

PIKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2022 @ 8:30 AM

Mark Flint
Jeff Nelson
Ryan Coleman

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Commissioners' President Mark Flint called the meeting to order. All Commissioners were present: Mark Flint, Ryan Coleman, and Jeff Nelson. County Attorney Val Fleig, County Auditor Judith Gumbel and Commissioners' Assistant Kristi Dischinger were also present. Also, in attendance were Highway Superintendent Josh Byrd, County Highway Office Manager Melanie Britton, County Coroner Ray Brooks, EMA/E911 Director Ryan Benner, EMS Director Chris Young, Sheriff Kent Johnson. County Health Nurse Amy Gladish, Tony Cochren and Eric Ackerman with German American Insurance, Mark Pfister and Mark Kiesel with Solid Waste Management, Brent Roberts with Energy, Kevin Meyer with RQAW, Jim Johns candidate for County Council, and Sherri Sebelli Reporter for the Press Dispatch.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JANUARY 18, 2022

President Flint asked if there were any questions regarding the minutes and called for a motion. Commissioner Ryan Coleman seconded by Commissioner Jeff Nelson motioned to approve minutes. Motion passed 3 – 0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2022

President Flint asked for a motion to approve the claims. Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the claims. Motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

E911 CAD Agreements

EMA/E911 Director Ryan Benner shared the details of a proposed Software License and Service Agreement with CentralSquare Technologies LLC which is a Public Safety software, hardware, and related services system to be utilized by Pike County E911, Sheriff's Department, EMS and the Petersburg City Police Department. Cost presented:

Total System Quote - \$244,139.12

1st Year Maintenance Total - \$26,759.11

1st Year Subscription Total - \$8,605.00

Thereafter, an annual subscription fee of \$8,605.00 will be due and an annual maintenance fee guaranteed not to exceed 5% of prior year fee.

Director Benner stated that multiple quotes and demonstrations by multiple companies had occurred and the consensus of all was that this is the best product.

Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motion to approve the agreement and purchase subject to appropriation approval by the Pike County Council. Motion passed 3 – 0.

2022 Appointments

The following appointments were suggested for 2022:

Pike County Board of Health for a 3 yr. term – Carl Benner, Cindy Bailey, and Kelly Cook
Public Defender Board as recommended by Judge Biesterveld – 2 yr. term (?) – Kyler Henry
Wabash Valley Community Corrections as recommended by Judge Biesterveld – 1 yr. term–

Chris Yon and Paul Schneider

Petersburg Plan Commission – Tom Willis moved out of the city limits and Rhonda Warner will take his place through 2025.

Region 15 Planning Commission – 1 yr. term – Jon Craig, Mark Flint, and Ryan Coleman

Tri Cap Board – 1 yr. term – Charlie Barr

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

NEW BUSINESS

Grow SW Indiana Workforce LEO - Tabled

German American Insurance-Commercial Policy Renewal

Agent Tony Cochren and affiliate Eric Ackerman walked the Commissioners through the policy changes:

Property – Blanket policy, 100% Coinsurance, Replacement Cost (agreed value), Deductible increased from \$2500 to \$5000

Inland Marine – 100% coinsurance, Replacement Cost

General Liability – Added \$1000 Deductible per claim with no change in limits

Linebacker – Public Official Liability and Employment Practices Liability – \$2,500

Deductible per claim includes defense expense

Law Enforcement Liability – Deductible increased from \$2500 to \$5000

Automobile – All Comprehensive \$500 Deductibles increased to \$1000 and Ambulances changed from Replacement Cost/Stated Amount to Actual Cash Value

Commissioner Flint asked why this change was made and answer basically due to our losses. Agent Cochren stated that there has been a 10% rate increase cross the board, and we have a claim in subrogation as well as a problem with an underinsured motorist.

Commissioner Flint asked if the emergency vehicles could be separate out of the policy. The answer was yes with the exception of the Sheriff's vehicles.

Umbrella policy - \$4,000,000 per occurrence, \$4,000,000 Aggregate and policy has a \$5,000,000 cap.

Cyber Liability – This is pending due to big changes going on. We had a ransom ware claim.

They are working with Commissioners' Assistant Kristi Dischinger and Eck Mundy.

Premium Summary – Overall 25% Increase.

In discussion Commissioner Nelson asked how we can avoid such increases in vehicle coverages when the accidents are clearly not our fault.

Agent Cochren shared that bids had been requested from ten additional companies. Premiums were either higher with much less coverage or companies had declined to bid.

No action was taken on this proposal.

LPA Bridge Inspection Supplemental #1

Highway Office Manager explained that this is in regard to the agreement between the county and Beam Longest and Neff, LLC to provide professional engineering services for the Countywide Bridge Inspection and Inventory Program for Cycle Years 2019 through 2022. The supplement added a paragraph following the unit price chart as follows:

HL93 Design Inventory and Design Operating rating factors shall be generated and reported when NBIS Items 63 and 65, Method Used to Determine Operating and Inventory Rating, is reported as "load and Resistance Factor (LRFR). The Design Inventory and Design Operating values shall be generated and stored in BRADIN as contracts are executed.

This is a change from lump sum price to individual price.

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

Pike-INDOT Agreement for ROW, CR 300 N

This is in reference to Des No: 1802900, CFDA No: 20.205 in regard to INDOT paying 80% up to \$142,480.00 for the Right Of Way for project CR 300N in Pike County.

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

E911 Additional (CAD)

This is concerning the CAD agreements previous discussed. The amount that will be needed in addition to what is in the current budget is \$244,139.12 rounded to \$244,140.

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

EMS Additional

EMS Director Chris Young stated that an additional appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 needed to be approved for presentation to the County Council for a new engine to replace the 2007 Ford Ambulance engine.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motioned to approve the Additional Appropriation Request. Motion passed 3 – 0.

EMS Transfer

This transfer is being requested as another means of paying for the \$25,000 engine under the EMS Additional that was approved. This will give the County Council Options.

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

EMS Transfer

EMS requested a transfer of \$1065.00 from the Building and Repair/Maintenance account to Furniture and Equipment.

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

Highway Transfer

The County Highway requested permission for a transfer of \$1,400 in Fund 1112, CEDIT from the 350 N Rehab account to the Bridge 150 Replacement account.

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

County Health Officer-Dr. Rudolph

The County Health Department requested that Dr. Austin Rudolph be appointed as Pike County Health Officer.

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

E911 Staffing

E911 Director Ryan Benner has had an employee elect to retire. The employee is no longer working. Therefore, he needs permission to start the hiring process and to replace the employee. He also stated that he may be losing a second employee due to the employee being a candidate for another job. Director Benner would like to hire one full-time staff and two part-time positions.

Commissioner Nelson seconded by Commissioner Coleman motion to approve the retirement and to allow Director Benner to proceed with hiring new staff. Motion passed 3 – 0.

BUSINESS BY COMMISSIONERS

Covid Updates

County Health Nurse Amy Gladish reported the following COVID statistics:

Active cases – 105

Total number of positive cases known – 3,614

Positivity Rate – 30.2%

Fully Vaccinated population – 5,139 which is 44% of our population over 5 years of age.

OTHER COUNTY INFORMATION

- 1) Sheriff Johnson presented the Annual Jail Report to the Commission.
- 2) Administrative Assistant Kristi Dischinger presented the Clerk and Treasurer's monthly report.
- 3) EMS Director Young stated that he had received \$39,345.65 from 2019 Medicaid Claims collected by MALCON. He also indicated that the unit had 1,81s runs in 2021 which is 300 over the 2020 runs. There have been 208 runs in January and 45 runs thus far in February. At this rate they will do 2500 runs during 2022.
He thanked the Highway for making sure they could get where they needed to go during the bad weather.
- 4) Commissioner Nelson shared that a White Oak Family had called him and thanked him for keeping the EMS able to run on county roads in bad weather.
- 5) EMS Director Young stated that they were taking bids for old ambulance box.
- 6) Commissioner Flint thanked the Highway for a great job during the ice and snow.
- 7) County Road Superintendent Josh Byrd stated that they had started with cleaning the chip and seal roads and will be moving to the gravel roads today.

BUSINESS BY PUBLIC

Jim Johns raised a question regarding the obligation of Responsible Energy Resources LLC, to carry through with any of the road agreements that were in place regarding the property purchased from Chancellor. He was specifically interested in Grange Hall Road.

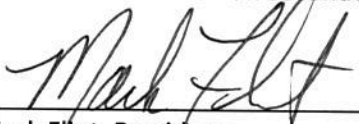
Superintendent Byrd stated that the agreements are still in place that the roads have to be put back in place. He stated that he doesn't believe that there is a timeline on when the work will be done.

Commissioner Coleman stated that at his last knowledge there is still an active mine permit on the property in question.

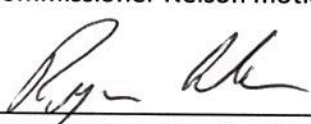
ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

President Flint asked if there was a motion to adjourn the meeting.

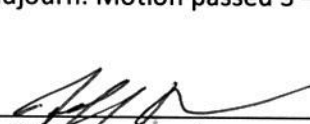
Commissioner Coleman seconded by Commissioner Nelson motion to adjourn. Motion passed 3 – 0.



Mark Flint, President

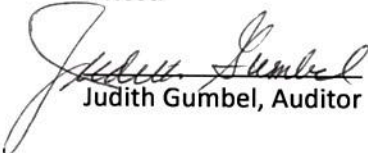


Ryan Coleman, Vice-President



Jeff Nelson, Member

Attest:



Judith Gumbel, Auditor Date 2/22/22

