WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 20, 2018

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, August 20, 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 and Commissioner Thomas Western. Absent was Vice Chairman Don Amber. Others in attendance were County Attorney Matt Shipman, County Auditor Jana Schinbeckler, County Coordinator/HR Director Angela Campbell, County Assessor Kim Erdly, Joan Null, Sonya Emerick, Maintenance Director Mark Sturtevant and Scott Wagner from the Health Department.

Chairman Schrumpf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY: County Attorney Matt Shipman informed the Commissioners that the parking lot lease with Canda Goldwood for the Goldwood Café has been revised/changed due to some unforeseen issues. The parking lot had previously been used for juror parking per the Judges. The revision/change for the lease is giving Canda two months free for her lease in order for the County to use the parking lot. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the revised/changed parking lot lease agreement, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote. In regard to the Lopez lawsuit, Attorney Shipman stated that it is nearing a conclusion and the judge will issue a ruling soon. Attorney Shipman has also reviewed the XSoft contract for the Assessor Kim Erdly and he gave his recommendation for approval.

IN THE MATTER OF THE XSOFT CONTRACT: County Assessor Kim Erdly presented the XSoft contract to the Commissioners. Attorney Shipman restated that he has reviewed the contract and given his approval for it. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The minutes from the August 6, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed the payroll claims. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote. The claim distributions from August 6, 2018 through August 20, 2018 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY COORDINATOR/HR DIRECTOR: County Coordinator/HR Director Angela Campbell presented two requests to use county facilities to the Commissioners. The first request was to use the Highway Department parking lot for the Columbia City Township Fire Department hog roast fundraiser benefit for overflow. The hog roast will be August 25, 2018 from 2 PM to 6 PM. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote. The second request was from the Columbia City Main Street Association and they are requesting to use the Courthouse on December 15, 2018 for pictures and breakfast with Santa. After some discussions with Mark Sturtevant with his concerns in regard to the expense of security, liability and the additional cleaning, Commissioner Western made a motion to table the request, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMITS: There were three right-of-way permits presented to the Commissioners. The first permit request was from Nipsco to install a gas main by directional bore under Meridian Road from CR 1000 S to the north property line of 9800 S Meridian Rd. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote. The second request was from Nipsco as well for CR 1000 S to install a gas main to 4300 E 1000 S in Roanoke. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote. The last request was from Nipsco as well and it was to install a gas main to 343 W 1000 S in Columbia City under County roads 1000 S and Meridian Road. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote.

IN OTHER BUSINESS: Commissioner Schrumpf informed the other members of the Board that Mark Coonrod will be attending the next Council meeting to explain to them why the County will need to pay for the appraisal on the County buildings.

There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Schrumpf adjourned the meeting at 1:20 pm.

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George Schrumpf, Chairman

Don Amber, Vice Chairman

Thomas Western

Attest: Jana H. Schinbeckler, Auditor