

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.**

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

**PLEDGE**

PRAYER – *Kenny Hale*

**MINUTES**

Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the March 7, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**CLAIMS**

Tony Hinkle, Morgan County Highway Engineer, opened bids as follows:

NAME			Wallace	Milestone	E & B	Midwest	Low Bidder
<b>District I</b>	Miles	Inches					
Teeters	2.08	1.5	153,243.52	154,929.00	134,826.00	165,447.30	E&B
Dillman	1.68	1.5	147,701.66	142,359.35	128,534.90	149,455.82	E&B
Big Rock	1.05	1.5	87,160.38	87,674.00	79,629.00	88,990.40	E&B
Jenny Dr	0.25	1.5	28,601.92	36,130.00	28,442.00	37,314.70	E&B
Bear Wallow	1.10	1.5	111,604.80	103,620.50	92,940.50	108,670.20	E&B
Jones Place	0.20	1.5	23,964.14	25,790.00	21,436.00	25,015.60	E&B
Jessica Ln	0.19		23,076.39	24,845.00	20,843.00	23,943.60	E&B
Sedwick	2.79		233,408.16	224,236.00	201,498.00	230,595.80	E&B
<b>District II</b>							
Lewisville	1.52	1.5	150,815.22	142,220.10	131,299.80	143,868.42	E&B
Little Hurricane	2.63	1.5	224,702.86	213,680.00	201,137.00	223,619.80	E&B
Middle Patton	1.74	1.5	154,344.00	141,550.00	132,141.00	149,779.80	E&B
Runaround	0.54	1.5	43,651.14	51,344.00	41,845.00	46,633.20	E&B
McClure	1.39	1.5	119,610.25	117,903.00	109,039.00	120,484.70	E&B
Hall Road	1.50	1.5	156,658.00	148,952.00	138,862.00	153,794.30	E&B
Yale	1.00	1.5	97,730.80	91,238.00	86,753.00	94,644.90	E&B
<b>District III</b>							
Hill Top Ln	0.29	1.5	31,766.02	42,151.84	41,097.78	34,564.37	Wallace
Elm St	0.14	1.5	14,685.94	19,647.83	18,811.11	16,473.97	Wallace
Wellington	0.28	1.5	28,400.80	39,893.32	40,109.44	39,152.36	Wallace
Waverly	0.80	1.5	82,142.69	81,113.75	74,793.75	81,266.80	E&B
Watson	0.76	1.5	67,216.88	68,464.00	64,633.00	74,159.60	E&B
Forest Manor	0.31	1.5	21,375.60	28,640.00	28,270.00	27,005.60	Wallace
Ayrshire Cr	0.34	1.5	63,695.41	80,981.00	81,310.00	65,912.50	Wallace
Ayrshire Cr	0.37	1.5	70,043.32	89,032.00	86,603.00	71,710.60	Wallace
Heartland Blvd	0.02	1.5	7,474.00	18,950.00	10,000.00	5,198.10	Midwest

Don Adams made a motion to review bids and report back at the next meeting. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**REQUEST TO USE SPACE OUTSIDE COURTHOUSE**

Bethaney Latham. Representing RD Productions, was present to request the use of the Courthouse Square for access to electricity during the Martinsville free concert series on May 26, June 9, June 23, July 7 and July 21. Ms. Latham stated that they would put ramps down, as early as noon, so people and vehicles could still go over the lines. Bryan Collier asked if the businesses in the area had been informed of the plans. Ms. Latham stated that they have talked to 21 North. Jefferson Street will not be closed until noon and the stage will not be up until after then. Mayor Kenny Costin stated that he will ask that businesses are notified. Ms. Latham stated that they are not asking to close the parking area around the Courthouse until the time the concert would start, 7 pm. Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the request to set up for the concert series. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

**HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

Kenny Hale stated that this Hold Harmless Agreement is between FDIC (Fire Department

Instructors Conference) and Morgan County. This will be the fourth year since 2010 that they have worked with the county for training. They will be at Willowbrook utilizing three structures. Jim Wisco stated that he reviewed the agreement and it looks fine. Mr. Hale stated that this will be used as in-kind matching funds for two FEMA grants. Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the approve the Hold Harmless Agreement as presented. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **EMS PRECEPT AGREEMENT**

Keenan Blair, Morgan County EMS Director, requested approval of an agreement with Indiana University that mirrors the agreement with Ivy Tech that will allow students to gain clinical experience by working with Morgan County EMS. Mr. Wisco has reviewed the agreement and it has also been reviewed by the county's insurance broker. Bryan Collier made a motion to accept the agreement. Motion seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **DECORATIVE LIGHTING – I-69**

Tony Hinkle stated that this was brought up a couple meetings ago and he has confirmed that there are two lights. Mr. Hinkle asked for approval to request that INDOT increase the order by two lights to match the decorative lights on the Johnson County side. Bryan Collier made a motion to approve the request so there will be uniformity in the lights between Morgan and Johnson County. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Kenny Hale stated that the Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session last week. After some discussion regarding recent changes to the personnel policy, it was determined that the Board was not ready to take action. Don Adams made a motion to table any action. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 2-0-1. Bryan Collier abstained.

#### **TABLED ITEMS**

Appointments – Kenny Hale noted that there is an Executive Session scheduled for March 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss this.

Bulk User Agreement – Jim Wisco noted that this item is not ready.

Amendment 34 (EMA) - Jim Wisco noted that this item is not ready.

#### **TORT CLAIM**

Don Adams noted that both tort claims (Adams, Chadwick) were within the city limits of Martinsville and made a motion to forward them to insurance and the mayor. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **CREDIT CARD**

Dave Rogers, Morgan County Jail Commander, was present to request authorization for the Sheriff's Office to obtain a credit card. Mr. Rogers stated that most of the pharmacies in the area close after 10 pm and they have inmates that go to the hospital, come back, need prescriptions and they are not able to obtain them locally so they go to Indianapolis and this causes a problem without a credit card. They are not able to set up a net/30 account with CVS or Walgreens. Employees are paying for it themselves and then get reimbursed and this also causes problems. The jail also has specific maintenance and repair items that are obtained online, but they do not have a credit card to purchase the items. It has also been difficult to schedule training without a credit card. Bryan Collier asked that this be coordinated with the auditor. Don Adams made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Bryan Collier. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTY**

Bryan Collier stated that there are a lot of issues going on. It is great that they can get together and talk to work out differences and he was grateful for that. Mr. Collier stated that he was counting his blessings.

Don Adams stated that Bradford Woods held a free event for families on March 19<sup>th</sup> and they are an asset to the county. Purdue Road School was this past week and Mr. Adams stated that he appreciated the leadership that Tony Hinkle and Grant Collinsworth provided for the employees that attended for the benefit of the county. Kenny Hale stated that he appreciated that there was more than one representative present for the Highway Department.

Kenny Hale stated that the blacksmiths will be doing two Saturdays a month at Old Town Waverly Park. The 4-H will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month and adults will be on the second Saturday.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Kenny Hale

Attest:

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Bryan Collier

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Don Adams