

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Monday, March 4, 2019

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 9:00 a.m. with Pledge to the Flag. Present: Bryan Lewis, Rick Ranstead, Steve Metzger, county attorney Holli Shorter-Pfeiffer and Auditor Christina Sriver.

HIGHWAY – John Geier presented a permit request for Frontier motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0. Steve motioned to approve all bids that were presented Friday, Rick seconded; carries 3-0. John updated on the department activities. He has ordered a Ford F-550, New Holland tractor and mower, trailer, New Holland tractor and brush cutter, and fleet maintenance software. Commissioners suggest doing bid specs and receiving sealed bids for dump trucks. He has been awarded \$7,646,702 with county match of \$2,662,074. He attended a scoping meeting last week for Bridge #32 and #50. Bridge #32 will be moved back and bid at the same time as Bridge #50 in October of 2022. That will allow for bundling the bridges in hopes of saving money. Bridge #32 does not have a speed limit on it and will need to be established to eliminate weight-bearing and right-of-way issues on the guardrail. The Sheriff also suggests putting a 25-mile speed limit through Camp Shohola and will do the traffic study at the same time. John would like permission to use the state rate of salt for next winter and order the same amount as this year; Commissioners approve.

ADA – The restrooms in the Annex building are almost complete to bring to ADA standards and will be ready before the election is held in May.

EMA – Larry explained that someone is interested in purchasing an 80-foot tower. It was originally purchased through a grant and is not in use. The county attorney will advise.

COMMUNICATIONS – Gail reported on the February calls and activities. Last month she attended a meeting in regards to mental health of a dispatcher. St. Joe County has started a northern Indiana support group free of charge to counties. She will discuss this topic with the ADA/Title VI/Safety meeting next month. The Job Classification Committee will be meeting this week to discuss a part-time employee for her department. She would like to rehire a previous employee; Commissioners approve.

VSO – Ric reviewed the activity for February including transporting 25 veterans and 20 trips to 5 different VA hospitals. The state Military Family Relief Fund granted money over the limit to some families; Fulton County has only had two families (during Ric’s employment) use the fund. The American Legion had been producing monthly statements for Ric but have lost some employees and cannot produce the report. The next report he will have to chart progress will be in June when he receives the Geographic Distribution of Expenses (GDX).

MINUTES – Rick motioned to approve January 7th meeting minutes, Steve seconded; carries 3-0. Steve motioned to approve February 19th meeting minutes, Rick seconded; carries 3-0.

CLAIMS – Approved as presented

2/27/19	Check for Recorder Bank Fees	\$96.54
3/1/19	Payroll	\$195,866.33
3/1/19	Payroll Deductions	\$259,477.22
3/4/19	Credit Card	\$8,158.23
3/4/19	Misc. Claims	\$413,513.63

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – Approved as presented

Department	Fund	For	Amount
Public Defender	County General	Reimbursement Conflicts Attorney	\$35,000.00
The county did not budget any money in this category for the 2019 budget			
Highway	Cum Cap	Equipment	\$116,000.00
To purchase equipment trailer, Ford F-550 and maintenance software			
Highway	Bum Bridge	Bridge #172	\$271,000.00
To pay for Bridge #172 replacement			
Highway	MVH	Equipment	\$61,400.00
New Holland tractor & roadside mower, New Holland tractor & brush cutter			
Recorders Records			
Recorder	Perpetuation	Furniture/Equipment	\$3,494
Office furniture			

OLD BUSINESS – Steve motioned to approve the jail committee recommendation of Garmong for CMC, Rick seconded; carries 3-0.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFER RESOLUTION – Bryan read the purposed resolution aloud:

RESOLUTION OF FULTON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Board of Commissioners hereby deems it to be in the best interest of the Board as follows:

Bryan Lewis, in his capacity as President of the Fulton County Board of Commissioners, shall have authorization to execute all documents in connection with the transaction involving the Akron opera house (lot).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Bryan Lewis, President, shall have full authorization to sign any document in connection with the Akron Opera House real estate.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect after adopted.

ALL OF WHICH IS HEREBY RESOLVED this 4th day of March, 2019.

Steve motioned to approve, Rick seconded; carries 3-0.

RECESS – Rick motioned to recess at 9:36 a.m., Steve seconded; carries 3-0.

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Bryan Lewis

Rick Ranstead

Steve Metzger

ATTEST: Christina Sriver, Fulton County Auditor