

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE RYAN GOODWIN, KENNY HALE AND NORMAN VOYLES. DEB VERLEY, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT; DAN BASTIN, AUDITOR (VIA TELECOMMUNING); JOSH MESSMER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR; AND JIM WISCO, COUNTY ATTORNEY, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

PLEDGE.

PRAYER (*Kenny Hale*).

**COMMENTS**

Former Morgan County Judge Tom Gray was present representing Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. Judge Gray stated that INDOT wanted to rent a quarter of an acre for three years. Old State Road 37 goes through the front of the property and they would like to go on record that they are in favor of letting INDOT use this access to get to the Martinsville Country Club and golf course as this will help out this business.

Josh Messmer stated that he and Tony Hinkle talked with INDOT last Friday and they are working on exhibits to provide the Board of Commissioners. Tony Hinkle stated that the road would be 12' to 16' wide and they are talking to the golf course.

**EXECUTIVE ORDER** – *Status Update*

Ryan Goodwin stated that Governor Holcomb's Back on Track Indiana Plan lifts travel restrictions and phases in certain types of commerce beginning May 8<sup>th</sup>. This means that the Board of Commissioners will need to determine how to open up the building to the public. They would need to provide resources and guidance in the form of PPE and how to phase it back in.

Josh Messmer stated that he had a discussion with the Public Health Officer, EMS, Health Preparedness Coordinator, EMA, and others to discuss what must be accomplished in order for department heads to feel comfortable in bringing back employees and operating in an efficient and safe manner. Physical barriers are being installed in public areas, PPE is being stocked as it is available, hand sanitizer stations are at each building, gloves and cloth masks will be supplied. People who need to come into the building are being screened by phone and physically upon arrival. This process will continue and appointments will be encouraged. Department heads should consider how the office should be structured to eliminate close contact. Maintenance is willing to mark distance with tape if needed, the department head just needs to contact the maintenance department. Each department will be provided with cleaning solutions and will be encouraged to use them at least twice per day. They will also need to communicate changes to the public via social media, website, newspaper, etc. Ryan Goodwin stated that some items listed in the framework memo need to happen and others are recommendations. Terry Clelland, Morgan County Treasurer, stated that property taxes are due May 11; however, there will not be a penalty for late payments until July 11. After discussion on property tax payments and when to open to the public, Kenny Hale made a motion to adopt the framework to send out to department heads. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

Mr. Goodwin stated that the state has set a date of June 14<sup>th</sup> to be open with restrictions and fully open on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The courts have a report regarding how they will operate due to the Supreme Court on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Kenny Hale stated that he was in favor of making sure that all the protections were in place before opening. Mr. Hale suggested a reopen date of June 1. Mr. Goodwin stated that there was strong caution from Dr. Broderick, Morgan County Health Officer, that reopening should be done in phases. After much discussion regarding dates that employees would return to work, PPE, spikes in cases, etc. Kenny Hale made a motion to phase in employees this week with all employees back by May 15 and open the building June 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Josh Messmer noted that there are some departments with closer quarters than others and asked if department heads would be permitted to stagger their workforce. Motion died for lack of votes. Discussion continued regarding social distancing. Norman Voyles made a motion to open the buildings to the public on June 1 and to do whatever needs to be done in order to get department heads and employees up to speed to meet that date. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0. Ryan Goodwin strongly suggested that departments operate fully for at least a week in order to mitigate any potential backlog and to get comfortable with operations once the building is open to the public.

Mr. Goodwin outlined the points of the Executive Order – offices will continue to operate by appointment as much as possible, business will be conducted by means other than in person visits whenever possible, individuals will continue to be given a screening, employees will have access to face masks and gloves, each department will implement social distancing, facilitate proper hygiene, cleaning and sanitation, will sunset at the revision of emergency declarations made by both federal and state government, and sets a date of reopening as Monday, June 1, 2020. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve Executive Order 2020-3 Transition to Normal Operations. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

## **PAVING BID**

Ryan Goodwin opened paving bids as follows:

<b>2020 Paving Bid Summary</b>							
Project Number	Roadway	Contractor 1	Contractor 2	Contractor 3	Contractor 4	Contractor 5	Contractor 6
		All Star Paving	Midwest Paving	E&B Paving	Wallace	Milestone	Grady
1-1	St. John Rd		\$ 120,096.30	\$ 101,350.70	\$ 109,378.80	\$ 138,858.00	\$ 119,112.70
1-2	Cooper Rd		\$ 43,177.20	\$ 39,034.80	\$ 39,088.06	\$ 57,924.50	\$ 44,609.70
1-3	East Co. Line Rd		\$ 128,555.60	\$ 108,523.35	\$ 120,480.71	\$ 151,844.00	\$ 131,926.85
1-4	Dillman Rd		\$ 50,693.40	\$ 43,737.20	\$ 45,799.00	\$ 63,146.00	\$ 62,301.40
1-5	Low Gap Rd		\$ 291,924.20	\$ 265,907.10	\$ 283,789.38	\$ 336,518.25	\$ 319,648.70
1-6	Cope Rd		\$ 86,776.40	\$ 72,441.40	\$ 79,002.92	\$ 104,728.00	\$ 86,164.20
1-7	Flake Rd		\$ 59,596.70	\$ 52,714.35	\$ 57,258.51	\$ 70,371.00	\$ 59,585.00
1-8	Musgrave Rd		\$ 107,008.00	\$ 89,737.75	\$ 97,711.90	\$ 125,205.00	\$ 106,016.50
2-1	Stierwalt Rd		\$ 102,984.20	\$ 92,019.70	\$ 94,526.98	\$ 123,612.00	\$ 114,818.40
2-2	Waggoner Rd		\$ 116,208.50	\$ 101,694.10	\$ 106,855.89	\$ 138,091.25	\$ 128,841.80
2-3	Goose Creek Rd		\$ 119,412.30	\$ 99,533.70	\$ 110,570.48	\$ 139,306.00	\$ 130,556.70
2-4	Hancock Ridge Rd		\$ 124,869.50	\$ 107,128.00	\$ 115,776.65	\$ 140,727.50	\$ 136,292.00
2-5	South Shore Dr		\$ 50,583.60	\$ 47,633.30	\$ 45,679.85	\$ 71,524.00	\$ 58,702.10
2-6	Pumpkin Vine Hill Rd		\$ 79,037.20	\$ 67,714.30	\$ 74,213.86	\$ 86,326.50	\$ 87,808.30
2-7	Hall Rd		\$ 44,513.20	\$ 40,971.20	\$ 38,483.29	\$ 57,536.75	\$ 47,706.10
2-8	Brummett Rd		\$ 121,695.40	\$ 105,067.20	\$ 108,191.20	\$ 145,298.50	\$ 125,841.90
2-9	Yale Rd		\$ 121,694.40	\$ 105,067.20	\$ 112,430.20	\$ 135,708.50	\$ 125,841.90
2-10	Kukman Rd		\$ 41,761.10	\$ 38,781.90	\$ 37,232.08	\$ 55,165.20	\$ 43,928.50
2-11	Craver Rd		\$ 79,038.20	\$ 68,324.00	\$ 75,119.70	\$ 92,981.50	\$ 82,414.70
2-12	Romine Rd		\$ 46,196.30	\$ 43,030.20	\$ 41,816.79	\$ 57,481.00	\$ 48,139.80
3-1	Carol Ln	\$ 32,103.05	\$ 32,730.80		\$ 27,167.89	\$ 45,820.05	\$ 32,866.90
3-2	Central Ave		\$ 27,011.70		\$ 23,217.35	\$ 39,446.75	\$ 27,311.80
3-3	Edith Ln		\$ 30,373.80		\$ 26,122.65	\$ 41,691.00	\$ 30,498.30
3-4	Old SR 144		\$ 58,104.60		\$ 52,974.76	\$ 70,808.00	\$ 57,167.60
3-5	Valley View Dr		\$ 22,547.60		\$ 18,909.68	\$ 35,924.50	\$ 21,894.40
3-6	Rosalyn Dr	\$ 30,787.00	\$ 32,213.90		\$ 29,720.80	\$ 44,238.00	\$ 31,915.90
3-7	Steven Dr	\$ 24,648.09	\$ 26,572.70		\$ 21,628.39	\$ 38,852.00	\$ 25,900.80
3-8	Daniel St	\$ 28,116.70	\$ 30,029.80		\$ 25,250.35	\$ 41,752.00	\$ 29,998.30
3-9	Greencastle Rd		\$ 98,829.15	\$ 93,404.30	\$ 92,764.44	\$ 113,627.30	\$ 102,088.55
3-10	Lynn Dr @ Crestview Hts	\$ 30,787.00	\$ 32,213.90		\$ 29,122.40	\$ 47,196.00	\$ 31,915.90
3-11	Bingham Rd		\$ 79,827.20	\$ 71,888.60	\$ 73,368.80	\$ 86,928.00	\$ 77,060.20
3-12	David Lane		\$ 16,467.30		\$ 11,396.38	\$ 28,672.00	\$ 12,881.50
3-13	Fox Hill Dr		\$ 62,762.40		\$ 57,937.50	\$ 79,586.00	\$ 62,124.40

Norman Voyles made a motion to table the bids until the May 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Mr. Voyles stated that he would like to hold off on making a decision on the District 1 paving until they know if they are awarded any Community Crossings Grant funds. Tony Hinkle stated that he understood the concerns. Motion carried 3-0.

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Tony Hinkle stated that there is an area on Old State Road 67 near Brooklyn that is in need of an emergency fix. He would like to request an additional appropriation of \$219,000 from the Council. Mr. Hinkle handed out information showing the issue; just north of the road, there is a sloping issue and Wallace provided a quote to repair it.

Mr. Hinkle stated that they would like to move forward in establishing an area to remove sand, grit, salt etc. from the trucks, and would also like to improve the salt barn and add a temporary one. Kenny Hale stated that they want to keep the flood plain manager happy and will need a letter from Susie Delay at DNR.

## **VEHICLE TRANSFER – EMA**

Mark Tumey, EMA Director, requested permission to transfer the old EMA ambulance to the coroner. Mr. Tumey stated that it is operational and the coroner is planning to use it long term after the pandemic. Norman Voyles made a motion to transfer the vehicle to the coroner. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT**

Jim Wisco stated that this agreement is with the State of Indiana and is for the most part a formality. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **XFORTE AGREEMENT**

Ryan Goodwin stated that the XForté agreement is for the Health Department's IT consulting contract. The cost is \$5,280 per year. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve both agreements. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **PARK DEPARTMENT PURCHASES**

Volitta Fritsche submitted a letter requesting to purchase five picnic tables for Waverly Park at a total cost of \$500 and a fence around the Wilbur Community Building at a cost of \$2,946.66 plus the cost of a survey. Josh Messmer stated that in lieu of having a park director, these decisions fall to the Board of Commissioners. Kenny Hale stated that a survey would be approximately \$900 and there is funding in the budget for these items. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the request. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

### **ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION LETTERS**

Ryan Goodwin stated that there are two additional appropriation requests, one for \$28,000 for dehumidifiers at the Annex and one for \$50,000 for additional COVID related expenses. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve sending the letters to the Council. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **OCRA GRANT**

Ryan Goodwin stated that the application for an Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) grant for \$250,000 has been approved. This grant will provide support to small businesses in Morgan County.

Josh Messmer proposed a committee made up of the Chamber of Commerce Directors in Martinsville and Mooresville (Jamie Taylor and Mindy Taylor); Mike Dellinger, Morgan County Economic Development Corporation; Wade Phelps, a representative from a commercial bank; and a Commissioner. Kenny Hale made a motion to appoint Ryan Goodwin to the committee. Motion seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 3-0.

### **APPOINTMENT** – *Monroe Twp Fire District*

No action taken.

### **REQUEST TO USE COUNTY PROPERTY**

Ryan Goodwin stated that there was a request previously to use the Sadler Room in the Administration Building for the Morgan County Fair Baby Contest and Stability First requested the use of the Courthouse Square. These items were tabled due to the Coronavirus restrictions. Given the Governor's objective to have Indiana back on track by July 4<sup>th</sup>, this would allow events to occur. Josh Messmer noted that the Baby Contest is expecting approximately 100 people and 40 babies on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Stability First is a June 13<sup>th</sup> event. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the requests as long as they meet government guidance in place at the time. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 3-0.

### **INDOT ROAD TRANSFER**

Tony Hinkle stated that this item was tabled pending more information from INDOT. Mr. Hinkle has a meeting pending, but it has not occurred yet.

### **JUSTICE CENTER CONSTRUCTION**

Josh Messmer stated that there are two items that were not included in the change orders from the last meeting, curbs in the parking lot \$1,150 and work in the front entryway \$1,800. Kenny Hale made a motion to approve the change orders as outlined. Motion seconded by Ryan Goodwin. Motion carried 2-0-1. Norman Voyles abstained.

### **CLAIMS**

Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the April 17 and May 1, 2020 Payroll claims of \$651,223.32 and \$630,998.59; PERF \$59,051.91, and \$57,078.88; FICA \$47,138.17 and \$45,615.51 and monthly claims totaling \$1,500,741.60. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

### **MINUTES**

Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the March 16, March 19, March 24, April 6 and April 20, 2020 minutes. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**CRIDER AND CRIDER AGREEMENT**

Josh Messmer stated that he received an estimate of \$15 for the power base station that Crider and Crider would like to install at the Highway Department and has updated the agreement. Norman Voyles made a motion to approve the agreement. Motion seconded by Kenny Hale. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

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Ryan Goodwin

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Kenny Hale

Attest:

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Dan Bastin, Morgan Co. Auditor

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Norman Voyles