

RECORD OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA
ON THE 19th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2019 at 9:00 am

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

Sheriff Babcock called the meeting to order. The pledge to the Flag was given and Lonnie Stroud opened with prayer.

The minutes from November 6th were reviewed. Steve Hopper made the motion to accept the minutes without changes, Marshall Noble seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Babcock reported that the Jail population is currently 87 with two inmates at Crawford County. Sheriff also reported that he has been working to get information on the plumbing issues that are in the Jail cells. Sheriff will have a report for the Commissioners to review before the next meeting on the proposed fix.

Carl Anderson, Superintendent, Orange County Highway Department, reported that Bridge 74 in Greenfield TWP was reopened on November 12th, 15 day turn around. Carl reported that the Grapevine Hollow Rd is closed for needed repairs starting on November 18th and anticipate reopening before the 28th. There continues to be work completed that was scheduled this summer and was delayed by weather. Carl reported that the first snow event was taken care of without incident.

Linda Reynolds, County Assessor, presented an addendum to the Tax Management Associates personal property audits agreement because of Indiana Code changes and extending it to October 25, 2022. Motion to approve the agreement addendum not to exceed \$35,000 per year after recommendation of the county Assessor and County Auditor was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

At 9:35 County Attorney JC Tucker opened the bids for the County Highway material bids. All bids highlights were read aloud and were available for public review once opened. Motion to table the bids for review by the Highway Superintendent Carl Anderson was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Abby Heidenreich, Purdue Extension Coordinator, presented the memorandum of understanding with Purdue Extension to provide contractual services to be performed in Orange County for the approved budgeted amount of \$110,040. Motion to approve the MOU was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Abby also reported and presented information on the planned services for the remainder of the year and 2020. The Job posting for the approved 3rd educator has been posted by Purdue.

County Attorney JC Tucker presented the interlocal agreement with Solid Waste for consideration by the Commissioners for the total amount of \$151,656. Motion to approve the interlocal agreement was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Marshall Noble then made the motion to recommended that the County Auditor be named the controller of the solid waste, seconded by Steve Hopper and carried 2-0-1 with Richard Dixon abstaining. JC presented the Commercial Sales Agreement that allows the replacement of the out dated smoke detectors and allows the county to have annual inspections that comply with the State Fire Marshal. Motion to approve the Commercial Sales Agreement was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Richard Dixon questioned JC Tucker about the proposal of the use of county property by IU Health Paoli. JC reported that nothing has been prepared for review.

Auditor Stroud presented the Commissioners with the request for appointments for Region 15. Commissioners will make determination for appointments at the first meeting in 2020. Stroud presented the Commissioners with the meeting dates for 2020. Commissioners will review dates to be approved in the next meeting. Stroud confirmed that the next Commissioners meeting date was moved from December 3rd to December 2nd due to meeting scheduled for the Commissioners.

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

Orange County Commissioners

Richard Dixon

Steve Hopper

Marshall Noble

Attest: _____
Lonnie Stroud, Auditor – Orange County