REGULAR MEETING

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

November 7, 2024

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana met in Regular Session on November 7, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. in Room 103, Clark County Government Building, in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Bryan Glover, Connie Sellers and Jack Coffman, Attorney Scott Lewis, Auditor Danny Yost and Commissioners' Assistant Sabrina Corbin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bryan Glover. Prayer was led by Jack Coffman.

Approval of the Minutes

Commissioner Coffman motioned to approve the October 24, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Auditor Danny Yost presented the claims and payroll for November 7, 2024. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve the claims and payroll. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

Commissioner Coffman motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

I. Public Comments:

Sandy Basham- Sandy was present to follow up on her previous public comments regarding solar contracts and solar nuisance. She was able to provide numbers for how far committee member's homes would be from a solar array using Elevate. The average setback distance for a lessee will be 800 feet from their home. The current proposal from the Pro Solar Group lists the setback for properties with solar on one to two sides at 300 feet; 3 sides at 650; and 4 sides at 750. The anti-Solar group's proposal would set the setback for 500 for 1 side and 550 for 2 sides. Sandy provided sample calculations that could help understand the impact for different setbacks.

Christina Horsley- Christina was present to discuss solar. The individuals who are pro-solar will not have the same impact as their neighbors due to the distance of their home from their property lines. She hopes this will be taken into consideration.

Kelly Khuri- Kelly was present to ask if the Commissioners keep record of petitions to create fire districts. These petitions occurred in the 1990's. Attorney Scott Lewis explain that these records may be stored in the Courthouse basement, however this was before the current Commissioners' terms. Kelly stated that it upsets her to observe the wildlife decrease in Clark County. She hopes Clark County can protect the wildlife and nature aspects of the county.

II. New Business:

- A. Commissioner Glover opened a public hearing regarding Ordinance 27-2024, an ordinance approving an amendment to the Clark County Zoning map on favorable recommendation by the Clark County Plan Commission. Attorney Alex Gaddis was present on behalf of the petitioner. The proposed rezoning would change the property located at 1218 Charlestown Memphis Road from AG-Agricultural to AE-Agricultural Estate. This would allow the petitioner to utilize a special exception that would allow him to operate a group home. A group home is already in operation and will continue however by changing the zoning, it will strengthen the restrictions the home can provide to protect the participants as well as the community. Kelly Khuri asked what the AE zoning entailed. Eric Wise, Director of Planning and Zoning, explained that the AE Zoning would restrict the agricultural uses which would be appropriate for this residential area. Commissioner Glover closed the public hearing. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve Ordinance 27-2024. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- **B.** Commissioner Glover presented the Charlestown Pike Widening & Resurfacing Project Bid Openings. The county received the following sealed bids:
 - 1. Dave Omara Contractor with the full bid amount being \$2,984,375.00 and the Bid Alternate 1 amount being -\$57,548.00.

- 2. E&B Paving with the full bid amount being \$4,424,500.00 and the Bid Alternate 1 amount being -\$110,000.00
- 3. Hall Paving with the full bid amount being \$3,408,047.87 and the Bid Alternate 1 amount being -\$104,000.00.
- 4. Louisville Paving Company, Inc. with the full bid amount being \$3,959,000.00 and the Bid Alternate 1 amount being -\$133,111.00.
- 5. MAC Construction and Excavating with the full bid amount being \$3,773,000.00 and the Bid Alternate 1 amount being -\$120,000.00.

Commissioner Sellers made a motion to accept the bids, take the bids under advisement, and to wait for recommendation from United Consulting. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

- C. Commissioner Glover presented the Landfill Service Ditch Project Bids. The bids were opened at the publicly advertised Department Head meeting on Wednesday October 30, 2024. The county received two bids for this project. The first bid was from Lawyer Excavation Inc, in the amount of \$334,130.43. The second bid was from Temple and Temple Excavating and Paving in the amount of \$528,283.00. Jacobi, Toombs, and Lanz reviewed the bids and recommend that the Commissioners award the bid to Lawyer Excavation. Their bid was the lowest and they were responsive to the bid technical requirements. Commissioner Coffman motioned to award the bid and approve the contract with Layer Excavation in the amount of \$334,130.43 for the Landfill Service Ditch Project. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- D. Attorney Scott Lewis presented the TMA Business Personal Property Audit Services Agreement requested by the Assessor's Office. TMA assists the Assessor's Office with auditing Business Personal Property Assessments as set forth in Indiana Code. The current 3-year contract with TMA is expiring. The proposed agreement would be effective at signing, and is for an additional 3-year period to continue this service. The amount TMA receives is based on the assessed value of the property they discover. Commissioner Coffman motioned to approve TMA Business Personal Property Audit Services Agreement with and effective date of November 7, 2024, for a 3-year period. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

- E. Attorney Scott Lewis presented the eScribe-Client Subscription Agreement for livestreaming services. Commissioners' Assistant Sabrina Corbin did extensive research regarding Livestreaming and presented her findings at the last Commissioners' meeting. The Commissioners decided at the last meeting to move forward with her recommendation, eScribe. The proposed 3-year contract includes a one-time implementation fee of \$6,450.00 and an annual subscription fee of \$24,500. The annual fee includes the cost for closed captioning. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve the proposed eScribe-Client Subscription three year agreement with a one-time implementation fee of \$6,450.00 and an annual subscription fee of \$24,500. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- **F.** Attorney Scott Lewis presented the Purdue Extension Contractual Services Agreement. It is required by Indiana Code to provide 4-H extension services. The amount of the contract, \$137,920, was included in the approved budget. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approved the Purdue Extension Contractual Services Agreement for 2025 in the amount of \$137,920. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- G. Attorney Scott Lewis presented the GIS Subscription Fund Request from the Auditor's Office. The request is to spend \$25,000 from the GIS Subscription Fund for EagleView Pictometry as set forth in the Interlocal Agreement for Pictometry. Commissioner Coffman motioned to approve the GIS Subscription Fund Request from the Auditor's Office in the amount of \$25,000. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- **H.** Commissioner Glover presented the 2025 Claim Schedule. Commissioner Sellers motioned to approve the 2025 Claim Schedule. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- I. Commissioner Glover presented the 2025 Department Head Meeting Dates. Commissioner Coffman motioned to approve the 2025 Department Head Meeting Dates. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

III. Old Business: None.

IV. Reports:

- **A. Auditor**: Auditor Danny Yost presented the Treasurer's Report. Commissioner Sellers motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report into the Record. Commissioner Coffman seconded. Motion approved 3-0.
- B. Attorney: None.
- C. Highway Department: County Engineer Brian Dixon stated that there is a scheduled deck pour for Bridge 400 on November 8, 2024. This project should be complete mid-December.

The water line tie-in for the Stacy Road Project is scheduled for November 12, 2024. MAC Construction will be sending a letter explaining that they are behind schedule due to delays from Indiana American.

- **D.** Sheriff: A representative from the Sheriff's Office stated that the current jail population is 473 and 33 are Federal Inmates.
- E. Elected Officials & Department Heads: None.
 - V. Other Business: None.
 - VI. Public Comments: None.
- **VII. Adjournment:** Commissioner Glover entertained a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Coffman motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Sellers seconded. Motion approved 3-0.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF

CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA

BRYAN GLOVER, PRESIDENT

CONNIE SELLERS, VICE PRESIDENT

SIGNED THIS DAY November 21, 242/9

ATTEST:

DANNY YOST, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR