

MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2022

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 11, 2022 at 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Courthouse, 100 E. Main Street – Room 103, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

CALL TO ORDER

On call of the roll, the members of the Board were shown to be present as follows: President, John E. Frey; Vice President James D. Fulwider and Commissioner Dan Guard.

Also present: County Attorney Dan Taylor; County Administrator Tom Klein; Auditor Jennifer Anel; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Highway Director Jake Lough; EMA Director Shari Harrington; Health Administrator Amber Reed; Assessor Sherri Bentley; Recorder Jennifer Bentley; County Engineer James Peck; Treasurer Heather Laffoon; Chief Probation Officer Andria Geigle; and Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Board Vice President Commissioner James D. Fulwider led the pledge of allegiance and the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: March 28, 2022 to April 11, 2022

Accounts Payable: \$2,134,147.95

Payroll Claims: 4-8-22 \$409,387.70

Approval of Minutes: March 28, 2022

Circle City Security Systems, Inc. Monitoring Agreement - Alarm system for government center.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.

Public Hearing: Consider Text Amendment to the Montgomery County Zoning Ordinance – Text amendments would add right-of-way policies to the Zoning Code.

Commissioner Frey opened the Public Hearing @ 8:02 am. No public comment.

Commissioner Frey closed the Public Hearing @ 8:02 am.

Ordinance 2022-13: Adopting a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Regarding Right of Way Policies

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2022-13 Adopting a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Regarding Right of Way Policies. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointments to Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee – As a result of the County's membership to Thrive West Central which is an EDA-designated Economic Development District (EED). The EDD must develop a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and update it every 5 years. The current CEDS for West Central Indiana runs through 2022. An updated 5-year CEDS must be developed by the end of the year that will cover 2023-2027. The purpose of the CEDS is to guide the economic development of the region. The CEDS is required in order to be eligible to apply for federal and state funding. The CEDS serves as a demonstration that proposed grant projects are derived from a regional planning process. The CEDS update will be guided by strategy committee and the County may appoint three representatives. Commissioner John Frey recommended the following to serve on the Committee: John Frey, David Hunt and Steve Loy.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to appoint Commissioner John Frey, Councilman David Hunt and Plan Commission Member Steve Loy to the EED Committee. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.

Banning Engineering: On-Call Drainage Review - \$155 p/hour

Banning Engineering will provide On-Call Drainage Review services for the County during the interim until the County hires a County Engineer. *Commissioner Guard moved to approve the Banning Engineering On-Call Drainage Review Agreement contingent upon review of legal counsel. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.*

ORDINANCES

2nd Reading Ordinance 2022-10: Establish Delinquent Business Property Tax Fund

The fund shall consist of monies received by the County Treasurer of all deposits of taxes, penalties and interest resulting from the auditing services provided by Tax Management Associates, Inc., during the term of the agreement, for additional assessments on undervalued or omitted property, after deducting the amount of any property tax credits that reduce the taxpayer's tax liability for the undervalued or omitted property. *Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2022-10. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.*

2nd Reading Ordinance 2022-11: Establishing a Speed Limit for Offield Monument Road

Highway Director Jake Lough reported on the results of a traffic study held June 29th – 9:09am to June 30th – 8:48 am. During the study period 131 cars traveled through the area at an average speed of 25 miles per hour. 85th % traveled at 34 miles per hour and the fastest at 50 miles per hour. The ordinance would post the speed limit at 35 miles per hour. *Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2022-11. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.*

Introduction: Ordinance 2022-12 - Adopting Updated Investment Policy - Previous policy expires by its own terms on 5-15-22. Updated policy will continue to invest public funds for highest investment return with maximum security.

Introduction: Ordinance 2022-14 - Adopting County Logo - Adoption of newly developed County Logo for branding and other marketing efforts.

Introduction: Ordinance 2022-15 - Amending Emergency Management Code, Renaming Department, and Adopting Logo - Montgomery County Advisory Council recently approved the renaming of the Department to the Emergency Management and Homeland Security Department and adopts a new logo for the Department.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-4: Approval Ratifying the Terms and Execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement

Commissioners hereby ratify and approve the final terms and the execution of the Bond Purchase Agreement and the terms are consistent with the Intenture. *Commissioner Guard moved to approve Resolution 2022-4. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.*

OTHER BUSINESS

Today's meeting is the last Commissioners' meeting to be held in Room 103 at the Montgomery County Courthouse. All future meetings will be held at the new Government Center located at 1580 Constitution Row, Crawfordsville.

Commissioners presented a Certificate of Appreciation to County Engineer Jim Peck. Jim's has resigned his position with the County effective Wednesday, April 20th.

ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business before the Board, *Commissioner Guard moved to adjourn. Motion passed 3-0 votes in favor.*

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.


The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, April 25, 2022 @ 8:00 am @ Montgomery County Government Center.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



John E. Frey, Board President

Attest:



Jennifer Andel, Auditor