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FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
April 20, 2021- 6:00 P.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on April 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Tom Linkel, Gerald Wendel, Faye Hay, Commissioner's Secretary and Karla Bauman Auditor.

OPEN: The meeting was called to order and the pledge of allegiance was led by Tom Linkel.

County Line Road: Attorney Grant Reeves has been negotiating with the other parties involved on the maintenance of County Line Road. Commissioner Linkel stated that he was back to the original plan of maintaining the road with the minimum work performed by the highway. Commissioners will revisit this issue at their May 4, 2021 meeting.

Resolution 2021-08 – Ordinance amending County Vacation Policy for Returning Employees: Commissioners approved Resolution 2021-08 at their March 9, 2021 meeting. A revised copy of that resolution was presented to Commissioners for signature with the amendments they approved at their March 9th meeting.

Ordinance 2021-02 – an Ordinance Establishing Residential Addresses: This ordinance will replace Ordinance 95-6 for establishing residential addresses in Franklin County, Indiana from the surveyor's office to Plan Commission pursuant to Indiana law. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-02 for residential addresses to be established by the Plan Commission by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Emergency Relief Quarter 3, Operating Assistance 100% Federal Share, Public Transportation (CARES): Commissioners reviewed the reimbursement claim for the 3rd quarter in the amount of \$110,657.00 for the Public Transportation. **Motion to approve the reimbursement claim for emergency relief quarter 3 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.**

Public Transportation – 2022 Operating/Capital Application: **Motion to approve the 2022 Operating and Capital application on behalf of Public Transportation by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.** The County's match will be \$35,000.00.

Small Animal Control Policy: A policy to address impounded animals in neglect cases was presented for the Commissioner's review. The required bond will be filed with the Clerk's office. **Motion to approve the small animal control policy for neglected animals by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Request for Capital Asset Change – Auditor: The Auditor has requested that two monitors be removed from her inventory due to them being recently fried from an electrical surge. **Motion to approve the request of the Auditor to remove two monitors from her inventory by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Main Street Letter – Event Dates – Michele Russell: Michele Russell, President of Main Street Brookville, requested to display a canoe on the courthouse lawn May 1st – July 10th and to have the November Noel on November 20th, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. **Motion to approve the display of a**

canoe on the courthouse lawn May 1st thru July 10th and to hold the November Noel on November 20th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Rob Seig, Surveyor: Reported to Commissioners that all additional costs incurred/billed for the Jeff Myers ditch have been paid in full.

Reimbursable Agreement for SEI REMC, River Road/Gobles Creek Project – Larry Smith: Larry Smith, Franklin County Engineer presented Commissioners with an agreement with Southeastern Indiana REMC for relocating the existing electric poles on Gobles Creek Road for bridge replacement (No. 173) in the amount of \$15,547.78. **Tom Linkel moved to deny approval of the agreement with Southeastern Indiana REMC, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.**

CARES Reimbursement Act: Auditor Bauman discussed with Commissioners the remaining invoices that were still outstanding but commissioners already approved last fall. She further stated that we had approximately \$250,000 remaining in the CARES Act Fund and approximately \$50,000 still outstanding.

American Rescue Plan (Grant Monies) – Ordinance 2021-03: Commissioners reviewed Ordinance 2021-03, An ordinance establishing the ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Grant Fund, which is required before the County can receive the first portion of the ARP funds. The State is expected to send out the first round of funds in the amount of 2.2 million sometime in early May. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-03, an ordinance establishing the ARP grant fund by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Extension Contractual Services Agreement: Commissioners reviewed an amended service agreement contract with Purdue University in the amount of \$44,820.00. **Motion to approve the service agreement with Purdue University in the amount of \$44,820.00 by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Clerk's Report – March, 2021: Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk's report for March, 2021 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – March 2021: Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report for March, 2021 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Minutes – March 23, 2021: Motion to approve the March 23rd minutes by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, motion carried. Tom Linkel abstained.

Claims, Payroll and Deductions: Motion to approve claims for April 6th in the amount of \$541,254.30 and April 20th in the amount of \$588,641.74 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the April 6th payroll in the amount of \$180,306.83 and payroll deductions in the amount of \$54,604.32, by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the April 23rd payroll in the amount of \$196,425.45 and deductions in the amount of \$59,810.32 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting was recessed for 10 minutes.


Amendments to Franklin County Zoning Code - Commissioners held an evening meeting so that the public could attend and discuss the proposed amendments to the Franklin County Zoning Code in regards to alternative energy systems, both residential and commercial. A list of those from the public that spoke against solar farms on prime agricultural land is attached hereto. Commissioners will have a special meeting on April 26th at 10:00 a.m. to finalize the proposed amendments to be sent back to the APC.


Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-04, agricultural management for alternative energy systems by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.


Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-05, commercial alternative energy systems by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.


Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-06, residential alternative energy systems by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Others in attendance: See attached lists.

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Tom Linkel


Gerald Wendel


Tom Wilson

ATTESTED BY:  LSH
Karla J. Bauman, Auditor

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Tom Linkel

Gerald Wendel

Tom Wilson

Online Attendees

April 20, 2021

6:30pm

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Sara Duffy

Jonathan Kopp

Reed Davis

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David Mannix

Linda

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Paula Keller

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Galaxy S21 Ultra

No solar Andy

Wayne

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Paul Cummings

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Angela Hendricks

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ATTENDANCE SHEET PLEASE PRINT

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| 1. <u>Missy Katz</u> | 16. <u>Kim Ramsey</u> |
| 2. <u>Robert Wilhelm</u> | 17. <u>Roger Bommer</u> |
| 3. <u>John Wilhelm</u> | 18. <u>Herald Brunz</u> |
| 4. <u>Rob Sorg</u> | 19. _____ |
| 5. <u>Bridget Hayes</u> | 20. _____ |
| 6. <u>Elissa Wafe</u> | 21. _____ |
| 7. <u>Kate Maddock</u> | 22. _____ |
| 8. <u>Traci Robinson</u> | 23. _____ |
| 9. <u>Jennifer Marcum</u> | 24. _____ |
| 10. <u>Kevin Marcum</u> | 25. _____ |
| 11. <u>Ann Hix</u> | 26. _____ |
| 12. <u>Kay Maddock</u> | 27. _____ |
| 13. <u>Gloria Hess</u> | 28. _____ |
| 14. <u>Jean Siefert</u> | 29. _____ |
| 15. <u>Glen Brunz</u> | 30. _____ |