

RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA
ON THE 16th DAY OF JUNE, 2020 at 9:00 am

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

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

Sheriff Babcock called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Richard Dixon asked if they had an opportunity to review the minutes from the last meeting. Motion to approve minutes without changes was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Sheriff Babcock gave Sheriff/Jail report. The population stands at 78 this AM. There have been no positives reported in the Jail or Sheriff Department for COVID 19. The UV lights are being used in areas that potentially would be contaminated. Sheriff also reported that they are considering lifting a few restrictions on visitation to reflect the Governor’s order.

Carl Anderson, Orange County Highway Superintendent, gave county wide report on road work being completed. Carl ask the Commissioners permission to request additional money be appropriated from the Bridge fund to replace a failure of the bridge on 375 S. This would allow the repair to be done properly. Motion to approve Carl to approach Council for the additional \$38,000 to be appropriated to the Bridge fund line item was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Carl reported that signs have been placed for speeding traffic on John Hughes Road near Shirley Creek Horse Camp per the request from the last meeting.

Rick Emerick. Orange County EMA, reported that the Skytron UVC Disinfection Systems have been delivered. Rick is maintaining supply of PPE for Fire, LE, and Corrections. Continuing to support Health Department efforts as well.

Billie Deel, Orange County Treasurer, presented the quote for the bathroom counter top replacement for \$2500. Motion to approve the replacement to be paid from Cumulative Capital Development major repairs was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Amy Wilson, Orange County Vital Records, requested permission to continue with pursing a grant for a radio for the Sanitarian to be able to contact law enforcement. The grant was for \$1,497 and will purchase one radio. Stroud said it would be best if the Community foundation purchased the radio and gave it to the Sanitarian. Motion to approve the grant to be received by the County or the radio to be purchased by the Community Foundation and the radio given to the Sanitarian was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Rick Anderson, Johnson Melloh, presented a sample RFP to go forward with the energy conservation proposal. Discussion on if the Town of Paoli would allow the County to bank credit for power put back into the system. The prior Council refused but the Town of Paoli will be approached again since it is a new Council. The issue was tabled because without being able to bank credit the project would not have the same return.

Valery Moon, Orange County Transit, presented the claim for a vehicle purchase through the Transit Grant. Motion to approve the claim for the second vehicle was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Valery presented the agreement for the 5311grant through the CARES Act funding. Motion to review and sign the agreement was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble and carried 3-0.

Zack Brown, Orange County Economic Development, reported on funding that was available for County businesses. There is \$250 thousand dollars that the County can apply for to give relief to local businesses. Zack reported that he was working with Region 15 to prepare the grant request and work out the details to how the money would be distributed. There will likely be a board that consist of the different County Chamber of Commers, Economic Development, County Commissioners, and County Council to review applications. Those that would be awarded the funding would have to report for two years to maintain compliance. Zack will work with Tucker law office to have the letter of intent prepared and the public meeting advertised. Motion for Zack to continue and allow Richard Dixon to sign the letter of intent once prepared was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Garland Eubank, 911 Director, reported that 911 lost an employee to death. Commissioners gave condolences to the family.

Eugene Pinnick complimented the County on the great road work being completed around the county.

Brandy Martin, Paoli High School student parent, requested the use of the Community Center for a non-conventional Prom. The event will be July 10th after the restrictions from the Governor has been lifted. The event will last from 7-11. They have secured liability insurance from Dewitt Insurance and understand the damage deposit requirements. She requested a reduced rent for the students. Motion to allow the \$100 reduction in rent with the damage deposit in full was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshal Noble and carried 3-0. Kim Anderson, Orange County Sanitarian, volunteered to represent the County and to help with Governors order compliance and social distancing at the event.

County Attorney Lyn Tucker Fullen presented the Commissioners with the old airport road completion acknowledgement. Carl Anderson reported that he looked into what was covered by the agreement and was satisfied that it will not affect future completion of the existing project. Motion to approve and sign the acknowledgement was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Auditor Stroud reported that the invoices for reimbursement 3, 4, and 5 were submitted. The total to date requested was \$159,563 leaving \$472,732 for request. Stroud reported that the County was pre-approved on the property tax settlement but error was found and his office was working with the software provider to correct the issue. It was his hope that checks would be prepared today for distribution but it was up to the software provider to make the necessary corrections. Stroud concluded with presenting the Commissioners with the annual service agreement with Carrier to provide service for the unit at the County Courthouse. The total was \$9,771 paid in quarterly installments. This was no change from the last agreement. Motion to approve and sign the agreement was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Marshall Noble reported that they continue to look at option for Grapevine Hollow Road slide.

Steve Hopper added that the same option that was allowed to Paoli Seniors would be for the other parent groups of seniors from the other schools as well.

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

Orange County Commissioners

Richard Dixon

Steve Hopper

Attest: _____
Lonnie Stroud, Auditor – Orange County

Marshall Noble