REGULAR SESSION

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 2, 2020

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on December 2, 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, led in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then opened the meeting for public comments.

Lizenby informed members that interest was revived for improving the Pigeon Roost Memorial site. A small group of volunteers will be approaching the Visitors Commission for \$6,000 in financial assistance. The group would like to salvage some of the good fencing for use around the grave site. Lizenby said the group has a list of dream projects with a goal of being placed on the National Register of Historic Places. That designation could open up grant opportunities. Commissioners requested that Highway Supervisor Baker obtain quotes on removal of a tree located west of the monument.

RIVER HILLS EDC CLAIM CONSIDERATIONS FOR LIFESPRING MEDICAL FACILITY GRANT

Nick Creevy of River Hills EDC presented claims for consideration from the LifeSpring Medical Facility Grant once the wire transfer of funds was confirmed by the Auditor. A claim payable to River Hills EDC in the amount of \$25,000 for administration costs along with Pay Applications #5 and #6 totaling \$145,382 to T&G Construction were reviewed.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby motioned to approve both claims associated with the LifeSpring Medical Facility Grant to RHEDC in the amount of \$25,000 and T & G Construction in the amount of \$145,382, pending receipt of the wired funds. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Creevy presented the final inspection form for the LifeSpring Medical Facility for signature.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned for Tobias to sign final inspection form for LifeSpring Medical Facility project. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

RIVER HILLS EDC INCOME SURVEY PRESENTATION

Melissa Woods of River Hills EDC presented information on conducting an income survey for the County. The survey would be necessary to begin the process of a new Comprehensive Development Plan. Funding of approximately \$50,000 could be available through the Office of Community and Rural Affairs with a 10% match requirement. Woods estimated that it would take about ten (10) hours, at a cost of \$1,240, for RHEDC administration time to complete the steps of the survey. Census data from Scott County does not support the Low Moderate Income threshold of 51% to qualify for funding from OCRA.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby motioned to approve River Hills proceeding with the Income Survey project with approval to pay RHECD up to \$1,240 for their services. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

PURDUE EXTENSION 2021 CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

The annual Extension Contractual Services Agreement with Purdue University was presented for 2021 in the amount of \$77,430.

MOTION: Jones motioned to accept the Purdue Extension Contractual Services Agreement in the amount of \$77,430 for 2021. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE; PRINTER LEASE PURCHASE REQUEST; GRANT APPLICATION

Health Department Director Michelle Matern provided information on the new CDC guidelines. Matern explained that the recommended golden standard for quarantine due to COVID-19 close contact exposure was still fourteen (14) days. However, due to lengthy quarantine periods, some areas employers were experiencing worker shortages. In response to the issue, optional quarantine guidelines were provided. If tested with a negative result, asymptomatic workers could be allowed to return to their jobs after day seven (7) of the contact. If the individual was not tested, then ten (10) days must elapse to end the quarantine period of an asymptomatic employee. Many scenarios were discussed on the various departments and their respective work environments.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to allow Department Heads/Elected Officials of the Health, Highway; Sheriff's Officers; Jailers; E911/EMA; IT; and Maintenance the options of the new CDC guidelines for the shortened quarantine periods. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Lizenby thanked Matern and the staff of the Health Department for their work with the public. Matern stated she was sensitive to small business due to her personal experience. Matern said the last thing she wanted was to shut small businesses down.

Matern stated her printers were old, over worked, and needed replacement. Matern requested approval for the lease purchase of new printers and added her budget would support the \$85 lease payment which included toner and maintenance.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the lease purchase of new printers for the Health Department. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern requested approval to renew the grant applications to fund the HIV Case Manager; HIV Tester; and HIV Prevention Coordinator positions. Matern also requested approval for renewal of the Emergency Assistance Advance Grant in the amount of \$5,000 that provides food and shelter for individuals in emergency situations.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to approve the grant applications for renewal of funding for the HIV Case Manager, HIV Tester, and HIV Prevention Coordinator positions as well as the Indiana AIDS Emergency Assistance advance funded \$5,000 grant. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPUTY PROSECUTORS JOB DESCRIPTION CHANGES

Prosecutor Chris Owens requested approval of revised and retitled job descriptions for three (3) Deputy Prosecutor positions, beginning January 2021. Owens presented job descriptions for one (1) Criminal/Child Support Deputy Prosecutor and (2) Criminal Prosecutors. The salaries would be redirected according to the position and would not require any additional funding than the 2021 proposed budget.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to approve the changes made to the three (3) Deputy Prosecutor job descriptions for 2021 resulting in two (2) Criminal Deputy Prosecutors and one (1) Child Support Deputy Prosecutor. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

GRANT APPLICATION REQUESTS FOR COURTS AND CLERK

Grant application approval was requested by Judge Mount in the amount of \$53,100. The grant is part of the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program to provide support to eligible counties for the prevention, preparation, and response to Coronavirus.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to approve the \$53,100 grant application request for supplemental COVID-19 response funding for the Courts. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Missy Applegate requested permission to make application for a \$9,600 grant Election CARES Act Grant. The grant would provide reimbursement of payroll expenses associated with additional expenses in running the election due to COVID-19.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the grant application request for \$9,600 from the CARES Act application. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE; BRIDGE INSPECTIONS

Commissioners signed the Bridge Inspection Report. Highway Supervisor Jill Baker informed members that the Community Crossings Grant awards should be announced next week. Tobias confirmed that he would attend the next Council meeting to discuss future match funding for the next round of CCMG applications.

Baker informed the BOC that gates that deter driving through the Crothersville bottoms when flooded continue to be vandalized and damaged. Baker asked if removal of the gates, with signage and fines would work. Lizenby requested Baker obtain a copy of Jackson County's ordinance that addresses driving in flooded areas. Tobias questioned using another blocking method besides a gate. Jones said he preferred closing access to the flooded roads.

SCEDC CONTRACT WITH BLUE & COMPANY FOR TAX RETURN SERVICES; MOU FOR ROBOTICS PROGRAM (BOBBIE FOSTER)

An agreement with Blue & Company, LLC was presented for services for tax return services for the Scott County Economic Development Corporation. The agreement specified that costs would not exceed \$2,000.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to approve the agreement on behalf of SCEDC for use of Blue & Company, LLC for tax return services, not to exceed \$2,000. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

A Memorandum of Understanding was presented for the marketing support services of Bobbie Foster for the Scott County Robotics and Maverick Challenge youth programs. Commissioners and the Redevelopment Commission agreed to support the robotics program separated from the SCEDC status. Per the agreement, Foster would be compensated \$10,800 for her professional services; registration fees of \$500; and prize awards totaling \$1,200 would be expensed for the program.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby motioned to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Bobbie Foster for marketing support of the youth robotics program. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

E911/EMA UPDATE; CLAIMS CONSIDERATION PAYABLE TO FOTRONIC

E911/EMA Director Jeff Fortner reported that a flashing stop sign would be installed at the intersection of Slab Road and State Road 56. Long term plans for that intersection include a turn lane on eastbound SR 56. Fortner informed the BOC that 53,424 calls have been taken through December 1, 2020. Fortner is also working on the promotion of Nixel alerts for citizens.

Fortner requested approval to purchase a Mavic Enterprises drone from the Fotronic Corporation and approve payment of the \$3,272 claim.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned to approve the purchase and payment to Fotronic Corporation for the purchase of a Mavic Enterprises drone in the amount of \$3,272. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Jones thanked Fortner for his work the day of the Thomas Plastic fire, stating the evacuation ran smoothly.

2020 TAX SALE RESOLUTIONS FOR CERTIFICATE ASSIGNMENTS TO CITY OF AUSTIN (#2020-012) AND CITY OF SCOTTSBURG (#2020-013)

A Resolution Assigning 2020 Tax Sale Certificates to the City of Austin was presented for consideration.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve and sign Resolution #2020-012 for 2020 Tax Sale Certificate Assignments to the City of Austin. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

A Resolution Assigning 2020 Tax Sale Certificates to the City of Scottsburg was presented for consideration.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve and sign Resolution #2020-013 for 2020 Tax Sale Certificate Assignments to the City of Scottsburg. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

RENEWAL OF LIFESPRING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACT FOR JAIL

A renewal contract for mental health services provided by LifeSpring in 2021 for inmates was presented for approval.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the 2021 LifeSpring Mental Health Services contract to inmates in the Jail. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF NOVEMBER MONTHLY CLAIMS

The regular monthly batch of claims for November 2020 were presented for consideration and payment approval.

<u>MOTION</u>: Jones motioned to approve payment of the November 2020 monthly claims as presented. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL AND LONGEVITY RATIFICATION FOR NOVEMBER 19 & 21, 2020; CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 21, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

The Payroll Docket for November 19, 2020 and Longevity Docket for November 21, 2020 were presented for ratification.

MOTION: Lizenby motioned to ratify the November 19, 2020 Payroll Docket and the November 21, 2020 Longevity Docket. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the October 21, 2020 Regular meeting were presented for consideration and approval.

MOTION: Jones motioned to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2020 regular meeting as written. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

EMS DEPARTMENT UPDATE; SOP ADDENDUM; COMPLAINT RESPONSE

EMS Director Shannon Mount reported that revenue was increasing. Mount said the monitor equipment had been ordered. Mount stated he would be moving forward with the purchase of another ambulance and was given a \$20,000 trade in value for the old ambulance. Tobias encouraged Mount to never give up on this County based EMS service.

Mount explained his SOP inclusion of a prescription disclosure for employees. Mount said this was necessary due to the routine drug screening.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Jones motioned to adjourn the December 2, 2020 Regular meeting of the Scott County Board of Commissioners. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Robert Tobias, President

John Lizenby, Vice President

Mike Jones, Member

Tammy Stout Johnson, Augitor