

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY JUNE 19, 2023

Commissioners present for the meeting: Clay Andrews, Craig Greenwood, John Comer.

Also, In Attendance:

Public: LeAnn Conrad; Lyn Martin; Kevin Howard

Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Charity Perigo, Chief Deputy Auditor; Ingrid Barce, County Attorney; Matt Herndon, Highway Superintendent; Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Department; Anthony Pruitt, Sheriff; Laci Frodge, Health Department Administrator; Randy Haddock, Surveyor; Phil Astell, EMA Director; Jill Wilson, HR Director; Ethan Foxworthy, Council; Justin Brummett, Coroner; Julie Clark, Soil and Water; Sharon Hutchison, Council; John Kuiper, Zoning Director.

1. The meeting was called to order by Clay Andrews.
2. Clay Andrews, Commissioner President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve the agenda with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - b. John Comer made a motion to approve the May 30 and June 5, 2023 Commissioner Meeting Minutes with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - c. John Comer made a motion to approve the June 5, 2023 – June 19, 2023 Accounts Payable Claim Dockets with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - d. John Comer made a motion to approve the June 9, 2023 payroll with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway – Herndon presented quotes for a new Road Broom/Sweeper. Brandeis \$80,606; Southeastern \$78,500 with trade in of \$7,000; Superior Broom \$87,104. Herndon explained the issue with the old broom such as maintenance, repairs, etc. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve Southeastern \$78,500 with trade of \$7,000 paid from MVH Restricted seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor. Hobaugh stated Grader was sold on GovDeals but GradAll did not sell and will be relisted.
 - f. EMA Fire Ban – Discussed extending the fire ban for 2 more weeks, through July 5th. Set digital signs out for public notice. Craig Greenwood made a motion to extend burn ban to July 5th seconded by Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - g. 2024 Budget Information – Weston-Hubner explained the 2024 Budget Binders will be ready later this week. The new software is allowing the budget reports to show a total of each department spending combined from all areas of the budget. Discussed JCWF abatement appeal.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Resolution to Accept Donation of Property – Discussed Cary property, tabled. Discussed the Van Pelt parcel.
 - b. St Vincent Tower MOU Convergence/Fire Tech – Tabled.
 - c. 2023 Grant Writer Contract – Tabled.
5. Department Head:
 - a. John Kuiper, Zoning Director – Discussed 3199 Goodwine, Van Pelt parcel. Explained taxes have been paid but not able to get in contact with the family. There are 2 vehicles on the property. Barce will start the UBO process and if certified mail not accepted, will publish 3 times then County can destroy. Kuiper will give info on this parcel to Barce. Kuiper explained many complaints on 31 LLC, James Hall owner of parcels at Pine Village and Judyville Elevator suggested a property maintenance. McGlade property maintenance will be filed this week. Kuiper will give info to Barce for 31 LLC parcels.
 - b. Anthony Pruitt, Sheriff – Pruitt stated Sheriffs Camp was last week with about 50 campers and 30 Counselors, very good camp this year, around 30 counselors helped. Gave update on K-9, dog has been ordered, donations will allow the project to be fully funded with approximately \$39,000 donated. Hopefully we will have the K-9 by November and on the road by January.
 - c. Phil Astell, EMA Director – Discussed fire sirens, waiting on electricity hookup for each town. Radios to be donated to Fire Departments, Astell is waiting to hear back from Fire Chiefs.
 - d. Justin Brummett, Coroner – Explained EMS training for K-9 officer. There have been 15 cases this year, 4 autopsies. Transport vehicle has been used quite a bit and is running very good with all repairs and updates completed. Brummett explained issues with the lights on the vehicle due to the incorrect lights being installed. Presented a quote from Move Over Outfitters adding red and white lights, \$1,439.33. Due to timeline issues, Brummett will look into other options for the lights. Craig Greenwood made a motion approve \$1,500 for light change over paid Commissioner budget line seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor. Waiting on grant from State for new camera. Coroners conference is this week and requested to drive the coroner vehicle. Commissioner gave permission. Weston-Hubner stated Montgomery County is working on the title.
 - e. Craig Greenwood, Commissioner – Extension Office is holding a training this fall and has requested a food permit. Laci Frodge, Health Department, explained this process is a form and is free.
 - f. Health Department ADA Doors – Discussed the installation and invoice. Clay Andrews made a motion to approve \$4,046.98 from Wabash Overhead Door paid from Commissioner ADA budget seconded by Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - g. Laci Frodge, Health Department Nurse/Administrator – Frodge stated the car and trailer have been received and decals are completed. The bronze plaque has been installed. Discussed an open house for the new Health Department.
 - h. Julie Clark, Warren County Soil and Water – Clark stated WCSW will have a booth at the 4-H Fair with watershed video, raffle, plat books for sale. Currently working on 2024 map. On July 12th at 8:30 a.m. USDA Office meeting, Big Pine Watershed meeting July 12th at 1:00; July 15th due date certification land with FSA. Urban soil health/gardening group is requesting help. No till day coming up; clean water Indiana grant for Soil and Water to help with cover crop costs and grant due by Sept 8th. Fish sale and pond management set for October.
 - i. EMA Building cleanup – Weston-Hubner will organize and inform all departments.


- j. Extension Eve and Soffit repairs – Craig Greenwood made a motion to amend the June 20, 2022 approval of \$5850.00 with new invoice of \$6577.00 paid from Jordan Creek Wind Farm Expense Fund 4917 seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor.

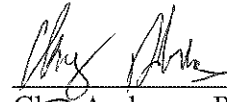
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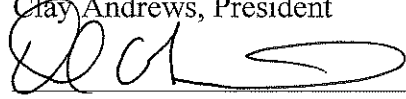
- a. Kevin Howard – Howard stated the Van Pelt water had been turned off.
- b. Lyn Martin – JCWF stand ground support county.

Next Commissioner meeting July 5, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.

There being no further business John Comer made a motion to adjourn with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.

ATTEST: 
Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor


Clay Andrews, President


David Craig Greenwood, Vice President


John Comer