

FRANKLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING
August 10, 2021 - 10:00 A.M.
COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM, #203

The Franklin County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on Aug. 13, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commissioners/Council Meeting Room. Those presents were Tom Wilson, Gerald Wendel, Faye Hay and Karla Bauman, Auditor and Jen Hoog. Tom Linkel was absent.

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

Opening of Bids for the cyclical Reassessment contract-Brenda Eckerle, Assessor: The Assessor received two bids for the cyclical reassessment. Commissioner Wilson accepted the two bids. Brenda Eckerle will review the bids to make sure they include the bid specifications. She will inform the commissioners at their next meeting which bid she would like to accept. **Motion to accept both bids for review by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Franklin County Transportation – 4th Quarter: Motion to allow Gerald Wendel to sign the 4th Quarter report for Public Transportation by Tom Wilson, seconded Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Amy Lindsey, EMA Grants:

1. **County Hazardous Materials Plan-** contractor will update our county hazardous materials plan for \$5,790.
2. **After-action Plan for Hazardous Materials Exercise-**Contractor will plan, conduct and create an after-action plan for a hazardous materials exercise for the sum of \$4,000.00.

Motion to accept both grants for the County Hazardous Materials Plan in the sum of \$5,790.00 and the after-action Plan for Hazardous Materials Exercise by Tom Wilson, seconded Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

EMS contract extension for Covid Test Site (\$50,000)- Dr. Jetmore: Dr. Jetmore the interim health officer for the Health Department offered to sign the contract. The Commissioners asked that the Health Department get with Grant Reeves to type up a new contract for the EMS to sign.

CRI Grant- Dr. Jetmore: Eugena Monroe the Grant coordinator said that this grant is for cities not counties, so we will not be getting this Grant.

Treasurer's and Clerk's Monthly report for July 2021: Motion to acknowledge the July monthly report for the Treasurer and the July monthly report for the Clerk by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes for July 27, 2021: Motion to approve the minutes for July 27, 2021, by Gerald Wendel, seconded by Tom Wilson, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting Minutes for Executive Session July 30, 2021: Sara Duffy asked what the executive session was about. They informed her it was about Route 1 and the INDOT building in town. The executive session was a meeting held with the Town of Brookville Council. They will be able to talk more on it when they receive the contract from the State. **Motion to accept the Executive Session Meeting minutes for July 30, 2021 by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Claims, Payroll/Deductions for August 13, 2021: Claims to be approved in the amount of \$310,955.57 and Payroll/Deductions to be approved for \$191,208.75. **Motion to approve the claims and payroll/deductions by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Other Business:

Millie Simmermeyer: Wanted to know if the Health Insurance is going to go up for the county. Commissioner Wilson said we will have the dollar amount next week. She also wanted to know why the Covid shot is advertised as free when they charge your insurance for the shot. Mille said she went to MMCH for the shot. Eugena Monroe for the Health Department said if you come into the County Health Department, they run it as no insurance. Mille also asked if the Health Department has the booster shot available. The booster shot will only be with Pfizer, but it has not been approved yet.

Mike Fehlinger - River Rd. and Gobles Creek: Mr. Fehlinger wanted to know if anything has been approved for the bridge yet. Larry Smith said they are still working on permits. The plans for the bridge are done but they still need to get parcels of property so they have the right of way for the bridge. Commissioners asked Mr. Fehlinger if he knows of any land owners willing to donate property to the County. Mr. Seig will show Mr. Fehlinger the plans after the meeting.

County Commissioners: Commissioners read a statement expressing it is an individual right as to whether or not one wants to wear a mask or receive the vaccine. They feel the citizens of Franklin County can make intelligent decisions about what is best for themselves and their families.

Larry Smith: He wanted to let the Commissioners know that they have received a couple of bids on Bridge Inspections.

Tom Wilson: He stated that they passed the Unsafe/Unkept Nuisance Property Ordinance They would like for someone to investigate the property at 16195 US 52. This is land that is owned by Andrew Matthews. **Motion to investigate the property at 16195 US 52 by Tom Wilson, seconded by Gerald Wendel, all in favor, motion carried.**

Rob Seig: - Reid Health Building: Reid is building a new building on Rt. 1 and some of the neighbors are worried about the drainage in that area after they build on the property. There are already drainage issues in this area.

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

Others Present: Please see the attached paperwork: Due to some signatures unable to be read and online people we have combined the sheet.

Minutes approved August 24, 2021.

AYES:

NAYS:



Tom Wilson

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Tom Linkel

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ATTESTED BY: *Karla J. Bauman*
Karla J. Bauman, Auditor