

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:00 p.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, Steve Metzger, Attorney Greg Heller and Auditor Christina Sriver.

BID OPENING – A bid was opened from LaPorte Construction for Bridge #45 for \$317,570. JCI Bridge Group bid \$343,662.93 for Bridge #45; Northern Indiana Construction bid \$271,162.93 for Bridge #45. The engineer’s estimate was for \$298,404. E & B bid \$134,672.85 for 750 W (Leiters Ford) and \$171,251.50 for Wabash Road; total \$305,924.35. Phend & Brown bid \$128,860.20 for 750 W and \$161,781.00 for Wabash Road; total \$290,641.20.

HIGHWAY – John Geier estimates six roads currently flooded or washed-out. The department has been working with EMA providing sandbags. John updated on department activities including snow/ice removal, running brush cutter, cutting trees, PASER rating roads, updating sign inventory using WTH GIS. Fulton County was awarded Federal Aid on Bridges #32 and #50. He was able to order additional salt at the same price as contracted. A new tractor and mower and Ton truck are scheduled on the five-year-plan to purchase through the Cumulative Capital fund, Commissioners give approval to go to Council. Spring bid opening will be done on March 16th at 10:30.

FEDCO – Terry Lee presented a report for January. The final approval from INDOT was granted to work on the Nickel Plate trail project and he is working on acquiring a couple pieces of property and then the design will be finished and he will be asking for bids around the middle of March. The 11 acres on Fourth Street will be closed before the end of March. Local Components of Elkhart is interested in opening a facility in Fulton County. Bailey’s Hardware restoration project has been completed. An educational video for advanced manufacturing is being produced. A representative from the North Central Indiana Regional Planning Council presented a progress report from 2015-2017 reflecting increases in contracts, applications and grants awarded. Commissioners hope to approve the FEDCO contract in the first meeting in March. A representative from the Regional Planning Council discussed the upcoming goals including advanced manufacturing in ag/business and infrastructure/quality of life, business retention and expansion and workforce development with approximately twenty initiatives under those goals.

TOURISM – Lyle Ligenfelter presented an expense report and discussed plans for an additional appropriation request at a later date. Commissioners would like Tourism to report quarterly on activities and revenue and encourage the board to discuss the additional appropriation request with Council.

CLERK – Teri Furnival discussed resolutions for polling sites for the upcoming elections and an annual report. She discussed new programs that were implemented including Odyssey, mycase.in.gov and e-filing. Rick motioned to read Resolution 02202018 aloud by title only, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read the resolution aloud. Rick motioned to approve Resolution 02202018, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION 302202018

The Fulton County Election Board, by unanimous vote, requests the following locations be set as the Polling Sites for the May 8, 2018 Primary Election and November 6, 2018 General Election.

POLLING SITES FOR THE PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS 2018

ROCHESTER	PRECINCTS 1, 2, 3	FULTON CO. FAIRGROUNDS COMM. BLDG. 1009 W 3 RD ST. ROCHESTER, IN 46975
ROCHESTER	PRECINCTS 4, 5	FULTON COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING 125 E 9 TH ST ROCHESTER, IN 46975
ROCHESTER	PRECINCTS 6, 7, 8	FULTON CO. FAIRGROUNDS COMM. BLDG. 1009 W 3 RD ST. ROCHESTER, IN 46975
AUBBEENAUBBEE	PRICINCT 9	AUBBEENAUBBEE TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY BLDG. 7410 MAIN ST., ROCHESTER, IN 46975 (Located in LEITERS FORD)
HENRY	PRECINCT 10, 11, 12	AKRON COMMUNITY CENTER 815 E RURAL ST AKRON, IN 46910
LIBERTY	PRECINCT 13	FULTON COMMUNITY CENTER 204 E DUNN ST FULTON, IN 46931
NEWCASTLE	PRECINCT 14	NEWCASTLE COMMUNITY BUILDING ST RD 15 N ROCHESTER, IN 46975
RICHLAND	PRECINCT 15	FULTON CO. HISTORICAL MUSEUM 37 E 375 N ROCHESTER, IN 46975
UNION	PRECINCT 16	KEWANNA FIRE STATION COMMUNITY ROOM, 404 N TONER ST. KEWANNA, IN 46939
WAYNE	PRECINCT 17	GRASS CREEK FIRE STATION GRASS CREEK, IN 46935

The Fulton County Election Board requests approval of the Polling Sites.

Fulton County Election Board: Dennis Grossnickle, Fred Bohm and Teri Furnivall

Approved this 20th day of February, 2018.

Rick motioned to read Resolution 02202018A aloud by title only, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read the resolution aloud. Steve motioned to approve Resolution 02202018A, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION #02202018A

**RESOLUTION
FOR A SATELLITE ABSENTEE VOTING LOCATION
AKRON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

The Fulton County Election Board, by unanimous vote, chooses to add an Absentee Voting Location at the Akron Public library on the two Saturdays prior to both the 2018 Primary and the 2018 General Election for Absentee Voting during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. of each of the Saturdays.

The Fulton County Election Board requests approval to add a Satellite Absentee Voting location at the Akron Public Library, 205 East Rochester St., Akron, IN 46910.

Fulton County Election Board
Dennis Grossnickle
Fred Bohm
Teri Furnivall

Approved this 20th day of February, 2018.

Rick motioned to read resolution 02202018B aloud by title only, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read the resolution aloud. Steve motioned to approve Resolution 02202018B, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION #02202018B

RESOLUTION TO ELIMINATE ELECTION SHERIFFS

The Fulton County Election Board by unanimous vote chooses to eliminate Election Sheriffs for May 8, 2018 Primary Election and November 6, 2018 General Election.

The Fulton County Election Board requests approval to Eliminate Election Sheriffs.

Fulton County Election Board
Dennis Grossnickle
Fred Bohm
Teri Furnivall

Approved this 20th day of February, 2018.

E911/COMMUNICATIONS – Gail Karas had requested a job review from the Job Classification Committee, Council will be presented the recommendation tomorrow. The dispatch position that was temporarily covered for the city by the county was discussed. Gail's request is to either have the city reimburse the county for the position or employ the position through the city. Training for Department Heads will be offered on March 2nd at 10:00 a.m.

SHERIFF – Sheriff Sailors has begun to receive bids on police vehicles. A lease-purchase option will be available for temporary inmate housing. Over the weekend 140 inmates were booked in the jail. The annual jail report for 2017 was presented and reviewed. A representative of RQAW discussed jail pod design.

IT/MAINTENANCE – Josh Sriver presented quotes from time keeping systems; his recommendation is to move forward with TimeClock Plus. Commissioners would like him to move forward and present to Council. He is implementing a work-order system for IT, Maintenance and would like to offer the program to HR for new employee on-boarding. The new wiring for the data room is coming along. He will be discussing purchasing storage with Council tomorrow at the meeting.

FUNDING AGREEMENTS – Rick motioned to approve a funding agreement with Marshall Starke Development for Manitou Training Center, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

COUNTY FUNDING AGREEMENT

The Fulton County Board of Commissioners and Marshall Starke Development for Manitou Training Center enter into the following funding agreement:

The County Agrees to provide funding from county revenues in the amount of \$30,000.00 for the fiscal year of 2018.

The Agency shall use these county tax revenues in the fulfillment of the obligations described as: Provide programs and services to people with disabilities living in Fulton County.

The Agency agrees to abide by the reasonable regulations established by the County (including the County Council as the fiscal body of the County) in the use and expenditure of these funds. The County agrees that the purpose outlined in the above paragraph is a legitimate county governmental purpose. The County is accepting this as the purpose of the agency in its request for county funding.

Dated this 8th day of February, 2018.

Rick motioned to approve a funding agreement with the Fulton County Animal Center, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

COUNTY FUNDING AGREEMENT

The Fulton County Board of Commissioners and Fulton County Animal Center enter into the following funding agreement:

The County Agrees to provide funding from county revenues in the amount of \$32,000.00 for the fiscal year of 2018.

The Agency shall use these county tax revenues in the fulfillment of the obligations described as: Fulton County housing and re-homing of lost or surrendered animals.

The Agency agrees to abide by the reasonable regulations established by the County (including the County Council as the fiscal body of the County) in the use and expenditure of these funds. The County agrees that the purpose outlined in the above paragraph is a legitimate county governmental purpose. The County is accepting this as the purpose of the agency in its request for county funding.

Dated this 19th day of January, 2018.

Rick motioned to approve Amendment #3, Attachment A To Extension Contractual Services Agreement Between Purdue University and Government of Fulton County, Indiana, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

**AMENDMENT #3
ATTACHMENT A**

**TO EXTENSION CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN PURDUE UNIVERSITY AND GOVERNMENT OF
FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA**

This is an amendment to the Extension Contractual Services Agreement for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment #3, Attachment A.

County: Fulton Period: January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018

Total Extension Contractual Services Appropriation: \$104,720.00

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FUND – Bryan read Ordinance #02202018 aloud:

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FUND - ORDINANCE NO. 02202018
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN INTERNAL SERVICE FUND FOR
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION; FUND #4900**

WHEREAS, the increase in population of the Fulton County Jail has revealed the need to attempt to reduce population by way of rehabilitation of perpetual offenders; and,

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Sheriff has expressed the desire to rehabilitate inmates with drug-related convictions; and,

WHEREAS, a substance abuse program, Substance Abuse Education Class, has been designed to rehabilitate inmates prior to release; and,

WHEREAS, Substance Abuse Education Class is estimated to cost approximately \$15,000.00 per year to maintain; and,

WHEREAS, Fulton County desires to collect donations to aid in the expenses necessary to support the program; and,

WHEREAS, IC 36-2-9-13 requires the Auditor to keep a separate account for each item of appropriation made by the County fiscal body; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 36-1-3-2, government entities are granted the powers that they need for the effective operation of government as to local affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners and the Fulton County Council as follows:

Section 1: Creation

That a separate internal service fund is established for the accounting of all donations collected for Substance Abuse Education Class in the Fulton County Jail.

Section 2: Operation of Internal Service Fund

The internal service fund shall be used to pay for invoices for Substance Abuse Education Class in the Fulton County Jail to Four County Counseling Services which will provide fee-based service.

Section 3: Effective Date

That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon the passing and publication as provided by the law.

ALL OF WHICH IS HEREBY ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Steve motioned to approve reading the ordinance by title only for the second reading, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. Bryan read the ordinance by title only. The third reading will be presented at the next meeting.

MINUTES – Rick motioned to approve minutes from February 5th and 6th, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

CLAIMS – Approved as presented.

2/7/18	LIT Distribution, Misc & Credit Cards	\$479,027.83
2/15/18	Fuel and Shred-it	\$123,024.54
2/20/18	Mid-month Claims	\$322,596.65
2/16/18	Payroll	\$186,360.54
2/20/18	Misc Claims	\$28,259.35

TRANSFERS – Approved as presented.

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
		32025	32023	
		Reimbursement	Contractual Trial	
Public Defender	County General	Conflicts Attorney	Attorney 2nd	\$18,017.00

To increase the second trail attorney’s caseload status to full-time necessitates an increase in the contract fee for that attorney in order to remain compliant with the Indiana Public Defender Commission standards for reimbursement.

HIGHWAY CONTINUED – Rick motioned to approve both contracts from Phend & Brown on 750 W and Wabash Road, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Steve motioned to approve the contract from Northern Indiana Construction for Bridge #45, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

RECESS – Steve motioned to recess at 8:11 p.m., Rick seconded; passed 3-0.