

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
October 31, 2017 – 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in regular meeting on October 31, 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.

Brian Gillen – Duke Energy: No show

Patriot Insurance – Property & Liability Quote: The quotes for various insurance coverage and costs were presented to the Commissioners for approval and signatures. The number of workmen compensation claims and equipment coverage are the reason the amount has gone up slightly over last year. **Motion to accept the quote from Patriot Insurance in the sum of \$229,641 by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Approve Minutes: **Motion to approve October 10, 2017 minutes by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Approve Payroll – October 27, 2017 Payout (Without prior board approval pursuant to ordinance due to October 24, 2017 meeting being cancelled.) **Motion to approve payroll by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Tom Linkel had some additional questions on the insurance in regards to the value of equipment and the value at the time of loss. Actual cash value is used for any loss on equipment.

Both the Veteran’s Officer Report and Treasurer’s Report for September, 2017, by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 2017 - : 2018 Holiday Schedule – Tabled – Will revisit at next meeting.

Resolution 2017 - : 2018 Payroll Schedule – Tabled – Will revisit at next meeting.

Resolution 2017-: 2018 Commissioners Meeting Schedule – Tabled – Will revisit at next meeting. Commissioners will think about how many meetings to have each month, two or three.

Ordinance 2017 - : Overtime Policy Highway – After much discussion, no action on ordinance until some language is changed. The proposed change to the overtime pay is for “comp hours” to be included in the actual hours worked for calculating the total number of hours worked in a week for overtime purposes. Mr. Roberts stated that he thought the proposed changes were too generous. Auditor Bauman expressed concerns with the language that if funds were not approved to pay overtime, an employee would be given comp time instead. She was

concerned about an employee not agreeing in advance to that arrangement and insisting on receiving overtime pay. FLSA gives that choice to the employee, not the employer.

LPA – Consulting Contract – Durham Engineering, Inc.: Tabled until November 7th meeting.

Change Order #1 for Bridge #133 River Road in the amount of \$4,145 for removing buried retaining wall that they did not know was there by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried.

Commitment Letters – Federal Aid Application – Blue Creek: Motion to deny this commitment letter by Eric Roberts, seconded by Tom Linkel, all in favor, motion carried

Commitment Letters – Federal Aid Application - #31 Hamburg – After much discussion as to whether or not there would be sufficient money in 2021, **motion by Eric Roberts to sign the commitment letter, seconded by Tom Linkel, motion carried 2-1. Tom Wilson voted no.**

Title VI Commitment Letter – FHWA Grants: This Commitment letter is in regards to certain ADA criteria. **Motion by Tom Linkel to sign the Commitment letter, seconded by Eric Roberts, all in favor, motion carried.** Commissioners would like to see progress on this in 2018.

GIS Data Request – GAI Consultants: Motion to approve GIS data request by GAI Consultants made by Tom Wilson, seconded by Tom Linkel. Motion carried 2-1. Eric Roberts voted no. Mr. Roberts voted no due to no information provided on how this would benefit the county. The \$750 fee was waived.

Eckstein Roofing – Quote from Eckstein Roofing for buzzard damage to Government Center roof for \$11,600. **Motion for Eric Roberts to sign Eckstein Roofing Quote for \$11,600 to repair roof by Tom Linkel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.**

John Estridge asked questions about the comp time for highway employees and the county's ability to track it. Auditor Bauman stated there presently is no tracking in her office for individual offices. She is looking into tracking that again as was done in the past.

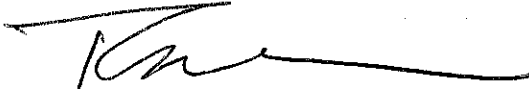
Sara Duffy asked if the County employees' portion of the health insurance premiums for next year will be changed. Presently there are no plans to change the premium collected from the employees, but the Commissioners are open to discussing and reviewing it.

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

Others Present: Mark R. Simmermeyer, Mildred I. Simmermeyer, Ryan Hartzler, John Estridge, Marissa Lane, Sara Duffy, Wayne Monroe, James Sprague and Marty Hon-E&H Bridge.

Minutes Approved for October 10, 2017.

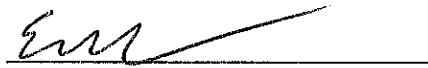
AYES:



Tom Wilson



Tom Linkel



Eric Roberts


NAYS:

Tom Wilson

Tom Linkel

Eric Roberts

Attested By:



Karla J. Bauman, Franklin County Auditor

Dated this 7th day of November, 2017.