

THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2017 AT 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, RYAN GOODWIN, AND BRIAN GOSS. DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR; AND ROD BRAY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

MOORESVILLE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Tim Currens, attorney appearing on behalf of the Mooresville Redevelopment Commission, stated that they are amending their plan to offer the option to be included in the economic development area to eight properties in case the area is annexed. This offer is optional for each property owner. Rod Bray stated that this is voluntary and each owner can opt out. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to incorporate the properties into the plan. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

VETERANS' SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

Rick Baum, Morgan County Veterans' Service Officer, handed out a report showing activity from August 6 through September 14. Mr. Baum conducted 52 face-to-face interviews, made/took 171 phone calls, and filed 13 claims.

GRANT APPLICATION - *Sheriff*

Robert Downey, Morgan County Sheriff, was present to request approval of an annual \$30,000 grant application through the Criminal Justice Institute for traffic safety and impaired driving. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the Sheriff's Office pursuit of the Operation Pull-Over Grant. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

EMA

Mark Tumey, EMA Director, stated that they are trying to find a vehicle to pull the decon trailer. There are two ambulances that are considered surplus equipment and Mr. Tumey asked if one of them could be used to pull the decon trailer. It is marked as Morgan County EMA. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the request to use one of the surplus ambulances to pull the trailer. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

SPEED LIMIT ORDINANCE – *Second Reading*

Norman Voyles stated that at the last Commissioner meeting, the Board had a first reading of the ordinance to lower the speed limit on Ballinger Road to 30 MPH. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the Ordinance Modifying the Speed Limit on Ballinger Road. Motion seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 2-1. Ryan Goodwin was opposed.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

Rod Bray stated that this agreement regarding dispatch services has changed from what the Board of Commissioners had previously approved. The Martinsville City Council and Mayor, as well as the County Council, have signed the document. The change was in Section 4 regarding the financing of the dispatch consolidation. The tax levy for the city will not change and they will reimburse the county \$544,305 beginning January 2018. This will increase by 5% for each year thereafter. Beginning in January, all employees will be county employees. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement by and Between Morgan County, Indiana and the City of Martinsville, Indiana Regarding Public Safety Answering Point Consolidation. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

SCENIC ROUTE SIGNS

Norman Voyles stated that Warren Waymire, Mapleturn Utilities, was present at the last meeting to request that five scenic route signs be installed along Maple Turn Road, Blue Bluff Road, Lincoln Hill Road, and Old State Road 37. Mr. Voyles had asked that Mr. Waymire change the font and present a larger sample. Mr. Waymire presented a sample and Mr. Voyles included a copy in the packet. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the scenic signs as presented. Ryan Goodwin seconded the motion and stated that they need to make sure they work with the highway superintendent and highway engineer to make sure the signs are properly placed and don't create any type of hazard. Motion carried 3-0.

AMBULANCE BILLING CONTRACT/EMS UPDATE

Donnie Warren, Morgan County EMS Director, stated that Morgan County EMS is up and running and provided a copy of the certificate from the Indiana Emergency Medical Services Commission.

Mr. Warren did not see any penalty for dropping the Ambulance Billing Service contract and is ready to switch to Med Bill. Rod Bray stated that they made a change on Page 6, Section 14 of the Med Bill contract. The previous version stated that the county would accept all responsibility for patient accounts that were referred to a third party. This does not give the county the opportunity to choose the third party and did not seem equitable. Med Bill has changed the agreement so that they are responsible for the actions of the third party. Mr. Bray is now comfortable with the contract. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the amended contract with Med Bill contingent upon a successful exit from Ambulance Billing Services. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

LIFT INVOICE

Dan Bastin stated that there was a repair to a lift at the highway department and the invoice has bounced back and forth between the highway department and the sheriff's office a few times. Mr. Bastin asked that the Board decide who should pay the bill to repair the lift. The lift is used for the servicing of sheriff vehicles. Sheriff Downey stated that he was not aware of the invoice and felt that the lift was used mainly for the sheriff's vehicles, not highway department vehicles and stated that they would pay for it out of vehicle maintenance.

REQUEST TO USE COURTHOUSE SQUARE

The Fall Foliage Festival Board requested the use of the Courthouse Square for the Fall Foliage Festival from 5 pm on October 10 through October 15. They also submitted a Certificate of Insurance. Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES – 9/1/17

Ryan Goodwin made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 1, 2017 meeting. Motion seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

DISPATCH UPDATE

Scott Hamilton, Morgan County Dispatch Director, stated that they are doing a Microsoft update on the 911 system. There were 26,426 CAD calls, 85,065 total phone calls year to date, 16,564 911 calls, and 68,501 non-emergency calls.

The windows in the building have been sweating when the temperature gets below 20 degrees and the water from this has caused problems. Two companies examined the windows; one company determined that additional caulking was needed and the company that manufactured the windows determined that they are not properly insulated. They will begin with one window at a cost of \$442 and if that fixes the problem, they will do the rest of them at a lower price. Brian Goss suggested contacting the original contractor to examine the windows.

SHERIFF/JAIL UPDATE

Sheriff Robert Downey stated that the inmate population at the jail is at 337, there are 2 DOC inmates, 8 inmates on work release, and 27 jail corrections workers. There have been 8,631 law enforcement calls to date.

WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Jeremy Belcher, Morgan County Weights and Measures Inspector, stated that the current county ordinance regarding weights and measures does not require that a business let him know if they have broken a seal or installed new equipment. To be installed correctly, the equipment should be tested before it is put into service. Mr. Belcher obtained the ordinance from Monroe County and would like to update the Morgan County ordinance in order to require that businesses inform him when new equipment is installed or serviced so that he can test it or impose a penalty. Rod Bray stated that he would work with Mr. Belcher in drafting an updated ordinance.

HIGHWAY UPDATE

Marvin "Sport" Whaley, Acting Highway Superintendent, stated that crews have finished the chip seal projects, finished the landfill, cleared the log jam on the bridge in Paragon, and things are moving along well.

ENGINEER UPDATE

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that he received a call from the Hendricks County Engineer regarding replacing a bridge off of State Road 39 and Keller Hill Road. They will need to purchase right of way in Morgan County and will need an interlocal agreement. Brian Goss made a motion to authorize the county attorney to review the documents and draft an interlocal agreement with Hendricks County. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith requested approval of a letter from INDOT stating that there are no expenses for the unofficial detour on Crone, McClure, and Herbemont Roads for a section of State Road 142 from April 3 through June 16. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the letter. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Smith requested approval of a letter from INDOT stating that the county accepts the condition of Little Point Road as the official local detour for a section of State Road 42 that was in effect from April 3 through June 13. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the letter. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

The contractor for Bridge #67 finished the last abutment and started dirt work for the road. They will set the beams on Wednesday.

Bridge #26 should be open in two weeks. The contractor has all the concrete footing poured and half the arch is in place.

Dan Bastin stated that INDOT approved the close-out for the 2016 Community Crossings Grant.

PADDOCK ROAD DRAINAGE

Norman Voyles stated that in August, a drainage issue at a property on Paddock Road was discussed and the issue was tabled until the Board could contact another property owner in the area. John Zielska, Jr., who owns property on Paddock Road stated that installing culverts could slow the water down. Mr. Zielska stated that he is not an engineer, but if the county needs to make use of his property, he would offer that opportunity and the Board is welcome to call him anytime.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

Norman Voyles

Ryan Goodwin

Attest:

Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

Brian Goss