



**FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2020, – 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203**

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on February 25, 2020 at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioners/Council meeting room. Those present were Tom Wilson, Gerald Wendel, Tom Linkel, Carol Westerman and Karla Bauman, Auditor.

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

John Palmer – Broadband: Mr. Palmer was not present at the meeting.

Mary Mattingly, WRBI – Proclamation: Mary Mattingly with Safe Passage came before the Commissioners to request that they sign a Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month Proclamation. She explained to them what programs Safe Passage does on behalf of teenagers in this regard as well as what Safe Passage does for the community. **Motion to sign the Proclamation on Teen Dating Violence Awareness by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Angie Ruther, RN – Amend Ordinance 2008-15 (Tattoo Parlors): Angie Ruther, RN, came before the Commissioners to have Ordinance 2008-15 amended. The county has one legal tattoo shop and one that does cosmetology type services. Ms. Ruther explained the various procedures that are offered by the cosmetologist. The ordinance amendment will cover anything that pierces the skin. The Health Department does an annual inspection on both entities. **Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-04, amending Ordinance 2008-15, to cover the items that were just discussed by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Appointment – Health Board (Dr. Darrell Brimhall): **Motion to appoint Dr. Darrell Brimhall as Franklin County Health Department for a 4-year term by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Quotes – Pole Building (Transfer Station): Commissioners received several quotes for the construction of a pole building (for the highway) at the transfer station. **Motion to accept the quote from Kolter Brothers in the sum of \$7,500.00 by Gerald Wendel, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Ordinance 2020-05 Tort Claim Contingency Line: **Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-05 adding Tort Claim Contingency account line to commissioner's budget by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

ETC Contract – EMA Director Phone: This is a contract to add a cellular add-on for the EMA Director. **Motion to approve the cellular add-on for the EMA Director in the sum of \$20.00 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Appointment – Cemetery Board (Chuck Grimes): Don Dunaway has retired from the Franklin County Cemetery Board. **Motion to appoint Chuck Grimes to the Franklin County Cemetery Board by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Approve Minutes – February 11, 2020: **Motion to approve the February 11, 2020 minutes by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Claims: **Motion to pay the claims in the amount of \$556,088.35 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Payroll & Payroll Deductions: **Motion to approve the February 14, 2020 by Tom Linkel, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried. Motion to approve the February 28, 2020 payroll and payroll deductions in the sum of \$180,540.78 by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Treasurer’s Monthly Report (January, 2020): Commissioner Wilson read the bank balances in the various county bank accounts as shown on the Treasurer’s January report. **Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer’s January, 2020 monthly report.**

Clerk’s Monthly Report (January, 2020): **Motion to acknowledge receipt of the Clerk’s January, 2020 monthly report by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

EMA Weekly Report: Commissioner Wilson acknowledged receiving the weekly report from Amy Lindsey, EMA Director.

US 52 Slide Project: Commissioner Linkel stated that US 52 slide project is scheduled to begin on March 4th. The highway will be closed to traffic, however they will let the Sheriff and emergency vehicles thru.

Mildred Simmermeyer asked Commissioners who was in charge of the highway department. Commissioners stated that Larry Smith, County Engineer is the superintendent over the highway and oversees the day to day operations. Gerald Wendel is the ADA director. Commissioner Wilson stated that Steven Meyers is walking across the Country for PTSD awareness and will be coming thru Metamora on March 6th. He is suggesting a show of community support and a Sheriff escort if deputies are available.

Larry Smith, County Engineer stated that the final inspection has been done on the Causeway Bridge and he recommends signing the final inspection report. **Motion to sign final inspection for Causeway Bridge by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Larry Smith also stated that he had completed the proposed equipment list for county council and that there is not enough bridge money. He will be attending council's meeting.

Doug Graf updated the commissioners on the River Road/Gobles Creek project. It is ongoing but on schedule. Mike Fehlinger was in attendance and asked why permission could not be given to save his land and asked when would a new bridge be built. Mr. Graf stated that the original bank needs to be put back and the stream flow re-established to the same condition as before the violation occurred.

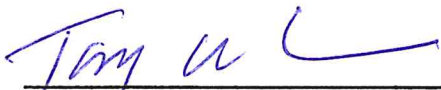
Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Others Present: Fayette Hay, Sara Duffy, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Betty C. Lecher, R. Teufel, Wayne Monroe, Doug Graf, Brett Crutchfield, Mary Mattingly, Katie Gardner, Angie Ruther, Marty Hon, Glenn Bailey, Larry Smith and Mike Fehlinger.

Minutes approved March 3, 2020.

AYES:

NAYS:



Tom Wilson

Tom Wilson



Gerald Wendel

Gerald Wendel



Tom Linkel

Tom Linkel

Attested By: 

Karla J. Bauman, Franklin County Auditor