

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

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

Also, In Attendance:

Public: Ben Dispennett, LEDO Director; Lyn Martin; LeAnn Conrad; Kevin Howard, Lauren Granapini, Matt Lambert.

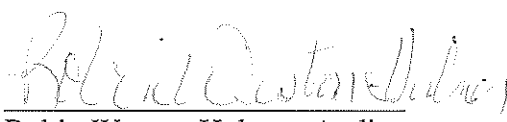
Department Head/Elected Official – Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor; Charity Perigo, County Attorney; Jud Barce, County Attorney; Matt Herndon, Highway Superintendent; Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Department; Anthony Pruitt, Sheriff; Jill Wilson, HR Director; John Kuiper, Zoning Director; Laci Frodge, Health Department, Phil Astell, EMA Director.

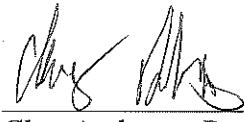
1. The meeting was called to order by Clay Andrews.
2. Clay Andrews, Commissioner President led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Weston-Hubner add Resolution to Declare Surplus Personal Property Highway. John Comer made a motion to approve the agenda with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - b. John Comer made a motion to approve the August 21, 2023 Commissioner Meeting Minutes with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - c. John Comer made a motion to approve the August 21, 2023 – September 5, 2023 Accounts Payable Claim Dockets with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - d. John Comer made a motion to approve the August 18, 2023 and September 1, 2023 payroll with a second from Craig Greenwood, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway – Herndon stated paving continues and should be done this week then shoulder work will start. An incident occurred with a County dump truck and a piece of farm equipment and farmers insurance will cover the damages.
 - f. Bridge Inspection and Inventory Letters of Interest Opening – Hobaugh explained the letters of interest cover 2024 – 2027 for bridge inspection period, interested firms send letters of interest then commissioners choose a firm. Bid will be received from the chosen firm which must be approved by INDOT. Hobaugh opened the letters of interest from HWC Engineering, Janssen and Span, United Consulting and BLN. Commissioners will have a working meeting in the near future to discuss. Current County bridge inspections are facilitated by Janssen and Spann and the 2023 report will be received soon.
 - g. Resolution Declaring Surplus Property Highway – Herndon explained the surplus is 2001 GMC fuel truck to sell on GovDeals. Craig Greenwood made a motion to approve Resolution #2023-0905A Declaring Surplus Property seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor. Discussed Jail generator which can be posted September 17th after being in the newspaper.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Tax Sale Ordinance - Tabled
 - b. JOINK Public-Private Agreement – Discussion concerning the final draft. Dispennett stated JOINK should sign this week. Barce inquired about Exhibit D Payment Schedule. Dispennett explained bench marks changed from last version and if JOINK doesn't meet customer acquisition then the County will receive payments in 2024 and 2025 to make up the difference which will be the anticipated amount of PILOT payments. Barce inquired if a special exception is needed in the permitting process. Kuiper stated it will be discussed at the APC meeting.
 - c. St Vincent Tower MOU Convergence/Fire Tech – Barce explained after many attempts at contacting, another email was sent August 30th to Convergence. Barce read the email informing Convergence the MOU must be in place by September. Barce will continue to attempt contact.
5. Department Head:
 - a. Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor – Weston-Hubner explained a letter was received from Community Action requesting appointment to replace Jenny Larson who is resigning from the Board. Craig Greenwood made a motion to appoint Clay Andrews to the CAP Board seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor and Andrews abstained. Greenwood explained invoice from Rick Deardorff repairing the Health Department back door lock for \$500. Craig Greenwood made a motion to pay \$500 to Rick Deardorf from Cumulative Capital Development seconded by John Comer, all voted in favor.
 - b. Craig Greenwood, Commissioner – Greenwood stated Extension building drain and concrete pad for sign will be finished this week. Greenwood stated Rabers Wheel Works, Montgomery Indiana is working on the wagon wheel repair for the cannon in front of the courthouse.
 - c. John Kuiper, Zoning Director – Kuiper stated APC will meeting September 12th at 5:00 for pipeline. Barce sent letter to Morehouse last week and Kuiper informed Gregg Excavation their bid was approved. Kuiper explained Van Pelt home in Pence is being lived in. Barce stated a letter will be posted on the front door stating items must be out by September 18th and at the 18th meeting an order to remove building will be discussed.
 - d. Matt Herndon, Highway Superintendent – Herndon explained a temporary license tag was received from Enterprise for the Ford pickup.
 - e. Phil Astell, EMA Director – Astell stated still waiting on Pine Village Town to have electricity connect for the new siren. Issues with sirens not working properly due to Dispatch changes and continuing to work on this.
 - f. Laci Frodge, Health Department Administrator – Frodge stated Huston Electric will begin work on the sign next week. Explained the Public Health Funding budget will be delivered from the State this week.
6. Public:


- a. Lyn Martin – Martin explained the Pence Water Works has discovered an issue with the project and will need \$15,000 to finish. Also, researching boring the pipe in and will get a quote for this. Martin will send the quote to the Commissioners for review.
- b. Jud Barce, County Attorney – Barce explained he has contacted Barnes and Thornburg to review the JCWF abatement. MJ Electric Hearing will be held in October.

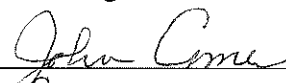
Next Commissioner meeting September 18, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.

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

ATTEST: 
Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor


Clay Andrews, President


David Craig Greenwood, Vice President


John Comer