

RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE  
ORANGE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HELD AT THE  
MEETING ROOM, PAOLI, INDIANA  
ON THE 21th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 at 9:00 am

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

Richard Dixon led the pledge to the flag and Auditor Stroud offered the prayer.

Sheriff Babcock called the meeting to order.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2021, meeting was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and passed 3-0.

Judge Andry, Superior Court Judge, presented a request to purchase equipment that will allow Zoom meetings for her court. The total price was \$2,950. Marshall Noble asked if the equipment was mobile if it needed moved. The Judge reported that it was. Motion to approve the purchase of the equipment from Cumulative Capital Development fund was made by Richard Dixon, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Judge Andry also presented information on upgrading the camera system in the Superior Court area with the first bid being \$19,586. The Judge would request two other bids if it was something the Commissioners could approve. Marshall Noble requested that they meet in executive session to discuss due to the matter involving security issue. Richard Dixon agreed to discuss further in executive session that will be scheduled at a later date. Judge requested that they also do a walk through and consider allowing for new carpet and paint in the court area be considered.

Sheriff presented the monthly stats for August. Population of the Jail at the time of the meeting was 88. Marshall Noble reported that he got a good report about Officer Matt Anderson assisting in a stranded motorist. Marshall stated “It is great that we have officers that care about the community”.

EMA, Rick Emerick, reported on receiving a Commodity Point of Distribution Kit. The kit was no cost to the County and will be added to the Preparedness Mobile Trailer. Marshall asked about web connectivity in the event of a mobile unit. Rick reported that his phone has hot spot capability as well as the State being able to provide satellite connection as well.

Frank Lynd, Maintenance Director, reported on getting an updated quote from A+ Landscaping that included using only rock in the flower bed areas. Motion to approve up to \$9,000 for Frank to get white rock, instead of the river rock that was proposed, was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Frank reported a door issue was corrected at the future OCJGC building. Frank reported that the HVAC update at the Complex was 98% complete as well. Frank reported receiving a request forwarded by Highway Superintendent Carl Anderson from Rumpke for the use of the parking lot at the future OCJGC site. Steve Hopper requested a more detailed scope of the request and that Rumpke provide insurance proof to cover the county in the event of an accident. Also, it was noted that there should not be any vehicles in the parking area without permission and that vehicles parked there would not be permitted.

Deanna Kendall, Orange County Humane Society, requested permission to use the Community Center for a neuter vet clinic on November 5<sup>th</sup>. Discussion on if the block building would serve the needs of the clinic instead. Motion to allow the clinic at the 4-H block building first and the Community Center 2<sup>nd</sup> at no cost, was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

Amie Wilson, Orange County Health Department, requested permission to continue with the Health Maintenance and the Local Health Trust grants. Motion to approve the continuation of both grants was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Amie presented an opportunity to have a free web page that mirrors the Indiana State Department of Health for Health Department items. Motion to approve the site was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. In conclusion Amie requested an old printer be deemed of no value. The County IT looked at the printer and it was outdated and has printing issues that can not be resolved. Motion to deem the printer no value was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0.

Judge Steve Owen, Orange County Circuit Court, was present for the meeting. Richard Dixon took the opportunity to comment on the great experience while attending a court case. Richard reported that the thrownness and patience of describing the process was very good. Marshall Noble commented on the fact that members of the Judge’s staff volunteering for the COVID clinic was also a great community outreach that he observed. Steve Hopper commented that he has noticed several county employees being active in the community as well, it is a good reflection of the people we have working for the county. Stroud presented a request from the Circuit Court to deem two desks of no value. The desks were broken and being held together with Duct Tape in some areas. Motion to deem the two desk no value and discarded was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0.

County Attorney, Lyn Tucker Fullen, presented update on lease agreement with Inliner for the space that is being leased at the future Orange County Justice and Government Center. They will be making lease payments for July, August, September, and October from the information she received.

Auditor Stroud presented the Grant Application Procedures he wished to use. The Application has an attached Resolution 2021-15 to approve that was reviewed by Tucker Law Office. Motion to approve the Grant Application Procedure with Resolution 2021-15 was made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and carried 3-0. Stroud presented the 2022 Holiday Schedule for review and approval. Stroud reported that it did include the two election dates and the adjustment for holidays that fall on weekends. Motion to approve the 2022 Holiday Schedule was made by Steve Hopper, seconded by Marshall Noble, and carried 3-0. Stroud reported that the County Wide Cleanup day will be September 25<sup>th</sup> 8am till 12pm. Up to 8 tires will be allowed along with household rubbish. No chemicals or shingles will be accepted. Stroud requested the Commissioners consider doing an automatic door at the front or rear of the building in aiding those with walkers or wheelchairs. The request was tabled for more information and consideration.

Steve Hopper stated that the County will fly the flag at half-staff on Friday in reembrace of State Representative Steve Davidson.

Marshall Noble reported on receiving an email in regard to the correction of a drainage issue. County Road Foreman Jesse Winniger was quick to respond and professional the email reported. The issue was resolved.

Richard Dixon reported that the County will meet at the future OCJGC site to do a site visit with the Construction Manager Garmony and the Architect RQAW to go over needs with the building committee on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Upon motion made by Marshall Noble, seconded by Steve Hopper, and passed 3-0, the claims were approved to be signed and the meeting adjourned after signatures.

Orange County Commissioners

Richard Dixon

Steve Hopper

Marshall Noble

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