

PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
December 7, 2020 @ 8:30 AM

Mark Flint  
Jeff Nelson  
Ryan Coleman

**REGARDING CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Commissioner President Mark Flint called the meeting to order. All commissioners were present in addition to County Attorney Val Fleig, Auditor Judith Gumbel, and Commissioner's Assistant Kristi Dischinger. Also, in attendance were County Health Nurse Amy Gladish, County EMS Director Chris Young, County Sheriff Kent Johnson, County Road Superintendent Josh Byrd, Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton, and Press-Dispatch Editor Andy Heuring.

**REGARDING APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 16, 2020**

Commissioner Flint asked if there were any concerns or corrections regarding the minutes.

Commissioner Ryan Coleman seconded by Commissioner Jeff Nelson motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed 3 – 0.

**REGARDING APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR DECEMBER 7, 2020**

President Flint asked if everyone had been able to review the claims.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve claims. Motion passed 3 – 0.

**REGARDING OLD BUSINESS** There was none.

**REGARDING NEW BUSINESS**

**INDOT-LPA Agreement, Construction CR 350 N.**

Commissioner's Assistant Kristi Dischinger explained that the agreement is between Pike County and the state for the Road Rehabilitation CR 350N. It is the standard boiler plate contract. The Federal Project Funds stated by the contract are a maximum of \$1,792,000.00 (80% of project) with Pike County being obligated to pay the other 20% of the project cost. Commissioner Flint asked Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton if she had anything to add. The answer being "No", Commissioner Flint called for a motion.

Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the contract. Motion seconded by Commissioner Nelson. Motion passed 3 – 0.

**INDOT-LPA Agreement, ROW CR 350 N**

Ms. Dischinger explained that this is the amendment for the Right of Way Change for CR 350 N as explained and approved at the November 2, 2020 Commissioner's Meeting. The clarification is in Attachment -1 and extends the maximum of federal dollars for this portion of the project to \$140,944.00. Commissioner Flint asked if there were any questions.

Commissioner Coleman moved to approve Amendment #1 to the INDOT-LPA Agreement for CR 350 N (EDS No.: A249-20-L190144), CFDA # 20.205 and Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed 3 – 0.

**INDOT-LPA Unofficial Detour Reimbursement Contract**

Ms. Dischinger explained that during construction project # 1500719 (Cup Creek) an agreement was made for an unofficial detour route. The agreement stated that the County would be reimbursed for any damages. There were some damages and this is the agreement that will allow INDOT to reimburse the County in an amount equal to \$2,002.00 for restoration of the

unofficial detour route to its pre-designation condition in lieu of INDOT actually restoring the route. Commissioner Flint asked if there were any questions. If not, he called for a motion to accept the contract.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman moved to approve the contract. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **RQAW-LPA Agreement, CE CR 350 N**

Ms. Dischinger explained that this is the contract between Pike County and RQAW Corporation (Consultant) for provision of services for Construction Inspection of the CR 350 N project. The contract amount is payable at a maximum of \$282,125.00. Commissioner Flint called for a motion in regard to the agreement if there were no questions.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to accept the agreement. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **Malcon Agreement-Clerk**

This agreement is for Monthly Title IV-D Consulting Services to the Pike County Clerk. The fee for the monthly service is \$650.00.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the agreement. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **EMA Grant Extension-Ratify**

This is an extension to the timeline of an EMA Grant. Items have been ordered and shipped. The grant cannot be completed until the County receives the items. The Commissioners just needed to ratify the extension.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the extension. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **EMS Transfer**

EMS Director Chris Young stated that at the Commissioner's last meeting they had approved the purchase of 2 cots for the ambulances. Upon consideration of the situation, EMS Director Young decided that he should really purchase only 1 cot and a ventilator. The two would cost a total of \$24,000.00. The new ventilator would allow him to transport more patients currently on vents. He has been having a lot of calls for this type of transport. The other items on the transfer list are just expenditures to make it to the end of the year. This action would change the transfer request to be submitted to the Council which has not met since the first approval.

Commissioner Flint called for a motion.

Commissioner Nelson motioned to accept the transfer. Commissioner Coleman seconded and the motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **Highway Transfer, Solid Waste**

Ms Britton stated that the \$82.00 was needed to cover the last Solid Waste bill for 2020, and to pay for Rock.

Commissioner Coleman seconded Commissioner Nelson motion to approve the request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **Leave of Absence Request-Larry Julian**

Mr. Julian has used all available leave and is requesting a 2-week unpaid leave of absence until 2021 begins and his new leave eligibility requests can kick in. Also, for consideration was whether or not the Commissioners wanted to pay his insurance for two weeks. If not, Mr. Julian would have to shift to COBRA.



Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the two weeks, and no more, unpaid leave of absence and insurance. Commissioner Nelson seconded the motion. Motion passed 3 – 0.

#### **REGARDING BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS**

##### **Eck Mundy Contract Amendment**

The Sheriff decided that he would like to be added to the County contract for Eck-Mundy's Contract. The costs would be paid by the Sheriff's Department.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to allow the amendment. Motion passed 3- 0.

##### **Surplus Disposal**

The recent installation of the new Surveillance system for the Courthouse resulted in a surplus of 20 cameras and 2 PTCs. This is all analog equipment which the new system can't use. The Sheriff asked if he could have part of the equipment since he could use it for parts of his system. The Commissioners told him that he could have it all.

Motion was made by Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson to allow the Sheriff to have the equipment. Motion passed 3 – 0.

##### **Courthouse Transfer.**

Ms. Dischinger stated that the custodian needed some supplies to get to the end of the year.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the transfer. Motion passed 3 – 0.

##### **Solid Waste transfer**

Ms. Dischinger explained that the transfer amounts of \$2,200.00 from Utilities to Site Attendant and Senior Site Attendant wages were needed to meet the final payroll of the year.

Commissioner Colman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to approve the transfer. Motion passed 3 – 0.

##### **Local Emergency Disaster Declaration**

The Governor of Indiana has again extended the State of Indiana Emergency Disaster Declaration by thirty days due to the statewide increasing number of COVID cases.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to extend the Pike County Local Emergency Disaster Declaration by another thirty Days. Motion passed 3 – 0.

##### **Courthouse Status-COVID**

County Health Nurse Amy Gladish reported that there were 140 active cases on Sunday and the County has had a cumulative of 639 cases. There have been 21 deaths. She believes the increasing cases can be attributed to Thanksgiving gatherings. She discussed the Testing Center and stated that the labs contracted by ISDH are really backed up. The Center is testing about 100 persons per week. The County is trying to get the Rapid Result Test.

Questions were asked about the availability of a vaccine and self-tests.

EMS Director Chris Young stated that EMS has made 1400 runs.

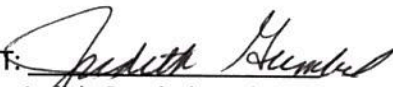
Commissioners Flint and Nelson both stated that they were really impressed by the work of the County Emergency Services.

**REGADING BUSINESS BY PUBLIC**

Highway Road Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that the County will be paving at the park beginning on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Hearing no further comments, Commissioner Flint called for a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson moved to adjourn. Motion passed 3 – 0.

ATTEST:   
Judith Gumbel, Auditor

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