

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
November 7, 2017 – 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on November 7, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council meeting room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts, Carol Westerman, Secretary and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

The meeting was called to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tom Wilson.

Highway – Timekeeping: The Highway Secretary gave a presentation to those in attendance on the multiple forms that are maintained by the Highway Department in regards to the daily work logs for employees.

Ordinance 2017-23 – Overtime Policy – Highway: Discussion followed in regards to the proposed Ordinance 2-17-23, an ordinance amending the County of Franklin, Indiana Personnel Policies Handbook, for overtime calculations. All employees will be paid 1 ½ times for all hours in excess of 40 hours per week. Personal Days and Comp time leave will be added to “actual hours worked” or a part of the 40 hour per week calculation. This will cost the County more money. The County has paid approximately \$23,000 so far this year for overtime.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2017-23 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson. Eric Roberts voted Nay. Motion carried 2-1. The Ordinance was not read in the record but is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Karla Bauman, Auditor – Capital Asset Policy – Auditor Bauman requested the help of the Commissioners in getting the County compliant with the handling of Capital Assets and reporting on the County’s Annual Financial Report. The reporting requirements changed back in 1999 with GASB 34. The County has not implemented either of the County’s Capital Asset Policy that went into effect in 2004 and amended in 2007. Tom Linkel suggested the Auditor contact the Highway Engineer to see what program he uses for the infrastructure assets. Mr. Roberts stated that former auditors have tried to implement the changes but the department heads did not cooperate. Auditor Bauman is looking to move from the paper/pen record keeping processes and getting it computerized. Computerization is necessary to deal with the required depreciation of the assets. Auditor Bauman will report back.

Approve Minutes – October 31, 2017: Motion to approve October 31, 2017 minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Approve Claims: Motion to approve Claims by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Approve Payroll: Motion to approve Payroll by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2017-37 – 2018 Commissioners’ Meeting Schedule: Motion to approve Resolution 2017-37, 2018 Commissioners’ Meeting Schedule by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2017-38 – 2018 Payroll Schedule: Motion to approve 2017-38, 2018 Payroll Schedule by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2017-39 – 2018 Holiday Schedule: Motion to approve 2017-39, 2018 Holiday Schedule by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

LPA – Consulting Contract – Durham Engineering, Inc.: Tom Linkel moved to approve and sign the contract with Durham Engineering, subject to INDOT approval, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried. The contract price is \$176,709.

Sound System for meeting room: Motion to approve \$450 increase for the sound system quote received by Jim Kolb for the meeting room, by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Public Comments: The following items were discussed: Electrical and conduit issues on the Courthouse lawn, lights in the courtroom will need scaffolding and perhaps switching to LED, two heat pumps have gone out (try to push into next year’s budget), pop off valve on boiler got stuck and 400 gallons of glycol went down the drain, the highway would like additional electric in building to plug trucks in, two heaters are out there as well and highway will need a skid loader next year. Questions about the EMA generator just sitting down there not being used and it should be operational. Mr. Roberts will turn in an additional for what he thinks the “wish list” items will cost.

Sara Duffy asked about the employee’s portion for the health insurance premium. Mr. Roberts said the employee family premium paid has not changed in nine years. Mr. Linkel would like to get a facebook page for the highway department to use. River Road project is on hold until the slide is fixed.

Mr. Linkel gave a short reporting on the closed roads since Sunday’s rains.

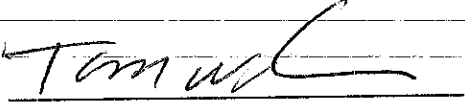
Wayne Monroe inquired about the claim for Kings Asphalt in the sum of \$4,600 that the Commissioners allowed at this meeting.

Others Present: Wayne Monroe, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Betty C. Lecher, James Sprague, Daryl Kramer and Sara Duffy.

Minutes approved for November 7, 2017.

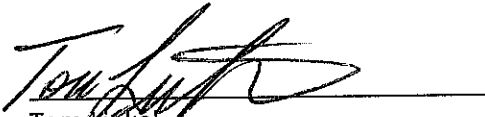
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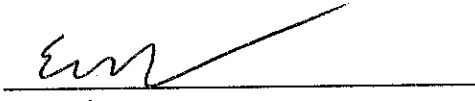
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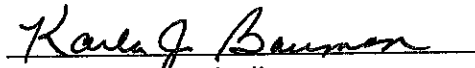
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Attested By:



Karla J. Bauman, Auditor

Dated this 14th day of November, 2017.