

RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE  
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE  
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA  
ON THE 25th DAY OF AUGUST, 2020 at 9:00 am

Officials present: Commissioners Richard Dixon, Steve Hopper, and Marshal Noble. Also present, Attorney Lyn Tucker Fullen, Sheriff Josh Babcock, and Auditor Lonnie Stroud.

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

Sheriff Babcock called meeting to order.

Motion to approve the minutes as written from August 11<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble and carried 3-0.

Sheriff reported that the Jail population was 83.

Carl Anderson, Orange County Highway Superintendent, gave road work report for the county. Carl also gave bridge report and that the trend on repairing the county bridges was going in the right direction. Carl reported that funding was starting to become an issue though, as bridges are fixed or replaced. Marshall Noble asked Carl if the County does anything about grass clippings being discarded to the road way. Discussion on the dangers of this and that Marshall observed a large amount of grass discharge on Abdel Road. The County does not have an Ordinance at this time. Lyn will prepare one for the Commissioners to consider. The grass Clippings Ordinance will have penalties that will need to be approved by the County Council as well.

Rick Emerick, EMA, reported on a public safety grant from Hoosier Uplands for a laptop. The money will be deposited and appropriated by County Council at their next meeting. Also, Rick has been continuing the support from Homeland Security on PPE distribution to public services.

Billie Deel, Orange County Treasurer, and Sandy Hill, Orange County Recorder, requested permission to have 5 tables deemed of no value and a desk and old copier to be sold if possible, or deemed of no value if no interest is found. Motion to approve the total request was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Garland Eubank, reported that Clothe a Child was still a go on Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Paoli Country Club.

Rebecca Kemple, First Chance Transit, presented documents from the DMV for a signature to register the two vehicles that were purchased earlier in the year.

Lyn Tucker Fullen, County Attorney, reported on the Orange County Fire Board bylaw change requiring 48 hours' notice if a member could not attend the meeting. Motion to approve the change was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Lyn presented the agreement with Johnson Control Fire Systems to do the improvements to the alarm required for the elevator upgrade. Motion to approve the agreement for total of \$1,705.32 was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble and carried 3-0. Lyn presented the Commissioner with the closing documents on refinancing of the grader, with changes, for consideration. Motion to approve Richard Dixon to sign the corrected closing forms was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Auditor Stroud presented a request to clarify days that employees are off for quarantine, sickness, or testing. Lyn reported that the Family First COVID relief Act covers what businesses under 500 are required to do as far as paying employees. This includes paying employees for the first 80 hours of quarantine, and time waiting for test results of employees with symptoms that are ordered tested. The Commissioners will defer to the Act for guidance of how the County will pay for employees that are off for COVID related time off. Stroud reported that the County will need to do an additional appropriation for the site attendants for 2020 because there is 27 pays instead of 26 in 2020 and no encumbrance was made to bring that appropriation from 2019 to 2020. In conclusion, Stroud requested permission to seek quotes to have the Transfer books scanned and indexed to be able to put on line. This expense could be reimbursed from the COVID relief package the county received because it will allow online search of these documents. Motion to approve Stroud to go forward with getting quotes to have the documents scanned was made by Steve hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Marshal Noble reported on the discussion that is ongoing with Smithville that will provide a hotspot at the Community Center. Motion to allow there to be a pole or the unit attach to the building for the hotspot was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Richard Dixon, and carried 3-0. Smithville has also made a request for an easement on property that is currently leased by IU Hospital for the placement of equipment. This item is tabled till a representative from Smithville can present information.

Steve Hopper reported that the UV Light that was purchased for the Community Center will be moved to the Highway Department to be used in the common areas out there. Richard requested update on the schedule at the Community Center so scheduling of parking lot work. Steve will follow up with Angie Chastain, Purdue Extension, to get that schedule.

Richard Dixon reported on meeting with the Amish Community on buggy registration. Meetings went well and registration will start January 1st 2021. The Amish Community will pay the County a lump sum based on the number of buggies that haul people.

With no further business to discuss the motion to 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

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lonnie Stroud, Auditor – Orange County

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Marshall Noble