

MINUTES
MONTGOMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022

The Montgomery County Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 28, 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 Andel; Building Administrator Marc Bonwell; Sheriff Ryan Needham; Deputy Highway Director Jake Lough; County Engineer James Peck; Treasurer Heather Laffoon; Chief Probation Office Andria Giegle; Health Administrator Amber Reed; and Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

PLEDGE & PRAYER

Board President Commissioner John E. Frey led the pledge of allegiance and Commissioner Guard led the prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Claims: February 28, 2022 to March 14, 2022

Accounts Payable: \$2,872,331.78

Payroll Claims: \$428,005.63

Approval of Minutes: February 14, 2022

2021 Annual Solid Waste Management District Report

Solid Waste Districts are required to submit an annual report to the County Commissioners before March 1, 2022.

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

Public Hearing: Petition to Vacate Portion of Old Oak Hill Road filed by Robert Hudson

Commissioner Frey opened the public hearing at 8:01 am.

Resident Cindy McComb, 102 W Old Oak Hill Road appeared and stated an opposition against vacating the right-of-way. Mrs. McComb stated they have lived there since 1994 and they use the road themselves and the road leads to Oak Hill Cemetery. They use the road all of the time as a cut through to Oak Hill Road.

Commissioner Frey hearing no further public comment, closed the public hearing at 8:06 am.

Commissioner Frey moved to deny the vacation request of Old Oak Hill Road. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Public Hearing: Re-Establishment of Cumulative Capital Development Fund Rate

Each year, the Board of Commissioners must re-establish the Cumulative Capital Development Fund and its tax rate of .0333 per \$100 of Assessed Value. The Cumulative Capital Development Fund may be used for expenses related to capital projects such as construction or repair of public buildings, improvements in the rights of way or sidewalks, purchase of vehicles and purchase of information technology.

Commissioner Frey opened the public hearing at 8:10 am

Hearing no public comment Commissioner Frey closed the public hearing at 8:10 am

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Ordinance 2022-6 Re-Establishment of Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Public Hearing: Re-Establishment of Cumulative Bridge Fund

Each year, the Board of Commissioners must re-establish the Cumulative Bridge Development Fund and its tax rate of .075 per \$100 of Assessed Value. The Cumulative Bridge Fund may be used for expenses related to the construction and repair of bridges.

Commissioner Frey opened the public hearing at 8:11 am.

Hearing no public comment, Commissioner Frey closed the public hearing at 8:11 am.

Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2022-7 Re-Establishing the Cumulative Bridge Fund.

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

NEW BUSINESS

Create Community Development Corporation Agreement - Envoy

Attorney Taylor requested that the Commissioners table the Create Community Development Corporation item today. The terms have not been negotiated and the RDC will need to approve the agreement before the Commissioners. *Commissioner Fulwider moved to table the Create Community Development Corporation item. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.*

County Health Insurance: COVID-19 OTC Test Plan Resolution

County Administrator Tom Klein stated GPA is proposing three options for consideration. For ease of administration for the employer and ease of access for the member, most companies will elect Option 3 that arranges for coverage with the PBM.

* Option 1: Plan pays 100% with no limits on quantity or reimbursement amount. It would require the submission of a claim for reimbursement and the plan would pay the amount on the proof of purchase.

* Option 2: Plan requires the member to purchase the test, then be reimbursed by the plan. Plan pays 100% of the proof of purchase amount up to a maximum of 8 test per Covered Person per month for those tests purchased without a prescription.

* Option 3: Plan arranges with its PBM to provide the OTC test through the drug card at 100% therefore not requiring any out-of-pocket cost for the member up front. OTC Test are limited to 8 test per Covered Person per month. For those OTC test not purchased through the drug card, the plan will reimburse the member the lesser of the actual cost of the test or \$12 per test for those tests purchased without a prescription.

Commissioner Fulwider moved to approve Option 3 with the drug card paying 100% of the cost of up to 8 tests per covered person per month. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

ORDINANCES

Introduction Ordinance 2022-8: Establishment of 2022 Law Enforcement Training Fund

Montgomery County Sheriff's Department is authorized to use the funds distributed by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute to conduct law enforcement training, including the purchase of supplies and training materials.

Introduction Ordinance 2022-9: Creating Economic Development Department

Ordinance to establish Economic Development Department and the Board of Commissioners will hire an Economic Development Director. The Director will report to the County Administrator and be the representative authority to all State, regional and national economic development organizations and agencies.

Commissioner Guard moved to suspend the rules to add 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2022-9. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

2nd Reading: Ordinance 2022-9: Creating Economic Development Department

Commissioner Guard moved to approve Ordinance 2022-9. Seconded by Commissioner Fulwider. Commissioner Frey questioned the next step. Attorney Taylor stated the Commissioners will need to appoint an Economic Development Director. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

Appointment – Economic Development Interim Director & Establish Meeting Dates

Commissioner Frey moved to appoint County Administrator Tom Klein as the Economic Development Director and establish meeting times as the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 10:00 am. Seconded by Commissioner Guard. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2022-2: Appointing Emergency Management Director and Approving Employment Agreement

Commissioner Guard moved to approve the 2022 Contract for EMA Director Shari Harrington. Seconded by Commissioner Frey. Motion carried 3-0 votes in favor.

OTHER BUSINESS

County Administrator Tom Klein stated that last week was EMA Week and Engineers Week.

Public meeting for input on the County Emergency Medical Services Study will be held on Monday, March 7, 2022 @ 6:30 pm @ the 4th Floor of the Fusion 54 Building.

The recent Art Auction sold 30 pieces to be donated to the Government Center. Currently approximately 80 pieces have been donated. The estimated move in date to the Government Center is the end of March.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 am.

Minutes prepared by Commissioners Executive Assistant Lori Dossett.

The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, 2022 @ 8:00 am at the Montgomery County Courthouse.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



John E. Frey, Board President

Attest:


Jennifer Andel, Auditor