

MIAMI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
25 N BROADWAY
PERU, IN 46970
May 20, 2019

Commissioner Hunt called the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners to order. All Commissioners are present.

MINUTES

Commissioner West made a motion to approve the 5/6/19 minutes. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

PAYROLL

Commissioner West made a motion to approve payroll. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

CLAIMS

Commissioner West made a motion to approve claims. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT

Commissioner Hunt read the following public notice.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Commissioners for Miami County, Indiana, will hold a public hearing on the 20th day of May, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., in the G.A.R. Room of the Miami County Courthouse, 25 N. Broadway Street, Peru, Indiana, for the purpose of considering an expenditure of Community Crossings Grant monies for the following project:

Cleaning the existing roadway, patching, wedge and leveling as necessary to correct crown and grade, and a structural overlay for strength and to create an impervious surface on the following roadways:

- CR 900 South, \$144,900;
- Timber Trail, \$24,200;
- Egypt Hill Drive, \$26,800;
- Frontage Road south of CR 1350 South, \$24,600

Additional details regarding the project may be obtained at the office of the Miami County Engineer, whose office is located in at 35 German Street, Peru, Indiana during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Members of the public are cordially invited to attend the hearing for the purpose of expressing their views.

Kenneth Einselen
Miami County Engineer
765-473-7125, ext. 9

Engineer Einselen explained any project in excess of \$100,000.00 must go to a public hearing and the Board of Commissioner must then decide if the project is financially feasible. The board received the estimates for the projects as listed above. Engineer Einselen noted that if the county contracted the work out, the county would not receive any Community Crossings Grant reimbursement. Commissioner Musselman made a motion to close the public meeting. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Commissioner West made a motion for the county to perform all the work for CR 900 South, Timber Trail, Egypt Hill Drive and Frontage Road south of CR 1350 South. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

HIGHWAY

Engineer Einselen presented an LPA claim voucher for \$9,288.04 for reimbursement on Bridge #159. Commissioner Musselman made a motion to approve Chairman Hunt to sign the voucher. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Engineer Einselen noted he recently attended a construction progress meeting for the Kelly Avenue Bridge. Engineer Einselen explained the joints were supposed to be poured the week prior, but due to the rain, they hoped to have them poured today. Engineer Einselen noted that once the joints are poured we should start to see more work on the deck above. Currently, they are not on schedule, but they can make up the lost time missed from the weather.

IT COMMITTEE

Jim Deniston, IT came before the board with a recommendation from the IT Committee to add the security piece to the security protocol renewal for \$18,959.81. Mr. Deniston explained that Howard County recently experienced a serious and costly issue with cyber-crime and this would add another level of protection to our own system. Mr. Deniston stated it would be a 3-year renewal and is already in the budget for this year. Commissioner West made a motion to accept the recommendation to add the security piece to the security protocol renewal. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Hunter came before the board to provide an update on the security system upgrade. Sheriff Hunter stated that the project is nearly complete and he is meeting with the president of Intrasect on Tuesday to discuss the revenue lost with not being able to house the out-of-county inmates and the additional overtime required to operate the jail. Sheriff Hunter explained that it was determined that the jail is 8 cameras short for coverage in all the cell blocks. The original paperwork shows 62 cameras, but because they are short in one area, it will cost an additional \$13,197.04. Sheriff Hunter noted that Intrasect should be financially responsible for the additional cameras because of the amount the county has spent on the project, the lost revenue from not housing out-of-county inmates and the additional overtime incurred. Sheriff Hunter hopes to come to an agreement at his meeting. Mr. Deniston stated that the RFQ provided on the project showed 62 cameras and Intrasect did not have details of where the cameras would go. Commissioner West noted the county needs to track the amount of money we have lost to ensure we are accounting correctly. Sheriff Hunter stated Mr. Deniston and his team have done a lot of work and a good job, but some issues need attention before the county gets the finalized bill. Sheriff Hunter went on to note that Intrasect hopes to have the project completed by the end of the week and final walk-through performed. Commissioner West stated that Intrasect might want the county to pay for the cameras and then settle-up later on any reimbursement. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the purchase of 8 additional cameras for \$13,197.04. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE

Steve Berg with BCR Elevator came before the board to offer their services for elevator maintenance. Mr. Berg noted that their company started in 2008 and purchased parts from another company, which would service the county's Fairhall elevators. They currently employ 12 people, service calls can range from 20 minutes to 2 hours, and they do offer 24 on-call service. BCR Elevator would offer a full monthly maintenance for \$200.00 or oil and grease for \$150.00. Mr. Berg will email a copy of the agreements to Auditor Brown. Commissioner West will get a copy of the current elevator maintenance agreement and compare to BCR.

EXTENSION OFFICE

Kim Frazier, 4-H Extension Office came before the board to request closure of the office on July 5th in order to allow the county staff to use any comp time accrued during the week of the 4-H Fair. Ms. Frazier stated that the staff works long hours and accrues a substantial amount of comp time and it would create less of a burden on the office to close for the day and use the accrued time, rather than having the employees take it later throughout the year. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the closure on July 5th. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

TRADITIONS GROUP

The board received a letter from Traditions Group offering their services to come review the mortar on the Courthouse. Commissioner West will contact the company for a follow-up.

OPEN BIDS

Commissioner Hunt opened bids from the following companies for the Community Crossings Grant project for chip and seal in Bennetts Switch and North Grove.

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| Phend & Brown | \$245,237.10 |
| Gaunt & Sons | \$198,310.85 |
| E & B Paving | \$234,954.25 |

Commissioner West made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Commissioner Musselman 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

WORK SESSION

Commissioner Hunt would like to schedule a work session with the Board of Commissioner and Council to discuss the energy savings project on May 30, 2019 at 6 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elaine Anderson requested an update on the Highway garage, specifically if the county hired anyone to do the mechanical inspection and if a decision was made on replacing the screws for the building. Commissioner Hunt stated that it was determined that it would do more damage to remove and replace the screws and the board agreed not to change them. Commissioner Hunt went on to note that the county did not hire someone to do the mechanical inspection, but there was supposed to be a generator test completed this week sometime. Commissioner Musselman stated that they are still waiting on AT & T to install the phone lines before they can move into the new building.

Ms. Anderson also requested an update on the Dam Litigation. Commissioner West stated that there was a briefing held last week. The Hidden Hills attorney spoke 1st, presenting his findings to the judge. The County Attorney presented why the county should not have an obligation or ownership. The DNR Attorney did not say much because they already presented their findings. All attorneys are required to have their facts and findings turned in to the judge by June 13th.

AWARD BIDS

Janice Hughes, Highway Bookkeeper stated that all documents for the Community Crossings bids were in order, with the exception of E & B Paving, which had a missing form. Commissioner West made a motion to approve the bid from Gaunt & Sons for \$198,310.85. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Musselman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner West 2nd the motion and it passed 3-0.

Adjourned

MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

_____, **Chairman**

Alan Hunt

_____, **Vice Chairman**

Larry West

_____, **Member**

Keith Musselman

Attest: _____, **Auditor**

Mary Brown