

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Monday, November 5th, 2018

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 9:00 a.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, Steve Metzger, Attorney Greg Heller and Auditor Christina Sriver.

SHERIFF – Chris Sailors A rough draft was received on the recent jail report; a response is required by Wednesday. He visited Adams County jail recently to review any likes and dislikes they have following their new jail. He will be accepting applications for a road deputy. He will be getting specs out to rotate out two vehicles.

COMMUNICATIONS – Gail Karas gave the reports for October.

IT/MAINTENANCE – Josh Sriver discussed the bids received on the courthouse sidewalk project: \$504,287.66 Spangle Construction, \$651,413.00, D & T Construction. Bruce Spangle stated that he will work on building a collapsible structure over the winter for surrounding the lions while working on them. Commissioners recommend discussing the funding with Council. Josh would like to begin on the north side. If the work is broken into phases the cost of concrete and steel may need to be adjusted depending on pricing. If the Highway Department will haul the demolished concrete the overall cost savings would be approximately \$40,000 but the wear-and-tear on the truck wouldn't be worth the savings. Rick motioned to award the bid to Spangle Construction to take under advisement until Council weighs on the financial aspects.

The next time clock meeting will be this week, Commissioners would like to implement as soon as possible. The server implementation is about 1/3 complete. The backups are down from 12 hours to 4 hours. The power washing on the Courthouse is complete.

HIGHWAY – Rick motioned to accept all of the fall bid packets, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. John Geier presented a permit for consideration on W CR 200 N. Steve motioned to approve, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. John reviewed the department activities. Discussion ensued of whether to wedge with asphalt or pug on Athens Road from State Road 14 to Fort Wayne Road; pug will be arranged for next year. John's recommendation for Federal Aid is to repair 6-7 miles of Old US 31; USI is preparing cost analysis for the project at this time to turn in the first of December. The wheel and sur tax will be held aside for the next few years to help cover the matching portion. John, together with the Sheriff, has completed several traffic studies: Olson Road, Lakeshore Drive at Rock Lake and near Amish Schools in the northern community. Bryan discussed the ordinance establishing speed limits on Olson Road near Rochester, in Rochester Township.

**BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Ordinance Number 11052018**

An ordinance establishing speed limits on Olson Road near Rochester, in Rochester Township.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of Olson Road as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)
SPEED ZONE FOR OLSON ROAD

Forty miles per hour (40 M.P.H.) speed zone on Olson Road starting at the intersection of U.S. 31 and continuing west for 16,757 feet (sixteen thousand, seven hundred and fifty-seven feet), ending 200 feet (two hundred feet) west of the intersection of Strawberry Lane.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.

Rick motioned to suspend the rules and have the second reading by title only, seconded by Steve; passed 3-0. The third meeting will be performed in the next meeting. The existing speed limit sign at Rock Lake was destroyed and after review it was found an ordinance was not recorded for this zone.

BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Ordinance Number 11052018-A

An ordinance establishing speed limits on Lakeshore Drive, in Henry Township at Rock Lake.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of Lakeshore Drive as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

SPEED ZONE FOR Lakeshore Drive (Rock Lake)

Twenty mile per hour (20 M.P.H.) speed zone on Lakeshore Drive starting at the intersection of 125 South and continuing North for 1,425 feet (one thousand four hundred and twenty-five feet), ending at dead end.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.

Steve motioned to suspend the rules and have the second reading by title only, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. The third meeting will be performed in the next meeting. The next ordinance presented will establish speed limits at all known schools, on county roads within Fulton County, with the exception of Rochester Community Schools, with speed limits previously set.

BEFORE THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Ordinance Number 11052018-B

An ordinance establishing speed limits at all known schools, on county roads within Fulton County, with the exception of Rochester Community Schools, with speed limits previously set. These zones are intended to include, but are not limited to Amish and private schools throughout Fulton County.

Whereas, the Fulton County Highway Department and the Fulton County Sheriff have completed a traffic study of known existing school zones as described in Subsection One.

It is therefore ordained, that the speed limits set forth in subsection one supersedes all prior speed limits at this location.

It is further ordained, that Fulton County Highway Department post appropriate speed limit signs to advise motorists of the speed limit at this location.

(Subsection One)

SPEED ZONE FOR SCHOOL ZONES IN FULTON COUNTY

Twenty-five mile per hour (25 M.P.H.) speed zone at any known existing school zone starting 1,000 feet (one thousand feet), before any school entrance and extending 1,000 feet (one thousand feet) after school entrance.

This ordinance is effective upon passage and proper publication.

Rick motioned to suspend the rules and have the second reading by title only, seconded by Steve; passed 3-0. The third meeting will be performed in the next meeting. Josh discussed a proposed camera system for the Highway Department for \$15,150. IT and the

Highway will review budgets to sort out funding. Commissioners will hear their decision at the next meeting. Rick received a complaint on a rough road on 200 W. There was leftover pug laid and John plans to go over it again next year. Discussion was held concerning the purchase of a backhoe. The JCB was not demoed due to not meeting the bid specs on the curved boom.

HOSPITAL BOARD APPOINTMENT – The Health Board has recommended the reappointment of Linda Baldwin to the Board. Rick motioned to approve, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

AIRPORT FUEL AGREEMENT – Steve motioned to accept the Memorandum of Understanding Concerning Fuel Meters Inspection between the Fulton County Airport Authority, Indiana and The County of Fulton, Indiana, Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

2019 HOLIDAYS – Rick motioned to approve, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

New Year’s Day	Tuesday	January 1, 2019
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Monday	January 21, 2019
President’s Day	Monday	February 18, 2019
Good Friday	Friday	April 19, 2019
Memorial Day	Monday	May 27, 2019
Independence Day	Thursday	July 4, 2019
Labor Day	Monday	September 2, 2019
Columbus Day	Monday	October 14, 2019
Veteran’s Day	Monday	November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	November 28, 2019
	Friday	November 29, 2019
Christmas Holiday	Tuesday	December 24, 2019
Christmas Day	Wednesday	December 25, 2019

MINUTES – Steve motioned to approve the minutes from October 15, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

CLAIMS – Approved as presented.

10/12/2018	Payroll	\$190,032.23
10/23/2018	Fuel, Sur/Wheel Tax, Fines & Forfeitures	\$340,949.37
11/1/2018	3 rd Quarter 2018 Transpo Grant	\$83,624.00
11/5/2018	Misc. Claims	\$427,924.17
11/5/2018	LIT distribution & Credit Card payment	\$902,128.59

TRANSFERS – Approved as presented.

Department	Fund	From Account	To Account	Amount
		Extra Help-\$4,896.00		
		Overtime Merit Deputies-\$350.00		
		Animal Control Supplies-\$1,427.00		
		Postage-\$4,600.00	Courthouse Security PT-	
		Photo Supply-\$906.00	\$4,896.00	
		Ammo & Flares-\$3,577.00	Overtime-\$350.00	
Sheriff	LIT Public Safety	Leather & Equipment-\$4,100.00	Garage & Motor-\$14,610.00	\$19,856
Salaries, vehicle repairs/maintenance and gasoline				
Highway	MVH	Drainage Assessment	Other Charges	\$1,000.00
To finish out year-end expenses				
Communications	Statewide 911	Dispatch Reimbursement	Equipment	\$10,000.00
A portion of the 800 radio purchase for the Sheriff				

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – Approved as presented.

Department	Fund	For	-Amount
Communications 2 nd payment for Spillman software	Statewide 911	Computer Software	\$39,501
Communications Final radio equipment payment	Statewide 911	Equipment	\$44,393
Jail To pay for inmates held by other counties due to overcrowding	County General	Inmate Housing	\$100,000
Highway Purchase of a backhoe	MVH	Equipment	\$78,518

NEW BUSINESS – Satisfaction of Note in the amount of \$15,000 for Machined Castings approved in 2008, was motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; passed 3-0.

Austin White stated a concern with privacy fences in the current zoning ordinance. He was advised of the proper appeal procedure.

OLD BUSINESS – Greg discussed a notification received concerning the nativity scene on the courthouse lawn. Alternatives are either not displaying the nativity scene at all or pass an ordinance allowing anyone to display what they wish.

Council member Randy Sutton thanked Commissioners for the help on the camera system at Council on Aging.

Steve reminded all of the Veterans program at Rochester High School on Monday, November 12th and asked the Auditor to email all department heads to allow employees to attend.

AREA PLAN COMMISSION – Casi Cowles discussed the interlocal agreements to be proposed to Rochester City. Commissioners agree that the agreements should have a beginning date of January 1, 2018. Rick motioned to approve the Interlocal Agreement for the Administration of the Building Code and Unsafe Building Ordinance of the City of Rochester by Fulton County, Steve seconded; passed 3-0. Steve motioned to approve the Interlocal Agreement for the Administration of the Sidewalk Code of the City of Rochester by Fulton County, Rick seconded; passed 3-0. A cover letter should be included to the City to add the agreement to the next agenda.

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS HEARING – Bryan read the resolution aloud:

**RESOLUTION OF THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO THE FULTON COUNTY ZONE ORDINANCE**

Resolution No: 11052018

A Resolution to Approve Amendments initiated by the Fulton County Plan Commission to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance. The proposed amendments were approved by the Fulton County Plan Commission at the legally advertised public hearing on October 22nd, 2018.

WHEREAS, The Plan Commission of Fulton County, Indiana did on the 22nd day of October, 2018 hold a regularly scheduled meeting of the Fulton County Plan Commission and considered amendments to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance and did approve the amendments proposed by the Fulton County Plan Commission at a legally advertised public hearing on October 22nd, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the amendments were initiated by the Fulton County Plan Commission; and

WHEREAS, said request did propose that said Fulton County Zone Ordinance be amended as attached to *Plan Commission Resolution PC-10222018*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners approve the amendments as certified by the Fulton County Plan Commission to the Fulton County Zone Ordinance.

Casi stated that the issues being addressed, in part, are errors in the current ordinance going back to 2008. Privacy fences being installed backwards is a current issue as well as fencing setbacks. The other items being addressed are solar energy systems, manure storage structures, landscaping and signs. Austin White stated that he disagrees with fences being installed on a property line in the agriculture district due to interference of farming. Rick motioned to approve Resolution 11052018 as presented, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

PUBLIC WAY VACATION – Casi presented information regarding the request of the Plan Commission board to vacate an area of Guise Park, original and subsequent plats, known as “Beach”.

ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC PLACE

FULTON COUNTY, INDIANA

WHEREAS, Fulton County Plan Commission, has petitioned for the vacation of a public place, in Fulton County, Indiana, being persons who are interested in real land within original and subsequent plats of Guise Park, Guise Park First Addition, and the Re-Plat of Guise Park Lake Bruce in the Fulton County, more particularly described as follows:

Land denoted by the word “Beach”, beginning at the water’s edge of Lake Bruce, Kewanna, IN and lying south of the platted lots of Guise Park, Guise Park First Addition, and the Re-Plat of Guise Park Lake Bruce as recorded in the Fulton County Recorder Office and running the same length as the platted Lots located in said recorded plats, all located in Fulton County, Indiana.

WHEREAS, a public notice of a public hearing was published in the *Rochester Sentinel* on the 24th day of October per state law; and a public hearing was held on the 5th day of November, 2018 to allow interested parties to make their comments and concerns known; and,

WHEREAS, the Fulton County

Rick motioned to suspend the rules and read the ordinance by title only, Steve seconded; passed 3-0.

BUILDING CODE FEE ORDINANCE – Commissioners have no opposition to the proposed fees; Council will make the final decision. The new fee schedule will be named as “Exhibit A” in an attachment to a

RECESS – Steve motioned to recess at 11:47 a.m., Rick seconded; passed 3-0.

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ATTEST: Christina Sriver, Fulton County Auditor