

RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE  
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE  
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA  
ON THE 20th DAY OF APRIL, 2021 at 9:00 am

Officials present: Commissioners Richard Dixon, Steve Hopper, and Marshal Noble. Also present, County Attorney JC Tucker and Auditor Lonnie Stroud.

Richard Dixon led in the pledge to the Flag and Auditor Stroud gave prayer.

Richard Dixon called meeting to order.

Motion to approve the minutes from April 6th meeting was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Carl Anderson, Orange County Highway Superintendent, reported on road work in all 3 districts. The County is expecting a release of information on the Community Crossing Grant soon. County wide clean up will be April 24<sup>th</sup> 8-noon. Carl requested to have the money collected for the Amish buggy registration appropriated to put toward crack sealing material. Motion to approve Carl to have the money collected for registration of the Amish buggies published for Council's consideration to be appropriated for crack sealing material was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Rick Emerick, County EMA, reported that he was moved to the county building on Hospital Road. Rick reported that he was in need of a printer and better connection to the internet. It may be possible to install an antenna to capture a signal from the Community Center. Carl reported that there may be internet available with REMC in the future for properties on Hospital Road and that would help Rick with the connection. Motion to allow Rick to purchase a printer and antennae for the property on Hospital Road from the Cum Cap fund equipment purchase line, not to exceed \$1,000 total, was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Marshall requested that Rick be conservative with the purchase of the printer. Rick reported that he was working on a mutual agreement with Washington County as well.

Frank Lynd, Maintenance Director, presented bids for various services for the Community Center and new property on Hospital Road. The bids included alarm monitoring and fire extinguisher inspection. Richard Dixon made the motion to table bids for consideration, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Frank presented the bids for the replacement of the sign at the Community Center from Johnnysigns. Two proposals with different option were presented for review. The option with 9mm resolution was \$14,796 and 6mm resolution was \$18,855. Motion to table for review was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Frank presented a quote for cleaning the Community Center post COVID Vaccine Clinic from TS Floors and more for \$818. Motion to accept bid for cleaning was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Frank presented bid for painting the Superior Court Judges office, hall, bath, and one additional office in County Complex for \$2,050. Motion to approve the bid for painting from LH Stout Construction was made by Richard Dixon, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. This will be paid from Cum Cap funds. Frank presented quote to remove duct work from the property on Hospital Road. Motion to approve the quote from Mehringer Plumbing not to exceed \$2,000 to remove old duct work to allow storage clearance was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Frank presented bid from the First Chance Center to weed eat bank at the property on Hospital Road for \$150 monthly. Motion to approve the monthly weed eating at the property was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Since Frank will haul the County Courthouse mower to the property on Hospital Road, motion to approve the purchase of a trailer to haul the mower with the county owned vehicle not to exceed \$1,500 was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. In conclusion Frank requested direction in the County Cleaning of the property on Hospital Road. Motion to direct Inga McBride to clean as needed and to purchase a vacuum and supplies for the building was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble and carried 3-0.

Elizabeth Jones, Orange County Clerk, presented information on electronic poll books. The State will pay for the initial equipment and the first year of maintenance. After the first year the maintenance bids were KnowInk for \$4,000 per year and VR Systems for \$5,200 per year. The Orange County Election Board voted on March 29<sup>th</sup> to transition to the electronic poll books using the vendor KnowInk contingent the approval of the Commissioners. Motion to approve request by the Orange County Election Board was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Amy Wilson, Orange County Health Department, presented a request to reappoint David Zehr and Delilah McAdams to the Orange County Health Board. Motion to accept nominations and appoint David Zehr and Delilah McAdams was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Roger Wininger and Lavern Emmons, SV Regional Water, requested consideration in receiving some of the American Rescue Act funding that the County is due to receive. Marshall commented that the County is currently looking at how that funds should be used.

Robin Brown, Orange County CASA, reported on receiving additional sanitization stations to be placed in county buildings along with the solution for about a year through the Community Foundation. Robin requested permission to apply for one or more of the 4 grants that have been made available for CASA funding. Robin will review the grants to see which ones may be applicable to our county. There will be no match from the County on these grants. Motion to allow Robin to move forward with the grant application that will benefit the County was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Robin also requested permission to hire a part time person if funding becomes available through the State CASA Program. Motion to approve the position contingent Council approval of the funding was made by Richard Dixon, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Cindy Longest, Gateway Ministries, requested permission to use the Courthouse Green for a service May 2nd. Motion to approve the request for the use of the green and restrooms inside the Courthouse was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Valerie Moon, Orange County Transit, presented the 2020 closeout Transit Grant claim. Motion to review and approve the claim for the 2020 closeout grant was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Valerie presented a request to make application for the 2022 Transit Capital Grant (2 vehicles) and the Capital Discretionary Grant. The grant will have a publication of a public hearing. Motion to approve both transit capital grants was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Angie Chastain, Purdue Extension office, requested clarification on the use of the Community Center parking lot. Marshall Noble reported that who ever rents the Community Center gets the parking. The Community Center must be rented to get the parking area.

JC Tucker, County Attorney, presented Ordinance 2021-03 creating a new fund for the receipt of funding from the American Rescue Plan as Adopted by Congress in 2021. Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-03 was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. JC requested that a draft for the lease agreement between the County and Inliner be considered and approved. Motion to approve the draft as written (allowing Richard to sign final draft) was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. In conclusion JC presented Auditor Stroud with the original Agreement with Bloomington Hospital on lease agreement of County Property.

Marshall Noble reported that Old Highway 145 (county road portion) has been repaired and gotten positive reports from the community. Thanked the County Highway for the good work.

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Richard Dixon, reported the County was not successful in receiving the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of OCRA COVID relief funding. Richard reported that the COVID clinic will be moved to the County property on Hospital Road May 3<sup>rd</sup>. IU Health will not be doing vaccine clinics after the end of May. Richard requested that the Highway Superintendent and Maintenance Director look at a fork lift that is for sale by JSI. The sale price of \$2,500 is a good price if the unit is in good shape. Richard presented JC with a proposal, for review, from Garmon Construction to be the Construction Manager once the County decides to move forward with the jail project in the future.

Steve Hopper requested to move forward with the purchase of the tree as a memorial for Steve Wells. Frank Lynd will seek out a company that can plant the tree. A memorial plaque is planned to be placed at the tree once planted.

With no further business to discuss the motion to sign claims and adjourn was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Orange County Commissioners

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Richard Dixon

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Steve Hopper

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Marshall Noble

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chelsea Smith, Deputy Auditor  
For: Lonnie Stroud, Auditor – Orange County