EXECUTIVE SESSION

SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 3, 2021

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on March 3, 2021 at 4:00 pm in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Commissioners Mike Jones, John Lizenby, and Randy Julian. Also present was Auditor Tammy Stout Johnson.

The meeting was called for purposes allowed by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a) (1) (b) (6) (A) and I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a) (1) (b) (7).

REGULAR SESSION

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The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on March 3, 2021 at 5:00 pm in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Courthouse. Those present were Commissioners Mike Jones, John Lizenby and Randy Julian. Also present was Auditor Tammy Stout Johnson.

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

RIVER HILLS EDC: LARE AND COVID 19 RESPONSE GRANTS

Melissa Woods of River Hills EDC presented the agreement for professional services in the amount of \$1,500 for administration of the Lake and River Enhancement IDNR Grant. The Commissioners on behalf of the Drainage Board received notification of up to \$40,000 to be awarded for improvements along the Muscatatuck River.

<u>MOTION</u>: Julian moved to approve the \$1,500 professional services agreement with River Hills EDC for the LARE grant administration services work. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Woods then asked the Board to consider Resolution #2021-003 to Confirm the Application and Local Match Commitment for the OCRA COVID-19 Response Grant (Community Development Block Grant).

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby moved to approve Resolution #2021-003 for the CDBG application and match commitment for the COVID-19 Response grant. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Woods was asked to look for funding opportunities for the Museum. Woods asked about the selection committee, should Scott County be awarded the CDBG funds. All agreed to have the Redevelopment Commission review the applications from the local small businesses and make recommendations to the BOC for the awards.

VISITORS COMMISSION-COURTYARD HOLIDAY LIGHTING; PIGEON ROOST SITE

Visitors Commission Director Mike Chesser informed members of the intent to change the Holiday light display on the Courtyard. Chesser said he would reach out to the City of Charlestown to work on getting some of their unused equipment. Chesser hoped to have a festival centered on a lighting ceremony. All members agreed to have Chesser move forward with a new light display for the Courtyard.

Chesser was asked about the grants provided by the Visitors Commission. Chesser stated that a \$10,000 annual commitment is honored for Preservation. The request of Pigeon Roost Memorial Site was tabled with a possibly a phased in approach to the funding. Chesser commented on how good the Pigeon Roost site looked, best in years. Chesser added that Pigeon Roost Memorial is the most significant historical site in the County (back to War of 1812) and asked the BOC to keep up maintenance, mowing, and tree removal improvements. Chesser mentioned the need for the fencing to be repaired and would eventually like to see a timeline display board at the site.

SHERIFF'S UPDATE

Lizenby thanked Sheriff Jerry Goodin for help with the mowing of the cemetery at Pigeon Roost. Goodin offered assistance to help clean up the park.

Sheriff Goodin informed the Board that Bob Tobias volunteered his services for the Sheriff's Evidence Auction on May 22, 2020 at 10:00 am. Goodin requested that the out of commission and seized vehicles be sold that same day with proceeds being receipted back to the originating funds, if applicable. All members agreed to allow Sheriff Goodin to proceed with the Evidence Auction and auction of the vehicles.

Sheriff Goodin reported that the 2021 Jail Inspection would be performed by the State on March 4, 2021. Goodin would like to host a tour of the Jail and would be inviting Commissioners in the near future.

Goodin requested a feed from the trash sites if cameras were installed. Sheriff Goodin also suggested that the next stop sign violation ordinance be made effective countywide.

E911 MEDICAL DIRECTOR MOU; TOWER AGREEMENT FOR FIRE REPEATER; WEATHER EMERGENCY SIGNATURES; COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

EMA/E911 Director Jeff Fortner presented the annual Memorandum of Understanding for the E911 Medical Director with Dr. John Croasdell.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby moved to approve the renewal of the annual Memorandum of Understanding with Dr. John Croasdell as E911 Medical Director. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Fortner requested approval and signatures for the updated Scott County Comprehensive Emergency Plan.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve and sign the Scott County Comprehensive Emergency Plan. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Fortner requested signatures on the recent weather emergency declaration level. Jones added if the County went "red" then only emergency vehicles would be permitted to travel and the county would have been shut down and businesses forced to close.

Fortner presented an agreement for installation of a Fire Repeater on the WMPI Radio Tower located on Shea Road. The annual cost for use of the tower would be \$5,100 (one-time payment) or \$6,000 if paid monthly.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby moved to approve the agreement for the installation and yearly rental charges for the placement of a Fire Repeater on the WMPI Radio Tower on Shea Road, provided the County Attorney reviews and finds no issue with the contract. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR POSITION JOB DESCRIPTION AND COMPENSATION; HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO BOOKKEEPER TITLE CHANGE

Commissioners reviewed the revised job description and title change for the Highway Supervisor. The new title would be Highway Supervisor and the job description would be based on requirements and duties of the incumbent being an Engineer.

<u>MOTION</u>: Julian moved to approve the Highway Supervisor position change of title to Highway Director with the requirement of Engineer. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

With the additional funding provided by the State in the amount of \$40,000 for a Highway Engineer stipend, members considered the starting salary, exempt status, of the Highway Director. The 2021 salary of the former Highway Supervisor was set at \$55,286.40. That amount already budgeted and coupled with the \$40,000 from the State, members considered setting the compensation at \$95,000 annually.

MOTION: Julian moved to compensate the exempt position of Highway Director at a salary of \$95,000 annually and send a letter to Council for the amendment of the 2021 Salary Ordinance to include the additional \$40,000 for the Highway Engineer stipend. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

A conditional offer of employment was requested for Andrew Boswell to accept as the Scott County Highway Director.

Regarding the job title and description change for the current Highway Administrative Assistant position, Julian suggested to table the matter until the new Highway Director could provide input. By consensus, discussion on proposed changes to the Highway Administrative Assistant position was tabled until the new Highway Director was in place.

EMS UPDATE

EMS Director Shannon Mount requested permission to combine the multiple software applications to one vendor, ESO Patient Care Software Systems for ease of use.

<u>MOTION</u>: Julian moved to approve the contract with ESO Patient Care Software Systems for EMS. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Mount updated the Board on the Safe Haven project. Mount stated he was reaching out to organizations for donations to help fund the \$12,000 needed for the installation. Mount said an alarm would be triggered whenever the box was opened and the camera in the lobby of the EMS would be removed so it would not be a deterrent to autonomy. By consensus, members agreed to proceed with the Safe Haven project.

FEBRUARY2021 MONTHLY CLAIMS CONSIDERATION

The regular monthly claims docket for February 2021 were presented for consideration and payment approval.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve and pay the regular claims for the month of February 2021. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL RATIFICATION FEBRUARY 26, 2021; CONSIDERATION OF JANUARY 20, 2021 MINUTES

The Payroll docket for February 12, 2021 was presented for consideration and ratification.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve and ratify the February 26, 2021 payroll docket as presented. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the January 20, 2021 Regular Commissioner meeting were presented for review and consideration.

<u>MOTION</u>: Lizenby moved to approve the January 20, 2021 meeting minutes as written. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY ATTORNEY RESPONSES

Commissioners were open to having one attorney for both Council and Commissioner legal counsel. No selection for the County Attorney was made at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Before adjournment, Julian expressed a desire to look into taking some of the older subdivision roads into the County's road system. Jones referenced the County Surveyor's opinion that if it was platted, it was possible. Jones added he would be willing to divert the 1.5 mile paving allowance from the State to the projects. Lizenby said he would like to address the matter, ensuring that actions of the Board were completely legal.

There being no other business, Lizenby moved to adjourn the March 3, 2021 Regular meeting of the Scott County Board of Commissioners. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Jones President

John Lizenby, Vice President

Randy Islan Member

Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor