 3-0.

PAYROLL

Payroll #10 carried a gross total of \$589,642.40. Formal preapproval was given on May 9, 2023 and paid out on May 12, 2023.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to formally ratify preapproved payroll #10 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Stewart; motion carried 3-0.

Minutes

Commissioner Steward made a motion to approve the minutes from 2-6-2023, 2-21-2023, 3-6-2023, 3-7-2023 (Special Session), and 3-27-2023 (Executive Session). Seconded by Commissioner Wright; motion carried 3-0.

Board Updates

EMA Director Bob Jackson gave an update on the tornado aftermath of March 31. FEMA is still involved at this point. Disaster recovery centers are still open at the YMCA through Wednesday. The public assistance reimbursement has been denied. The financial threshold was not met. With all agencies responding, the total initial cost is \$34,500.00.

IT Report

None

Highway Report

Superintendent David White presented 4 quotes of labor to finish the concrete at the new storage facility. The actual concrete has already been purchased. Bids included: CF Building at \$79,539.64, Dave's Excavating at \$145,978.00, Nottingham's Excavating at \$69,177.00, and Steve Kirkwood at \$78,500.00. The recommendation of Nottingham's Excavating at \$69,177.00 was presented. This does include steel as reinforcement for the concrete. Commissioner Wright made a motion to accept Nottingham's Excavating's price of \$69,177.00. Seconded by Commissioner Stewart; motion carried 3-0.

Superintendent White stated he has the advertisement set up for paving bids for June 5th for county road 200 S and Garthwaite road.

A Community Crossings grant was previously preapproved by Commissioner Bardsley. Superintendent White presented a draft stating for public record \$482,500.00 is to be used for roads and \$475,000.00 is to be used for a bridge project. Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the ratification. Seconded by Commissioner Wright; motion carried 3-0.

Superintendent White presented the Commissioners with a list of roads to chip seal and pave for 2023. He also stated that the final inspection on Bridge #10 is tomorrow. He further reported the bridge work on 950 E just north of Matthews should be completed by the end of this week.

An agreement for design work, right of way, and inspections with United for Bridge #84 was presented. This is the bridge going over the river on 38th street. The plan is to apply for the Community Crossings grant next year for this bridge. The agreement amount is not to exceed \$243,505.00. Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the agreement with United NTE \$243,505.00. Seconded by Commissioner Stewart; motion carried 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Sick Bank Policy - Nancy Bender, HR

Ms. Bender presented a brief overview of the volunteer sick bank donation policy. Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve the volunteer sick bank donation policy as presented. Second by Commissioner Wright; motion carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Presentation of ARPA Resolution Mark Bardsley, Commissioner This item was tabled until the next meeting.
- 2. BOT Procurement Resolution Mark Bardsley, Commissioner

Commissioner Bardsley read the resolution. This resolution allows Grant County to utilize the BOT (build, operate, transfer) procedure in construction and development. Commissioner Stewart made a motion to approve resolution 10-2023. Seconded by Commissioner Wright; motion carried 3-0.

- 3. Annual Certification, Contract Disclosure Justin Saathoff, Administrator Administrator Saathoff presented each Commissioner with their annual certification form for contract disclosure. Each Commissioner signed their respective form.
- 4. Annual Certification, Nepotism Justin Saathoff, Administrator Administrator Saathoff presented each Commissioner with their annual certification form for nepotism. Each Commissioner signed their respective form.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

The next scheduled meeting will be June 5, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Bardsley recessed the meeting at 10:40 a.m.