

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 19, 2018

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, February 19, 2018 at 1:00 pm in the Commissioners' Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioners in attendance were Chairman George Schrumpf, Vice Chairman Don Amber and Commissioner Thomas Western. Others in attendance were County Attorney Matt Shipman, Chief Deputy Auditor Tamela Hamilton, Human Resource Director/County Coordinator Angela Campbell, Debra Darr from Whitley County Council on Aging, GIS Coordinator Dan Weigold, Planning Director Nathan Bilger, Whitley County Clerk Debbie Beers, Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester, Pamela "Wuellna" Wolfe, Nina Rodocker, Emily Studebaker, Cory Studebaker, Betty Mills, Michael Mills, Bob Rodocker, Pat Murphy, Joe Lopez, Josh Lopez, Tim Dygertm Geoff Graham, Sue Western, Joan Null, Jeremy Lopez, Alayne Johnson, Sonya Emerick, Brian Emerick, and Cory Schipper.

Chairman Schrumpf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY: Attorney Matt Shipman gave an update on the search for legal counsel in regard to the In Welligent lawsuit. He stated he has not had much luck in finding someone to take on the issue. He will continue to search because he has a few other options still and he stated he will update the Commissioners next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2018 GRANTS: Debra Darr from Whitley County Council on Aging presented the 2018 grant to the Commissioners. Commissioner Amber made a motion for the Chairman to sign the motor vehicle purchase agreement, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote. The Commissioners also reviewed the fourth quarter voucher for Council on Aging. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the fourth quarter voucher, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE DATA REQUEST: GIS Coordinator Dan Weigold had a request for the Commissioners in regard to a data request. An individual asking for a data request is requesting a waiver of fees even though the County has an ordinance in place. The individual asking for the data is a graduate research assistant with an address of IU Public Policy Institute. The request is for all of the County's drainage layers and he has spoken to Brandon Forrester because he is the department head that handles the County's drains. The fees for this data request would be approximately \$6,920.00. Due to this project being for Indiana University, they are requesting they not have to pay the fees. Dan is asking if the Commissioners would like to waive the fees or still require them to pay the fees. Commissioner Amber made a motion to table the request until the next meeting, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONE LOT SUBDIVISIONS: Planning Director Nathan Bilger presented a one lot subdivision request for the Commissioners. It is within the City's jurisdiction but because there is right-of-way being dedicated, the Commissioners have to approve it as well. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Amber and carried with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION POLLING LOCATIONS: This request is in regard to having a polling location at the Government Center. Debbie Beers gave the Commissioners a list of all the polling locations and the Commissioners need to give it their approval. It will also need published in the newspapers for the public. There have not been any changes and no one has declined having a polling location. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

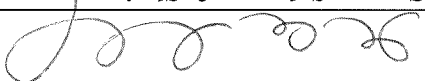
IN A MATTER OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The minutes from the February 5, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed the payroll claims. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote. The claim distributions from February 5, 2018 through February 19, 2018 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote.

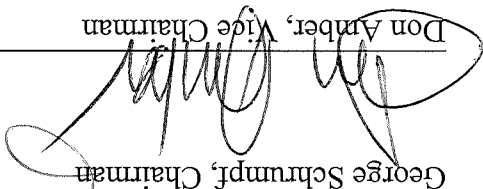
IN THE MATTER OF OTHER BUSINESS: County Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester presented the Local Roads and Bridges matching grant agreement to the Commissioners. This is the Community Crossings grant agreement that is phase two of the County's 2017 submission. When the Commissioners approve and sign this agreement, they can move on to the next step and the County will receive another \$195,000 approximately. The

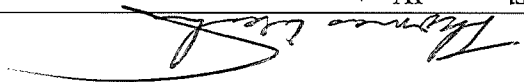
County has already received \$486,000 and the total of our award was \$670,000. Attorney Shipman has reviewed the agreement and given it his approval. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the grant agreement and allow the Chairman to sign, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote. Brandon informed the Commissioners that the highway Department is looking into salt storage options. They need 1,000 to 1,500 ton capacity for the salt. It is recommended to have a year supply saved and stock the salt in the summer. Commissioner Schrumptf stated that the Commissioners developed a CEDIT plan for 2018 and wanted to ensure the Commissioner's approval of the plan. The other item was the issues with the facilities maintenance and a huge issue is the sanitary lines at the Jail. Schrumptf stated that they may have to look at taking the replacement of the sanitary lines out of CEDIT which is \$90,000. The outdoor recreation area at the Jail should also be maintenance which is \$11,000. Chimney masonry restoration was the other issue as well. It is urgent and needs to be done as soon as possible at the expense of another \$70,879. The north side walk is beginning to become an issue as well which is \$70,600 and possibly a generator for Community Corrections at \$64,000. These are all projects that Commissioner Schrumptf is asking the Commissioners to take under consideration. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the generator at Community Corrections, chimney restoration at the Courthouse, the north and south sidewalks at the Courthouse and the sanitary lines at the Jail for a total of \$245,479, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote. Schrumptf stated that with this approval, he will revise the CEDIT plan and present it to Council at their next meeting.

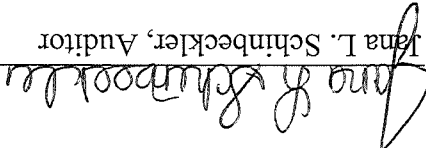
There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Schrumptf adjourned the meeting at 2:25 pm.

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George Schrumptf, Chairman


Don Amber, Vice Chairman


Thomas Western


Attest: Jana L. Schinbeckler, Auditor