# MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 1, 2022

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on February 1, at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton County Courthouse, 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner President, Jordan Brewer called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

### **PRESENT**

### ABSENT

Jordan Brewer Josh Uitts Mark Timmons

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Rick Campbell, Renee Crick, Rich Kelly, Ashley Kelly, Brett Barton, Greg Miller, Liz Stitzel, Rodney Wann, Britt Ostler, Tom Little, and others shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes

# IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Brewer led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Brewer had a moment of silence for the loss of two law inforcement officers in Carroll County, the loss of two children in a house fire, and the loss of our county historian LeRoy Good.

## IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

No comments were received.

# IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY CONTRACT

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the county attorney contract with Tom Little. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Brewer recessed The Board of Commissioners meeting at 9:03 a.m. to open a public hearing regarding the Clinton County Courthouse, Annex and Jail project. No comments or questions were received, Commissioner Brewer adjourned the public hearing at 9:04 a.m. and reconvened The Board of Commissioners meeting.

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve Resolution 2022-01Recommending selection of and Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement for Services with selected offeror. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0. This Resolution will allow the county to enter into a public-private agreement with Envoy for the design, construction and maintenance of the project.

## IN THE MATTER OF VACATION OF ALLEY IN COLFAX

Phil Triplet appeared in front of the commissioners on behalf of Sergio Sandoval to request a vacation of an alley in the Plat of Waugh's Addition to the Town of Colfax, Indiana. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the vacation of the alley for the Sandoval family in the Town of Colfax. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## IN THE MATTER OF DIVISION C CHANGE ORDER

Jon Query from HWC Engineering presented a Division C change order for the elevated tank on behalf of the contractor for a material cost increase of \$11,790.00. Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve the change order. Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF CENTRAL DISPATCH YEAR END REPORT

Renee Crick presented the Central Dispatch year end report to the commissioners. During 2021 they dispatched a total of 33,642 calls for service, with a call volume increase of 13% more than 2020. They answered a total of 54,979 for the year. Their reports indicate that 88% of all 911 calls were from a wireless device and 3% were from a landline. Calls were answered in less than 10 seconds 98% of the time. Nixle subscribers have increased to over 9,000 for text messages.

Renee stated that she had to have Commissioner Brewer E-sign time sensitive documents to move forward with purchasing their to go kits that she has the money for in the budget.

## IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE

Rick Campbell reported they were preparing for the winter storm coming later in the week. He has ordered salt and it's on its way. They received sand the day before. The graders will be here in March. Rick stated he would like to bring in some temporary help for the upcoming storm, there is money already in the budget for temporary help. Commissioners agreed to allow the temporary help.

### IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN

Liz Stitzel reported that Mr. Huffer is interested in purchasing the Fickle property in Hillisburg if it were to go to certificate sale. Since there is not going to be a certificate sale this year she referred Mr. Huffer to come talk to the Board of Commissioners.

In regards to the complaint that Commissioner Uitts received about a barn south of Antioch. The property owner is currently taking bids to get that removed. Liz believes it will be resolved.

Liz stated that it's time to start thinking about contracting a county mower since they can start seeing grass complaints as early as March.

# IN THE MATTER OF THE MICROVOTE AGREEMENT

Rhea Harris presented a Microvote Agreement to the Commissioners. The only change is going from a one year agreement to a 4 year agreement at a fixed cost. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the agreement, Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve Paul Phillippe quarterly report. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Tim Elston reported that this year we had to renew our Cyber Security Protection Policy and along with that they are requiring the county to add a multi factor to most of our outside connections. Right now it is up in the air as to what we need to cover. As of now the cost could be as much as \$36,000. Commissioner Brewer stated that our current cyber policy has increased significantly and they are requiring this additional rider on the policy or the policy is irrelevant. The cyber policy will increase from \$4,000 to potentially over \$40,000 a year. Tim is still gathering information for the policy.

Ashley Kelly is asking for a 03 service line to pay their volunteer test proctor \$50.00 per test administered. This will come from their DOC grant. Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve the additional 03 service line. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

In regards to Sheriff Kelly's 2022 Compensation Agreement, the Sheriff stated he did not see the emails, and would like to postpone signing the agreement until the next meeting. Commissioner Brewer they can wait until the February 14th meeting.

Sheriff Kelly thanked Clinton County EMS, Rossville Fire, and Frankfort Police for working together and all their help with the Sedalia scene over the weekend.

Sheriff Kelly recognized K9 Gunny that retired February 1, 2022 due to health reasons. Deputy Joey Mitchell stated that K9 Gunny replaced K9 Rizzo in 2018. The recommendation from the vet was to medically retire K-9 Gunny or take him to a board certified K9 dentist. There is only 1 in Indiana and the cost just to see him would be \$2,000. The cost of a new dog is \$6,000, and with that information they decided to retire K9 Gunny and will be getting a new K9 next week that Deputy Mitchell will train himself.

Sheriff Kelly presented a plaque to K9 Gunny for his service.

Commissioner Brewer stated we received two quotes for carpet cleaning at the courthouse. Sam I Am quoted \$1,500.00 and Five Star quoted \$1,540.50. Commissioner Uitts motioned to accept the lowest bidder Sam I Am, seconded by Commissioner Timmons. Motion carried 3-0.

# IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Greg Miller reported that they will put transfers on standby for a period of time during the winter storm that is coming to keep ambulances in the county. The new ambulances will arrive in February. Greg stated the Boyleston station has Duke Energy for power and has had power outages a couple instances, so he has asked for quotes from RD Electric and Adams electric to install a generator.

Greg stated that with the storm coming in they have offered to the Frankfort Police Department their training room for a substation if they happen to lose power.

Greg stated it is time to advance EMS internally and place a Medic in the position of director. As of March 1st Greg would like to resign his position as director. He had three names to give to the Commissioners for interviews for the director's position. Commissioner Brewer stated they will coordinate with him to set up the interviews.

Rodney Wann reported that they rerouted the traffic lines for the Covid testing site. He thanked Rick for his help in getting that task done. He plans to phase the PT clerk into the regular budget in the next couple of years. He is also working with Britt on grants.

### IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Brewer opened the discussion on what they wanted to do for an HR Consultant. Commissioner Uitts motioned to engage with Waggoner, Irwin, and Scheele for HR Consulting. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Brewer stated it was Commissioners Timmons' last day as commissioner, and both he and Commissioner Uitts thanked him for his service.

## IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated January 21, 2022 in the amount of \$19,149.84 Friday claims dated January 28, 2022 in the amount of \$67,621.40 Bi-weekly claims dated February 1, 2022 in the amount of \$248,531.77 Court claims dated February 1, 2022 in the amount of \$17,262.14 Claims dated February 1, 2022 in the amount of \$3,783.28 Surplus dated February 1, 2022 in the amount of \$20,522.83

## IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Uitts seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Payroll dated January 14, 2021 in the amount of \$444,683.48

#### IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES

Commissioner Uitts motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated January 3, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Brewer. Commissioner Timmons abstained. Motion carried 2-0.

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve Special Meeting Minutes dated January 24, 2022, seconded by Commissioner Brewer. Commissioner Uitts abstained. Motion carried 2-0.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Timmons at 10:00 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY

Jordan Brewer, President

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Josh Witts

Mark Timmons

ATTEST: