

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 4, 2020

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, May 4, 2020 at 1:00 PM in the Commissioners' Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioners in attendance were Chairman Don Amber, Vice Chairman Thomas Western and Commissioner George Schrumpf. Others in attendance were Attorney Matt Shipman via gotomeeting, Commissioner's Assistant Jennifer Shinabery, Chief Deputy Auditor Tiffany Forrester, Planning Director Nathan Bilger, Scott Wagner from the Health Department and Dale Buuck from Whitley County EDC.

Chairman Amber opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY: Attorney Shipman stated that the Incarcerated Offender Provider Agreement has been approved. Shipman also stated that he is working on a land contract agreement, and the draft has been sent to Armstrong's attorney for review for the purchase of land.

Chairman Amber stated that they will be sending Attorney Shipman a 180 day contract to review for Lori Shipman Consulting to allow the County to use her for COVID-19 grants and reimbursements. That way she can help the County utilize any and all reimbursements that we may be available to receive.

IN THE MATTER OF STATEMENT OF WORK: Commissioner Schrumpf explained that the Redevelopment Commission is asking for a \$200,000 agreement from the Commissioners to help with the Larwill TIF sewer project. The funds would come from CEDIT on/offsite. At this time a consensus of a verbal agreement from the Commissioners has been established. They will formally vote at their next meeting once an agreement has been given to them.

IN THE MATTER OF LANCE ACRES PLAT- Nathan Bilger from the Planning and Building Department presented a plat for Lance Acres, which is located South 800 East. This has been approved by the Plan Commission prior. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the plat with a second by Schrumpf, passing with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF SCOTT WAGNER FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Commissioners at the April 20, 2020 meeting had tabled the Point of Sale Ordinance and are tabling this meeting as well until there can be further review. Commissioner Schrumpf made a motion to table the Ordinance until the May 18th meeting with a second by Western, passing with a 3/0 vote. Also at the April 20, 2020 meeting the Commissioners had tabled a well variance for 1650 E Poplar Road until Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester had time to review the request. Scott has spoken with Brandon and Brandon gives his approval for this well variance. Western made a motion to approve the well variance with a second by Schrumpf, passing with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS: Chairman Amber stated that he has reviewed all payroll and accounts payable claims. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 3/0 vote. The claim distributions from April 21, 2020 through May 4, 2020 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 3/0 vote. The commissioners reviewed the April 20, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 3/0 vote.

Commissioner Schrumpf wanted to go on record and state that the County has been very fortunate to have Jon Myers with the EDC the last several years and wanted to recognize his retirement from the County as of May 5th, 2020 and want to welcome Dale Buuck as his replacement. The Commissioners are very excited to see what Dale can bring to Whitley County.

There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Amber adjourned the meeting at 1:33 PM.

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Don Amber, Chairman

Attest: Jana L. Schinbeckler, Auditor

Jana L. Schinbeckler

George Schruppf, Commissioner

George Schruppf

Thomas Western, Vice Chairman

Thomas Western