

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE DON ADAMS, KENNY HALE AND BRYAN COLLIER. DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; JOSH MESSMER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; DAN BASTIN, COUNTY AUDITOR; AND JIM WISCO, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

PLEDGE – *Bill Mitchell, Clay Township Trustee*

PRAYER/MOMENT OF SILENCE – *Don Adams requested a moment of silence for Brian Ringer, a retired Morgan County Sheriff’s Deputy that passed away suddenly.*

**CLAIMS**

Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the November 12 and November 24, 2021 payroll claims of \$655,513.29 and \$687,908.12; PERF \$58,816.90 and \$60,959.78; FICA \$47,499.80 and \$45,051.09; and monthly claims of \$1,669,389.40. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**ANNUAL MATERIAL BIDS**

Dan Bastin opened the annual material bids as follows:

<b>Class 1 - Gasoline</b>	No bids				
<b>Class 2 - Diesel Fuel</b>	No bids				
<b>Class 3 - Hot Bituminous (5,000 tons or less)</b>	<b>Milestone (District 3)</b>				
	FOB Plant				
Base	51.15				
Binder	57.00				
Surface	62.25				
<b>Class 4 - Liquid Asphalt</b>	<b>Asphalt Materials</b>				<b>Marathon Petroleum</b>
(per ton)	FOB Plant		Delivery		Plant    Storage
RS2 AE90	588.00		621.23		500.00    506.00
AE90S	660.00		693.23		545.00    553.84
AEF	520.00		561.23		
CM150	828.23				
CM300	848.23				
<b>Class 5 – Crushed Stone (per ton)</b>	<b>US Aggregates</b>		<b>Rogers Group</b>		<b>Jones Crushed Stone</b>
	Cloverdale	Deer Creek	Martinsville	Bloomington	Gosport
11	12.85	12.85	16.75	13.25	12.45
53	7.15	7.15	13.45	9.95	7.00
Rip Rap	10.15	N/A	16.95	13.35	13.95
<b>Class 6 – Culverts</b>	<b>Utility Pipe Sales</b>		<b>E 3 Bridge</b>		
12”X20’	Poly	252.60	14 ga 12”	28.79	
18”X20’	“	492.60	“ “ 18”	43.18	
30”X20’	“	1288.00	“ “ 30”	71.96	

Grant Collinsworth, Morgan County Highway Superintendent, stated that he would review the bids and report back at the next meeting.

### **SNOW REMOVAL QUOTES**

Mr. Collinsworth requested that the Board accept the quotes from Wallace for snow removal. These quotes were opened at the previous meeting. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the quotes from Wallace. Motion seconded by Bryan Collier. Motion carried 3-0.

### **ORDER ESTABLISHING PRECINCTS**

Don Adams stated that they had formed a small committee consisting of Stephanie Elliott, Morgan County Clerk; Josh Messmer, County Administrator; and himself, with the assistance of Vickie Kivett, Morgan County Council; and Banning Engineering. Josh Messmer stated that maps were available to view. Redistricting is done after every census. The first step for the county is to approve orders for the precinct, which go to the state, then there is a 10-day window for public comment. If there is no remonstrance, it can be approved; or if there is, the state will make the final decision on how the county moves forward. The redistricting for both the Council and Commissioner districts will need to be done by the end of the year. There was a public hearing on December 2<sup>nd</sup> so people could see the maps. The county hired a GIS firm so they could draw maps that are accurate, reflective, non-political and make the best sense for the county. A precinct cannot have less than 600 active voters or more than 2,000. Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the Order Establishing Precincts as presented. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **TAX CERTIFICATE SALE RESOLUTION**

Jim Wisco stated that the certificates did not sell at the fall tax sale. Dan Bastin stated that each year they have a tax sale for properties that have unpaid taxes of 18 months or more and each year there are some properties that are not bid on. The county may have a Commissioners Certificate Sale to offer for sale the properties that did not sell at the tax sale. There are 39 properties. The certificate sale differs from the tax sale in that the minimum bid at the tax sale is the unpaid taxes and the tax sale costs. With the certificate sale, the county may set the minimum bid. In the past, this has been \$50, and the auditor and treasurer recommend that they do the same this time. The desire is to get this property under the ownership of someone who will then keep the taxes current and improve the property. The certificate sale is set for Wednesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the Resolution Establishing the Intent to Conduct a Commissioners' Sale to Sell Tax Sale Certificates, the agreement with SRI, and the sales calendar. Motion seconded by Bryan Collier. Motion carried 3-0.

### **TAKE HOME VEHICLE**

Grant Collinsworth, Morgan County Highway Superintendent, requested approval of a take-home vehicle for a bridge crew superintendent. This is an on-call position and the other two bridge crew superintendents already have take-home vehicles. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the application. Motion seconded by Bryan Collier. Motion carried 3-0.

### **BULK USER AGREEMENT**

Jim Wisco stated that 36-2-7-10.1 regards purchases from the Records Office and Zillow alleges that the current contract violates code and has proposed a revision. There are three points they allege are problematic in the contract: they would be required to report to the Recorder if they violate a contract in another county; they want to clarify that they are able to share the documents with their subsidiaries; and they want to clarify that they extract data and don't redistribute the data as received. Mr. Wisco will recommend changes in the near future. Bryan Collier made a motion to table the issue until the next meeting. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – 10/19/21**

Don Adams noted that there was an Executive Session on October 19<sup>th</sup>. Jim Wisco stated that the Commissioners should have received a proposal as a result of that Executive Session and if the Board was in agreement, he would recommend that they approve the proposal. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the release agreement. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

### **BRIDGE #41**

Jim Wisco stated that he drafted a resolution to purchase four parcels that need to be acquired in order to complete the work on Bridge #41. Statements of Just Compensation have been completed. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Certain Real Property for Bridge #41, not to exceed \$25,000. Bryan Collier seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

**MONUMENT CLEANING**

Kenny Hale stated that the person he has been working with the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) regarding restoring and cleaning three monuments on the Courthouse Square had surgery and is not available. Mr. Hale stated that they will take this back up after the first of the year.

**MINUTES – 11/15/21**

Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the November 15, 2021 minutes. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTY**

Don Adams noted that at the Indiana Association of County Commissioners Conference held the first week in December, an award was given to Deb Verley, Executive Assistant to the Morgan County Board of Commissioners. Ms. Verley received the IACC 2021 Outstanding County Executive Assistant of the Year. Mr. Adams stated that he read several of the letters that were sent in support of the award and they very much showed their appreciation.

Kenny Hale stated that this Saturday from 11 to 2, Santa will be at Waverly Park. He will be arriving by fire truck and will be in the bank.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Bryan Collier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Don Adams

Attest:

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Kenny Hale

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Bryan Collier