FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
JUNE 19, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on June 19, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Eric Roberts, Carol Westerman and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

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

Cathy Pelsor – Public Transportation – 2019 Grant Application: Cathy Pelsor presented to the Commissioners the 2019 Grant Operating Agreement. **Motion by Tom Linkel to have Tom Wilson sign the 2019 Public Transportation Operating Agreement, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.** Agreement was signed by all parties.

Joe Copeland, FC Engineer – Updates: Mr. Copeland discussed with the Commissioners the NRCS grant for Mr. Schmidt that was approved. There is a lot of paperwork that needs to be reviewed. One item of importance is the agreement with Mr. Schmidt about paying for both the project and engineering. No action was taken at this time.

Mr. Copeland also requested approval from the Commissioners to do soil borings at a few bridges for design. They are:
Culvert HI-3601 on Co. Line Road over Blue Creek
Br. 72 on Last Road over Walnut Fork of Laughery Creek
Br. 69 on Pocket Road over Little Laughery Creek
Br. 42 on Snail Creek Road over Snail Creek
Culvert BR-0303 on Richland Creek Road over Branch of Richland Creek.

The Commissioners agreed it was okay to get some prices on these.

Mr. Copeland further requested approval to apply for a safety grant for safety equipment from IPEP. The grant is up to $10,000 and paid at 80%. The application deadline is June 30. Mr. Roberts inquired if there were any Railroad Crossing Grants available for railroad signs. Mr. Copeland stated that INDOT is responsible for railroad signs.

Mr. Copeland is also preparing to closeout the Community Crossing Bridge Grant. Mr. Linkel stated that the Highway Department is putting in a $5,000 request for additional appropriation for overtime and will be doing a transfer from Salt to Contractual Services, however we will only do this if County Council is willing to approve a Salt additional in the near future.

Commissioners also discussed at this time which employees of Franklin County Government would be required to be subject to random drug testing and which employees are already

subject to it. Currently only employees holding a CDL are randomly drug tested. No further changes were made at this time.

Approve Minutes – June 5, 2018: Motion to approve the June 5, 2018 minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

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

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

Approve Payroll Deduction Claims: Motion to approve the payroll deduction claims by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

VSO, Treasurer & Clerk May, 2018 report: Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Veteran Officer, Treasurer and Clerk May, 2018 reports, by Tom Wilson, seconded Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.

Request to Junk/Scrap Capital Asset – Sheriff Dept: The Franklin County Sheriff has filed a request to remove computers from the County's Capital Asset Inventory. All hard drives have been removed. **Motion to remove the computers from the County's Capital Asset Inventory list by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.**

Ordinance 2018-__ - An Ordinance Amending Order (Ordinance) 2012-27 For Franklin County: Bill Schirmer presented to Commissioners a request for them to amend Ordinance 2012-27, eliminating the #2(c) which requires the Franklin County Redevelopment Commission to get the written consent of any property owner before they may include them in a tax allocation area. The Commission is interested in extending the current TIF district (Golden Road) to the other side of the county through what is called a "ribbon TIF". Various parcels will be added and it will all be connected by the roads. There was much discussion on the administration of TIF presently by the Auditor's office. The Auditor expressed much concern with the computer software provided by LOW was currently handling the Brookville TIF District, in particular with the inability to maintain the initial based assessed values of the parcels when it was established in 2013. Residential properties are being included and incremental values being captured as well as 13 parcels that are County parcels, not Town. Commissioners agreed that the issues with the Computer programming needs to be fixed first and requested that the Auditor file an additional at the July County Council meeting for that purpose. **Motion to leave Ordinance 2012-27 in place as written by Eric Roberts.** After more discussion, the motion died due to a lack of a second. Mr. Linkel believes that the property owners should at the minimum, have the option to "opt" out of the TIF allocation area if they want to. He also stated that all property owners would still need to receive adequate notice. It was not enough to just post a sign on the door advertising the meeting. Commissioners agree with creating a "Ribbon TIF" and would like the Ordinance to include property owner notification requirements and a way to "opt out"
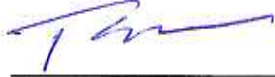
if they so desire. **Motion to table this for further review by Tom Linkel, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.**

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Minutes approved July 2, 2018.

Others Present: Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Betty C. Lecher, Joe Copeland, Sara Duffy, Perry Knox (SJCA Engineers), Matthew Neuman, John Palmer, Cathy Pelsor, Makenna Mays, Bill Schirmer and Marty Han (E & H Bridge).

AYES:	NAYS:
Tom Wilson	Tom Wilson
Tom Linkel	Tom Linkel
Eric Roberts	Eric Roberts

Attested By: _Karla J. Bauman_
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Franklin County Auditor