

FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Monday, May 6, 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.

AREA PLAN ZONE MAP AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARING – Casi Cowles presented information on a requested change from residential to ag 6122 E State Road 14. The parcel is on the edge of a residential cluster. Ag land borders on three sides. Rezoning would allow for farm animals. There were two letters of objection received by the Area Plan Commission. The consideration is whether or not the change the characteristics of the residential district. No comments were received by the public. Bryan read the resolution aloud:

RESOLUTION OF THE FULTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TO ADOPT AN AMENDMENT TO THE FULTON COUNTY ZONE MAP

Resolution No: 05062019 Motion Passed: 3-0

A Resolution to Adopt an Amendment as certified by the Fulton County Plan Commission to the Fulton County Zone Map. The proposed amendment was given a favorable recommendation by the Fulton County Plan Commission at a legally advertised public hearing on April 22nd, 2019.

WHEREAS, The Fulton County Plan Commission of Fulton County, Indiana did on the 22nd day of April, 2019 hold a regularly scheduled meeting of the Fulton County Plan Commission and considered an amendment to the Fulton County Zone Map and did vote for a favorable recommendation of an amendment as proposed by a petitioner at a legally advertised public hearing on April 22nd, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the amendments were initiated by a petitioner; and

WHEREAS, said request did purpose that said Fulton County Zone Map be amended as stated in the attached *Certification of Zone Map Amendment, Docket # PC 32-0319*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fulton County Board of Commissioners adopt the amendment as certified by the Fulton County Plan Commission to the Fulton County Zone Map.

Steve motioned to approve the resolution, Rick seconded; carries 3-0. Rick motioned to close the public hearing, Steve seconded; carries 3-0.

ASSESSOR – Judy Dancy introduced Jay from Ad Valorem to explain how market sales affect the assessed value. Last year Henry, Newcastle and Richland townships were reassessed. The land value for wooded land was greatly affected. Fulton Town, Liberty Township, Kewanna, Wayne, Union will be reassessed this year. Some of the increases are affected by trending, but mostly by data collected. Next year Rochester Township and Aubbeenaubee Township will be reassessed, the following year Rochester

City. Jay estimates in Rochester Twp realized approximately a 10% increase overall. Woodland was figured at the ag rate minus 80%, approximately \$300 an acre, now being assessed at excess residential in the amount of \$2,000, set by DLGF. Overall the increase is due to analyzing sales data and trending, nothing to do with the new jail. Increases are being seen in neighboring counties also.

VSO – Ric Fouts presented the monthly report for April including 3,335 miles traveled and 23 trips to 5 different hospitals. He is attending the Fulton County HOPE event to expose providers of services to the public. He has received a PIV (Personal Identity Verification) card to access veteran’s records. He attended a food drive for Veterans.

SHERIFF – Chris Sailors reviewed the monthly reports for April. He attended a jail committee meeting last Wednesday. The committee is still working on jail design and will meet again for further review. There is concern of tenants’ rights for the farmer who currently has crop planted on the build site. Currently ground breaking is planned for the spring of next year; more public meetings will be planned. A circulation pump is being repaired for \$2,100. He met with Four County with Commissioner Ranstead to discuss the mental health services they provide the county and expressed interest in providing help with inmates.

COMMUNICATIONS – Gail Karas reviewed the report for April. She attended a conference recently and received an award for technology. The last time the phone lines were down was in February and it lasted 47 minutes. There is not usually a broken system because calls will roll from one county to another, except in February when there were several counties down. She would like to have EMS meetings set following the 911 board meetings. She will meet with the fair board and give a break-down of what the Fair Board and Fair Council spend the county-received funds on.

EMA – Larry Hoover reported that the river got high last week and delivered sand bags to a resident, the highway department left sand at the loading dock for residents to pick-up. He is continuing to plan the public training exercise. He continues to work on the AED grant; if there is not enough money granted he may request additional county funds for one unit (\$1,000-\$1,200). Gail mentioned that at the safety meeting recently CPR training for the defibrillators was discussed and should be offered. Those who refuse the training should sign a form to declare the refusal.

HIGHWAY – John Geier presented the bids for community crossings paving projects and trucks:

- Phend & Brown: 100 N to 400 W, \$461,047.10
- Phend & Brown: 100 W to the County line (Fulton Town limit), \$498,554.60
- Phend & Brown: CR 1000 S from 475 W to State Road 25, \$306,628.60
- DC Construction Services: CR 1000 S \$477,918.25
- E & B: 1000 S, \$312,596.60
- E & B: 100 W \$505,796.60
- E & B: CR 100 N \$489,943.00

Engineer’s estimates:

- 100 N \$541,373.20
- 100 W \$503,977.60
- 1000 S \$326,088

Phend & Brown submitted the lowest bid on all three Community Crossing paving projects.

Trucks & equipment bids:

Terry Truck Equipment: Single axle \$85,750, tandem \$92,945

Truck Centers Inc.: Single Axle \$97,110 (\$4,000 trade-in allowance; \$93,110 total cost), tandem \$125,838 (\$11,000 trade-in allowance; \$114,838 total cost)

M & K Truck Centers: Single axle \$109,097, tandem \$117,282 (\$10,500 trade-in allowance; \$106,782 total cost)

Wiers: Single axle \$86,125 (\$2,500 trade-in allowance; \$83,625 total cost), tandem \$113,650 (\$22,500 trade-in allowance; \$91,150 total cost)

WA Jones: single axle \$77,734 tandem \$79,968

John will report back at the next meeting for commissioners to award.

John presented a permit from Paul Slisser to bore 750 S. Rick motioned to approve, Steve seconded; carries 3-0. Century Link filed ten permits to install lines: Permit #19-6 motioned for approval by Rick, Steve seconded; carries 3-0; Permit 19-7 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-8 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-9 motioned for approval by Steve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0; Permit 19-10 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-11 motioned for approval by Steve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0; Permit 19-12 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-13 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-14 motioned for approval by Steve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0; Permit 19-15 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0; Permit 19-16 motioned for approval by Rick, seconded by Steve; carries 3-0. Permit 19-17 motioned for approval by Steve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0.

John updated on department activities including patching holes, sodding and prepping roads. The pug is mixed and ready. Construction on State Road 14 is done and the road has been reopened. There will be another detour on State Road 14 from May 13th – 24th from 775 W to 100 S to 600 W detour. Bridge #172 is closed due to inspection failure. Construction will start July 8th and must be completed by October 1, expect to complete by end of August. River Road and 600 N by DeLong have erosion; John has approval for an emergency repair. John presented the annual highway operational report; Steve motioned to approve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0. Steve motioned to approve the Phend & Brown contracts for all three Community Crossings projects, Rick seconded; carries 3-0.

WTH DATA EXCHANGE AGREEMENT – The Kewanna Police Department requests to share Fulton and Pulaski GIS data maps. Agreement motioned for approval by Steve, seconded by Rick; carries 3-0.

CITIZENS CEMETERY – A board should be established to create rules for the cemetery and a plot transfer process needs established. The auditor’s office will contact the IOOF cemetery to review their process. County Attorney Holli Shorter-Peiffer will draft a document establishing the board.

MINUTES – Steve motioned to approve the April 15th meeting minutes, Rick seconded; carries 3-0.

CLAIMS – Approved as presented

4/22/19	May ’19 Fines & Forfeitures, CERES fuel payment	\$24,126.30
4/17/19	Tax Sale Surplus	\$2,500.23
4/26/19	Payroll Deductions	\$84,271.19
4/26/19	Payroll Disribution	\$197,912.74
5/7/19	Misc. Claims	\$771,085.70

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – Approved as presented

Department	Fund	For	Amount
Auditor	EDIT	EDIT Bond	\$35,000
To pay EDIT Bond December payment; a shortfall of the Fulton County Redevelopment Fund is anticipated			
Sheriff	County General	Sheriff Vehicle	\$4,976
To use funds received from the sale of 2 Ford Expeditions to set up the newly purchased vehicles.			

NEW BUSINESS – Bryan discussed a youth center that FEDCO is interested in opening and is looking for contributions toward operating costs and equipment. Commissioners will consider a funding agreement for \$5,000 in the next meeting.

RECESS – Rick motioned to recess at 10:45 a.m., Steve seconded; carries 3-0.