

EXECUTIVE SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 9, 2020

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on June 9, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Commissioners Robert Tobias, John Lizenby, and Mike Jones. Also present were Attorney Robert Houston and Auditor Tammy Stout Johnson. Members met for the purpose allowed by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a) (1) (b) (5).

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JUNE 17, 2020

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on June 17, 2020 at 5:00 pm in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Commissioners Robert Tobias, John Lizenby, and Mike Jones. Also present was Auditor Tammy Stout Johnson.

President Tobias called the meeting to order, lead in the Pledge of Allegiance, then opened the meeting for public comments. No comments were made by the public.

VISITOR’S COMMISSION BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION CANCELED

Visitors Commission Director Mike Chesser announced the cancellation of the Scott County Bicentennial Festival originally planned for early September. Chesser stated that alternative ideas are being developed for marking the historic year.

Chesser provided members with the Visitors Commission COVID-19 Exposure, Prevention, and Response Plan for operations. Chesser updated the Board on efforts to continue promotion of the hotel business. The Visitors Commission is dependent on the Innkeeper’s Tax for operations. Chesser said that vendors have lowered pricing to help reduce advertisement costs for their customers. Commissioners were informed that a letter was sent to the Scott County Fair Board requesting return of grant money (awarded by the Commission) since the Fair was cancelled. The Fair Board was encouraged to apply for funding should an alternative project be proposed.

Chesser said that tourism is beginning to restart with many “one tank” trips. Group tours are beginning again too. Efforts are being made to engage the community during the public health crisis by promotion of driving tours, etc.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE; GRANT APPLICATION APPROVALS; CONTRACTUAL GRANT POSITION RENEWAL; LEASE CONTRACT CONSIDERATION

Health Department Preparedness Coordinator Patti Hall presented four (4) grant applications for approval consideration as follows:

A reimbursable grant in the amount of \$58,084 from the Indiana State Department of Health to fund immunizations and 50% of the salary of the County’s second Public Health Nurse;

A reimbursable grant in the amount of \$9,877 for Preparedness through Cities Readiness Initiative for supplies and equipment;

A reimbursable grant in the amount of \$31,895 for Preparedness BASE to purchase equipment and supplies;

An advance payment grant in the amount of \$7,839 from Local Health Maintenance Fund Carryover for data services, data equipment, and rent for one (1) month for the new location of the One Stop Shop.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the grant applications as described above for the Health Department. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Hall presented the contract renewal for the Regional Coordinator. The funding comes from the State's Cities Readiness Initiative Grant. Scott County acts as the fiscal agent for the region and no County monies are required. Approval was requested for Health Department Director Michelle Matern to be the authorized signatory on the Regional Coordinator's agreement.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned to authorize Health Department Director Michelle Matern as the signatory on the Regional Coordinator agreement as funded through the Cities Readiness Initiative Grant. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Hall explained that the One Stop Shop will be moving to the new LifeSpring Medical Facility on Frontage Road in Austin. The monthly rent amount of \$1,838.98 is the same currently paid for the Highway 31 location, but there is about three (3) times the space.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the lease agreement with LifeSpring Health Services for the location of the One Stop Shop authorizing the \$1,838.95 monthly lease payment. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

CLERK GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST

Clerk Missy Applegate requested approval to apply for the 2020 Cares Act Grant offered through the US Election Assistance Commission for reimbursement of \$1,106.26 in expenses incurred in the Primary due to COVID-19 safety measures.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the Clerk's grant application request for the 2020 Cares Act Grant seeking reimbursement in the amount of \$1,106.26 total for COVID-19 related expenses during the Primary Election. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Jones thanked Applegate for her efforts in the Primary Election. The other Commissioners echoed his appreciation.

EMA GRANT APPLICATION REQUEST

Interim EMA Director Jessica Lee requested approval for a grant application with the Community Foundation. The grant funds, if awarded would be for reimbursement in the amount of \$3,424 for the purchase of two (2) AED units with batteries and replacement pads.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned to approve EMA's reimbursable \$3,434 grant application request to the Community Foundation for the purchase of two (2) AED units, batteries, and replacement pads. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE; WESBANCO LOAN AGREEMENT

Highway Supervisor Jill Baker explained that an agreement with CAT Financing was approved previously by the BOC for the purchase of a new paver (\$598,506.30) and three (3) dump trucks (\$283,000). However, Baker determined that a better interest rate was obtainable with WesBanco.

MOTION: Jones motioned to rescind CAT Financing lease that was signed at a previous meeting for the purchase of equipment for the Highway Department. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Jones motioned to allow Baker to see a new financing agreement with WesBanco for the purchase of the Highway equipment. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

SODOM CEMETERY AT PIGEON ROOST SITE

Tobias apologized to the public on behalf of the Commissioners for the overgrown condition of the Sodom Cemetery. Tobias went on to say that a petition was filed with Circuit Court that would put the cemetery under the County's Cemetery Commission. Tobias promised the cemetery would be mowed by Saturday, and that he would pay for the mowing himself if needed.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned for the Board of Commissioners to not protest the addition of Sodom Cemetery to the list of cemeteries maintained by the County Cemetery Commission. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

E911/EMA DIRECTOR POSITION; EMS DIRECTOR POSITION

Tobias was still in the process of talking to applicants for the E911/EMA Director position. Jones stated he was not ready to make a decision on the EMS Director position. By consensus, members agreed to hold an Executive Meeting at 5:00 pm on June 22, 2020 followed by an open Special meeting at 5:30 pm to discuss recruitment for the open Director positions.

Jones stated he received a call from an individual associated with Clark County that told him about a Scott County official that reached out for information on privatization of our ambulance operations. Commissioners were then questioned by citizens regarding any actions to that affect by any member. Tobias said that perceptions that EMS is not supported by the Commissioners are wrong. Lizenby stated the County's ambulance service is great, but there has been some communication issues. Tobias said that needs should be brought before the Commissioners and if warranted, will help them approach Council for support. All members stated that each had no interest in privatization of the Scott County EMS.

REDWOOD TOXICOLOGY CLAIM CONSIDERATION

A claim was presented for consideration in the amount of \$430.50 payable to Redwood Toxicology for client drug testing at Community Corrections. If approved, the claim would be paid along with the weekly urgent payments.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve payment of the \$430.50 claim to Redwood Toxicology. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

2020 COVERED BRIDGE CERTIFICATION; TIF REPORT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Auditor Johnson provided the annual Covered Bridge Certification for the State. We have one (1) in Finley Township.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the 2020 Covered Bridge Certification of one (1) bridge. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Auditor Johnson provided the annual TIF Report for the acknowledgement of the BOC.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned to attest the annual TIF Report was provided the Commissioners for acknowledgement. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

**JUNE 5, 2020 PAYROLL RATIFICATION; CONSIDERATION OF MAY 12, 2020 & MAY 22, 2020
JOINT MEETING MINUTES**

The Payroll docket from June 5, 2020 was presented for ratification.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve and ratify the June 5, 2020 Payroll docket. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the Joint Sessions with Council from May 12, 2020 and May 22, 2020 were presented for consideration and approval.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the May 12, 2020 and May 22, 2020 minutes from the Joint meetings as written. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

WAGES FOR INTERIM E911/EMA AND EMS DIRECTORS

Danny Basham questioned about compensation since he began as the Interim EMS Director. Interim E911/EMA Director Jessica Lee asked if that would be for her also. Commissioners agreed to recommend the wages for both Interim Directors be at the regular rate of pay, retroactive to the date they began as Interim.

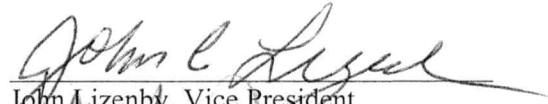
MOTION: Jones motioned to send a letter to Council with the recommendation for wage adjustments of the E911/EMA and EMS Interim Directors to the regular Directors' rate, retroactive until permanent Directors are hired for the positions. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

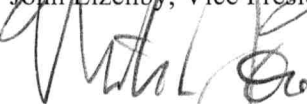
There being no other business, Jones motioned to adjourn the June 17, 2020 Regular meeting of the Scott County Commissioners. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.



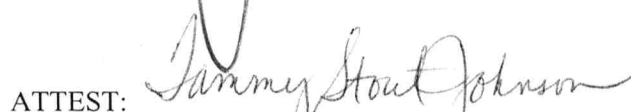
Robert Tobias, President



John Lizenby, Vice President



Mike Jones, Member



ATTEST: Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor