

PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2021 @ 8:30 AM

Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman

REGARDING CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Commissioners' President Mark Flint called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present plus County Attorney Val Fleig, County Auditor Judith Gumbel, and Commissioners' Assistant Kristi Dischinger. Others in attendance included EMA/E911 Director Ryan Benner, EMS Director Chris Young, Pike County Sheriff Kent Johnson, County Health Nurse Amy Gladish, County Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, and Press Dispatch Editor Andy Heuring.

REGARDING APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 15, 2021

President Flint asked if there were any questions about the minutes. Hearing none, he called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the minutes. Motion passed 3 – 0.

REGARDING APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR DECEMBER 6, 2021

President Flint asked if there were any questions or concerns regarding the claims. Hearing none he called for a motion to approve. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 3 – 0.

REGARDING OLD BUSINESS the gauge of the wire

Approve bid for Materials and Supplies

Bids were received as follows on 11.15.21:

Bituminous Bids for "Hot Mix Asphalt" picked up by Pike County at the Plant were received from Cave Quarries, J.H. Rudolph, and E & B Paving. Bituminous Bids for "Cold Mix" picked up by Pike County at the Plant were received from Cave Quarries, J.H. Rudolph, and E & B Paving. Liquid Asphalt Bid delivered to Pike County was received from Asphalt Materials and Liquid Asphalt Bid picked up at Plant was received from Asphalt Materials.

Bids for **Metal Storm Drainage Structures** of various diameters and gauges were received from Metal Culverts, Southern Indiana Supply and Civil Con, Inc. Bids for Bands were received from Metal Culverts.

Bids for High Density Polyethylene Culvert Pipe Smooth Interior were received for truck load quantities from Southern Indiana Supply. Bids were also received from Civil Con, Inc. quantities were not specified.

Bids were received for High Density Polyethylene Culvert Pipe Smooth Interior from Southern Indiana Supply for amounts less than a truck load.

Bids for Stone of varying sizes were received from Roger's Group and Cave Quarries.

Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd had not had an opportunity to review the bids. The BOC gave him an opportunity to look them over.

President Flint called for a motion to accept the lowest bid unless travel costs makes the total cost of the material exceed the price of the next lowest Bid. Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve a motion as stated by President Flint. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Open Bids for CCMG 2021-2

County Attorney Val Fleig opened and read the two bids received.

One bid was from **Asphalt Materials, Inc for AE-90 Tack Oil** at a price of \$2.56/gallon for all road sections for which a quote was requested as needed for the project. This total 21,299.0 feet at a width of 18 feet at a resurfacing thickness of 2.0 inches. Total bid price for these sections was \$4,948.48.

Three road sections were bid at lineal feet with a width of 20 feet and a resurfacing thickness of 2.0 inches. The total lineal feet was 9,267.0 feet by 20 inches wide by 2 inches thick. The total bid price for these three sections was \$3,164.16.

A bid was received from **Cave Quarries for Hot Mix Asphalt and Rock** for all road sections. The grand total of the bid was \$168,036.00.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motion to take the bids under advisement. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Open Bids for Ambulance

One bid was received. It was from American Response Vehicles. It was for \$229,406.82. The Commissioner asked Director Young if he advertised for bids. He said yes and that he reached out and requested a couple of companies to make a bid. He expected at least one more bid. The ambulance will end up costing around \$90,000 with the insurance monies etc. The plan is to fund this balance with ARP dollars but this has not been finalized. The Plan is on the Commissioners Agenda today and the appropriation comes before the Council on the 14th. Director Young has not had the opportunity to view the technical aspects of the bid.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to table action on the bid. Motion passed 3 – 0.

REGARDING NEW BUSINESS

EDC-Business Grant Awards (Round 2)

Commissioner's Assistant Kristi Dischinger reported on the status of the Business Grant Awards, Round 2. The County was grant \$250,000. \$177,000 has already been distributed, and the funds for the second and final round should be arriving at any time.

TASC

Commissioner Nelson asked what TASC means. Auditor Gumbel stated that she would find out. Note: It stands for Total Administrative Services Corporation. It is a plan that basically allows Pike County employee the opportunity to take advantage of certain fringe benefit plan premiums "before tax". Auditor Gumbel's predecessor Ron Wilson arranged the plan for the

County.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the Amendment to the plan as written allowing the continuance of the plan and placing it under the Commissioners jurisdiction. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Contract with Jefferson Township for EMS Housing

This contract is to allow Pike County EMS to garage an ambulance in the Jefferson Township Fire Department building. This will be for the addition to the EMS services with an ambulance and EMS crew stationed in this location 10 hours a day, seven days a week.

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

EMS Transfers

EMS Director Chris Young requested transfers from Professional Service to PERF, Paramedic wages and EMT Wages. Transfers totaled \$8, 200.00. He also requested a transfer of \$524.80 from Ambulance Fire to Ambulance accident.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motion to approve transfers. Motion passed 3 – 0.

E911 Transfer

EMA/E911 Director Ryan Benner requested that \$1,437.94 be transferred from Directors Salary. to Group Health. He explained that it was for the Assistant E911 Director's group health insurance.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson move to approve the transfer. Motion passed 3-0.

Highway Transfers

The highway requested a transfer in Cum Bridge Fund 1135 from Equipment Rental to Group Health Insurance. In Fund 1176, MVH two requests were made from Equipment Rental to Employee Review and Test and Fuel. The requests total \$4,600.00. There was also a Fund 1176 transfer request from Vehicle Insurance to Tires in the amount of \$2,000.00.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the transfers. Motion passed 3-0.

Eck Mundy 2022 Managed Services Contract

Commissioners Assistant Kristi Dischinger shared that the contract came in at a little less than last year. There are fewer items to service at this time. The contract amount is \$76,836.00 per annum.

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

REGARDING BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Ordinances establishing Commissioner and Council Districts

There is an ordinance for Commissioners Districts and one for Council Districts. No one saw any needs to change the districts.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-09 Commissioners District and 2021-10 Council Districts as written. Motion passed 3 – 0.

INDOT Land Acquisition

The County Commissioners received notification that INDOT required additional land owned by Pike County and located on East County Road 350 North for provision of an entry onto Highway 56 and consists of 0.11 acres. INDOT's offer is \$1,000.00. If the County refuses to accept the offer, Attorney Val Fleig stated that INDOT would continue the acquisition of the property through eminent domain anyway.

President Flint asked for the opinions of the other commissioners.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to accept the offer and thus to sell the property to INDOT. Motion passed 3 - 0.

Opioid Settlement

The State of Indiana and its units are a part of a proposed national Settlement Agreement with McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Inc., and AmerisourceBergen Corporation known collectively as "Settling Distributors" in regard to a suit filed by participants regarding opioid addiction. All county units across the state have been asked to participate. Commissioner Flint would sign paperwork identifying Pike County as potentially "participating" in this settlement. If the settlement moves forward the County will share in the settlement award to the State of Indiana.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to participate in the Settlement Agreement. Motion passed 3 – 0.

ARPA Fund Plan

President Flint presented the Pike County ARP Plan as developed by a committee consisting of himself, County Councilman Jon Craig, County Councilman Greg Willis, Auditor Judith Gumbel, Pike County EDC Executive Ashley Willis, EMS Director Chris Young, EMA/E911 Director Ryan Benner, and Pike County Library Director Jarod Furman. The purpose of the plan is to utilize the \$2,406,418.00 as awarded to the Pike County Government to mitigate the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). In various manners under the four (4) allowable responses:

- A. To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or to aid the impacted industries such as tourism,

travel and hospitality;

B. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government or county that are performing such essential, or by providing grants to eligible employers that are eligible workers who perform essential work;

C. For the provision of government services to the extent of the **Reduction in Revenue** of such metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county due to to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the metropolitan city, non-entitlement unit of local government or county prior to the emergency;

D. To make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure as approved by the US. Treasury.

The amendable plan was submitted to the Commissioners with a detailed plan for expenditures under each category.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the plan as presented. Motion passed 3 – 0.

VSO Officer

The Pike County Veterans' Service Officer retired effected December 1, 2021. President Flint recommended that Dennis Weitkamp be appointed to this vacancy effective January 4, 2022, working 21-hours per week.

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

Solid Waste Transfer

Commissioners' Assistant Kristi Dischinger requested a transfer from Building Repair and Maintenance to Senior Site Attendant Wages in the amount of \$300.

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

Courthouse Transfer

Ms. Dischinger also requested a transfer of \$1,400.00 in the Courthouse Budget from Building and Structure Repair to Electricity.

Commissioners' Transfers

Ms. Dischinger stated that there two transfers to consider. The first was \$153.00 from Cell Phones to Legal Services to complete the 2021 pay for Attorney Fleig. The second was \$4,000.00 from FICA to Professional Services due to an unexpected repair needed to the well and the landfill.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the

Courthouse Transfer and the Commissioners' Transfer Requests. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Change Meeting Schedule for 2022

Ms. Dischinger explained that she made an error on the first meeting of the year. It needed to be moved to Tuesday, January 4th at 8:30 a.m. Everything else remained the same.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to approve the change in the Commissioners Meeting Schedule. Motion passed 3 – 0.

Clerk/Treasurer Monthly Reports (October)

These reports were presented to the Commissioners for their review.

Courthouse Status-COVID

Ms. Dischinger reported for the Pike County Health Department:

Active Cases – 75

Total Diagnosed Cases – 2486

Fully vaccinated citizens – 4,963

this is 42.5% of the population age 5 and above.


Pharmacies are also giving the vaccines now.


REGARDING BUSINESS BY PUBLIC

President Flint asked for business by the public. County Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that the repair work has begun on the Blackburn road mineshaft. On Monday they had an issue with Dust Control. He also reported that he had to shut down the Ratts 1 Solar Project two times because the bond money for the Hoosier Sub Station had not been received by the County Auditor. He also stated there was an accident.

REGARDING ADJOURNMENT

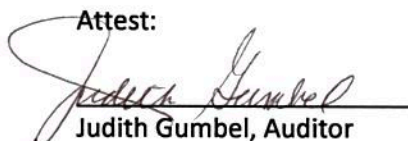
Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motioned to adjourn. Motion passed 3 – 0.

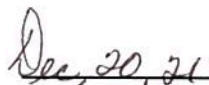

Mark Flint, President


Jeff Nelson, member


Ryan Coleman, member

Attest:


Judith Gumbel, Auditor


Date