MINUTES MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 10, 2025 at 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Government Center, 1580 Constitution Row – Room E109, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: Board Vice President Commissioner Jim Fulwider; Commissioner Dan Guard, Member and Commissioner Jake Bohlander

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; County Administrator Tom Klein; Auditor Mindy Byers; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Highway Director Jake Lough; Central Communications Director Sherri Hill; Health Administrator Adrianne Northcutt; Recorder Nancy Cox; EMA Director Jessica Burget; Assistant County Attorney Tyler Nichols; and Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Commissioner Guard led the pledge of allegiance and the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: AP \$3,497,467.34

1/10 – Payroll \$512,755.99 2/7 – Payroll \$522,173.68

Minutes: January 27, 2025

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by

Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING: Re-Establish Cum Bridge Tax Rate for 2025

From Current Rate of \$0.055 per \$100 of assessed valuation, and the maximum property tax rate for the Fund per Indiana Code 8-16-3 is \$.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Notices of the public hearing were published on January 29, 2025 and February 5, 2025. The Commissioners have a purpose for the funds, specifically the construction, repair and maintenance and inspection of bridges, and desire to reestablish the tax rate of the Cumulative Bridge Fund at the proposed rate of \$0.075 per \$100 assessed valuation.

BOARD PRESIDENT DAN GUARD OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING @ 8:01 AM Hearing no public comment, BOARD PRESIDENT DAN GUARD CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING @ 8:01AM

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-2 Re-Establishing the Cumulative Bridge Fund Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2025-2. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Permission to Close Roads for Ironman GNCC Race on October 23 to October 26, 2025

The following roads are requested to be closed beginning @ 8am on Thursday, 10/23 until Sunday, 10/26 @ 7pm. Closed at CR200S and SR47. Closed at CR200S and CR200W going South and East. An additional road closed sign just east of 1508 W 200S to keep traffic parked in the North lot from turn west onto CR200S. Closed on CR200W just north of 2735 S 200 W.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve request to close County Roads beginning 8am on Thursday, 10/23 until Sunday, 10/26 @ 7pm. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Open Highway Department Annual Bid for: Pea Gravel, Sand and #8's Gravel Attorney Dan Taylor opened a bid from Pro Agra, Inc., Cayuga for pea gravel, sand and #8 gravel.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the take the bid from Pro Agra, Inc. under advisement. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Motion to Suspend Rules & Approve Annual Bid for: Pea Gravel, Sand and #8's gravel.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to suspend the rules and add approval of Annual Bid for Pea Gravel, Sand and #8's gravel. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Approve Bid from Pro Agra, Inc.

Highway Director Jake Lough reported that he had reviewed the bid and found it to be meet the bid requirements. *Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the Annual bid from Pro Agra, Inc.. Seconded by Commissioner Bohlander. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

Emergency Management Advisory Council Recommendation for Director Assistant County Attorney Tyler Nichols advised that the Emergency Management Advisory Council met in regular session on January 28th and voted to recommend to the Commissioners the continued appointment of EMA Director Jessica Burget.

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the appointment of Jessica Burget as the Emergency Management Director. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider.

Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-3 Establishing FFY 2025 Indiana Department of Homeland Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Fund - \$16,300

Emergency Management & Homeland Security has received a sub-award grant from the Indiana Department of Homeland Security for a project titled "Hazmat Tech Course & TTX". The grant period is from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2025-3 Establishing FFY 2025 Indiana Department of Homeland Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Fund. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

2nd Reading Ordinance 2025-4 Establishing the FFY 2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant Fund - \$44,827.63

Emergency Management & Homeland Security has received a grant for purposes of EMPG Salary Reimbursement 2024. The period of performance is October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2025-3 Establishing FFY 2025 Indiana Department of Homeland Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Fund. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2025-6 2025 EMA Director Contract

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the 2025 EMA Director's Contract. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Resolution 2025-7 2025 Building & Zoning Administrator ContractCommissioner Bohlander moved to approve the 2025 EMA Director's Contract.

Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Resolution 2025-8 2025 Highway Director Contract

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the 2025 EMA Director's Contract. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Resolution 2025-9 2025 Mapping Director Contract

Commissioner Bohlander moved to approve the 2025 EMA Director's Contract. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

2024 Award Montgomery County Employee of the Year

Employee of the Year Committee Chairperson CCC Director Sherri Hill stated that the Committee comprised of EMA Director Jessica Burget and Chief Deputy Probation Officer Mark Bickel received nine nominations and two of the nominations were for the same person. Director Hill stated that Chief Probation Officer Andria Geigle as the 2024 Montgomery County Employee of the Year.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, meeting adjourned @ 8:13 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 24, 2025 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center-Room E-109.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Dan Guard, President

Attest:

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