

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 2, 2022

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on February 2, 2022 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 Attorney Zach Stewart and 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. Cindy Sullivan informed the BOC of her interest in using the Courtyard gazebo for small musical events. Sullivan was informed about the application for use of the Courtyard.

AMEND AGENDA; CLOSE COURTHOUSE/COUNTY OFFICES FOR WEATHER EMERGENCY

Jones requested to amend the meeting agenda to include County operations during the inclement weather event of ice and snow.

MOTION: Jones moved to amend the agenda to include discussion of the impending weather event and consideration of closure of county offices. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to close all County offices on Thursday, February 3, 2022 due to the weather emergencies with the exception of Emergency Services and the Highway Department. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

2022 CEASE GRANT AWARDS AND DISBURSEMENT APPROVAL

Bobbi Foster of CEASe requested approval of the grant distributions from the 2021 collections in the Drug Free Community Fund. The recommendations for the 2022 CEASe Grant recipients were reviewed by the Board. Agency award amounts totaled \$14,381.72 with the remainder of the \$18,381.72 going to operating and administrative costs.

MOTION: Julian moved to approve the payment of \$18,381.72 in claims from the Drug Free Community Fund along with approval of the agencies and award amounts as recommended by CEASe. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ON UNSAFE BUILDING STATUS FOR 2880 NORTH NEW FRANKFORT ROAD; HEALTH BOARD APPOINTMENTS; COVID OT POLICY

Health Department Director Michelle Matern reported that the Unsafe Building violation issues had been satisfactorily addressed at 2880 North New Frankfort Road.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to acknowledge the conditions were satisfied from the order issued regarding the Unsafe Building located at 2880 North New Frankfort Road. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern requested that Jean Robbins and Sharon Prall be reappointed to the Health Board.

MOTION: Jones moved to reappoint Jean Robbins and Sharon Prall to the Scott County Health Board. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern requested renewal or an extension of the policy that would allow for overtime hours and paid compensation for the COVID Clinic through June 30, 2022. The Overtime Pay Policy would cover those workers that have to work holidays, extra hours, etc.

MOTION: Julian moved to approve the renewal/extension of the Health Department COVID Clinic approving overtime hours until June 30, 2022. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

**RATIFY AND APPROVE ONLINE AUCTION SALES LIST; AUCTION PROCEEDS FUND
ORDINANCE #2022-002; COMMUNITY CROSSINGS PROJECTS QUOTES**

Highway Supervisor Kevin Hall provided a list of Highway Department surplus personal property items for approval and ratification to be sold online at govdeals.com.

MOTION: Jones moved to approve the sale of surplus Highway Department personal property items, those already listed as sold and those remaining unsold to date. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to amend his motion to include the Nelson trailer on the list of items approved for sale. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance #2022-002 for the Establishment of a Scott County Highway Department Auction Proceeds Fund was presented for adoption consideration. The ordinance would create the fund for the receipt of auction proceeds and allow expenditures for facility and property upgrades, maintenance, improvements, storage upgrades, equipment, tools, and vehicles.

MOTION: Julian moved to adopt Ordinance #2022-002 for the Establishment of a Scott county Highway Department Auction Proceeds Fund. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Bids for the Community Crossings Road Rejuvenation project were opened by the Commissioners. Hall stated the purpose for the funding was road preservation. Two (2) bids were received.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to table a decision on the Community Crossing Project rejuvenation bids until all bids can be reviewed. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

**EMS DEPARTMENT UPDATE; EMR CLASSES FOR FIREMEN; PARAMEDIC TRAINING INSTITUTE
TUITION; CHECKING ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION; STRYKER CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

EMS Director Nick Oleck reported on run activity, training, and supplies. Oleck also updated the BOC on the repair of the Kubota. After Anderson's assessed the ATV, Oleck was informed that salt residue created damage to the transmission.

Oleck suggested that Scott County Volunteer and Scottsburg City Firemen be allowed to take EMR classes for free, but the course book would have to be provided or paid for by the student.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to allow any Scott County firemen to take the EMR course for free as long as they supplied or purchased the book. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Oleck state he would like to proceed with the next Paramedic Training class in July 2022. Oleck had researched course tuition for comparison and recommended changing the current tuition rate from \$6,500 to \$8,000. Oleck also mentioned the possibility of an employment contract for those employees taking advantage of tuition discounts.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve the tuition fee for the Paramedic Training course at \$8,000 and continue with the 50% discount for full time Scott County employees and 35% discount for part time County employees. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

The EMS checking account records needed to be updated to reflect the change in directors. Auditor Johnson provided a letter to Wesbanco for authorization to remove former Interim Director West and add the new Director Nick Oleck as signatory. The letter also authorized Pat Forbes, Administrative Assistant, to remain on the account.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to add Nick Oleck to the Wesbanco EMS checking account, remove Kyle West, but retain Patricia Forbes as signatories. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Attorney Zach Stewart requested approval for an amendment to the Stryker agreement for the returned equipment. The amendment corrected a model number on the equipment list.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve the amended Stryker contract for correction of a model number on the list of returned equipment. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

2022 BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Jones nominated William Graham for the Scott County Redevelopment Commission to replace Scott Howser.

MOTION: Jones moved to appoint William Graham to the County’s Redevelopment Commission and remove Scott Howser. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) opposed (Lizenby state he wanted to speak with Howser first).

No other changes were suggested or nominations made to change appointments in 2022 from those serving in 2021.

MOTION: Julian moved to leave all remaining board appointments as currently appointed for 2022. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSTRUCTION IN JAIL; COMPLIANCE WITH TAKE HOME CAR ORDINANCE

Jones stated that Commissioners are in charge of county buildings and that approval of the BOC is required before changes are made to facilities. Jones said he sent multiple communications to the Sheriff to stop the studded wall project in the Jail. Jones said the Sheriff did not respond, so Jones contacted the County Attorney. Jones stated that such construction needed engineer and state approval, fire marshal inspection, as well as a permit from the Scottsburg Plan Commission.

Julian questioned the temporary description of the wall when he observed anchors to the floor.

Lizenby asked Attorney Stewart to weigh in on this matter. Stewart replied that an argument could be made that the BOC had control of real and personal property of the county. Alterations or modifications to the Jail might not specifically qualify, but the normal process would be to approach the BOC regarding modifications.

Lizenby questioned bringing the project, if out of compliance, into compliance by seeking permits, etc. if needed. Jones added that he did not like being ignored, whether he would have agreed with the project or not. Jones also mentioned that he had spoken with the Sheriff on a previous exterior modification that was not brought before the BOC. Julian said that we hold citizens to certain standards, so we need to do the same and lead by example.

MOTION: Jones moved to seek outside legal counsel, up to and including an order, to remedy the issue between the BOC and the Sheriff regarding the construction project at the Jail. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) opposed (Lizenby felt there was a better and less expensive way to handle the matter).

MOTION: Jones moved to add the Sheriff's compliance with the recent ordinance regarding take home vehicles to the list for outside counsel advice. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) opposed (Lizenby).

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS INTERIM DIRECTOR POSITION

Attorney Stewart explained the joint authority of the BOC and the Community Corrections Advisory Board. Stewart reported that on January 20, 2022, during an Open Meeting of the Scott County Community Corrections Advisory Board and pursuant to Indiana Code 11-12-2-3.5, the members of the CCAB unanimously voted to remove, with approval of the Board of Commissioners, Bryan Renschler as Interim Director of Scott County Community Corrections "for cause".

MOTION: Lizenby moved to accept the recommendation of the Community Corrections Advisory Board of the "for cause" removal of Bryan Renschler as the Interim Director of Community Corrections. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Additionally, at the same Open Meeting of the CCAB, a recommendation was approved to terminate the at-will employment of Bryan Renschler with Scott County.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to follow the recommendation from the CCAB to terminate the at will employment of Bryan Renschler with Scott County. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Subsequently, at the same Open meeting of the CCAB, a recommendation was approved to appoint Amanda Hurt as the Interim Director of Community Corrections.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to appoint Amanda Hurt as Interim Director for Community Corrections as recommended by the CCAB. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

LEOTA COVERED BRIDGE PROJECT QUOTES

A new scope of work was developed by the County's Building Inspector for the Leota Covered Bridge roof project. The three (3) contractors that had submitted quotes from the first request were contacted regarding the opportunity to provide quote based on the new scope of work.

Two (2) bids were received: JA Broady Construction at \$28,250 and LKS Rose at \$46,082.20.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to accept the bid from JA Broady Construction in the amount of \$28,250 for the Leota Covered Bridge Project. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

EMA WEATHER UPDATE; MOU WITH SCOTT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

EMA/E911 Director Jeff Fortner requested certification of the Scott County Comprehensive Emergency Plan. Commissioners signed the Plan.

Fortner presented an Interlocal Agreement between the County and Scott County School District #1 for the transfer of a 2002 Chevrolet Minibus. The donated vehicle would be used by EMA.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve the Interlocal agreement with SCSD#1 which donated of a 2002 Chevy Minibus for use of EMA. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

The agreement will to Council for consideration.

PROPOSAL FOR NEW COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM

Jones visited the topic of upgrading the low band radio system. Fortner reviewed the Indiana Code for public purchasing with Attorney Stewart.

MOTION: Jones moved to approve the project to upgrade the low band radio system if the conditions are met to comply with IC 5-22-10 for Special Purchases from a single vendor. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Jones suggested to pay for the upgrades from the American Rescue Plan Act funds.

MOTION: Jones moved to purchase the low band radio system upgrades from ECS with funding coming from the ARPA fund in the amount of \$530,000. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

TRANSFER STATION INSPECTION; STAR STICKER FUND

Auditor Johnson provided information from a recent inspections of the Transfer Station conducted by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management.

Johnson then requested a decision on covering the \$10,816.83 shortfall in the STAR Sticker Fund.

MOTION: Jones moved to approve use of the County Timber Fund for expenses in the amount of \$10,816.83 of the STAR Sticker program. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL RATIFICATIONS FOR JANUARY 14 AND JANUARY 28, 2022; CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM DECEMBER 15, 2021 REGULAR MEETING; SPECIAL MEETING ON DECEMBER 27, 2021, AND JOINT MEETING ON DECEMBER 27, 2021

Payroll dockets for January 14, 2022 and January 28, 2022 were presented for consideration and ratification.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to ratify the January 14, 2022 and January 28, 2022 Payroll Dockets as presented. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the December 15, 2021 Regular meeting, the Special Meeting on December 27, 2021, and the Joint Meeting held on December 27, 2021 were presented for review and approval consideration.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve minutes from the December 15, 2021 Regular meeting, the Special Meeting on December 27, 2021, and the Joint Meeting held on December 27, 2021, as written. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

JANUARY 2022 MONTHLY CLAIMS PAY CONSIDERATION

The regular monthly claims docket for January 2022 was presented for consideration and approval for payment.

MOTION: Jones moved to approve payment of the January 2022 monthly claims with the

exception of three (3) invoices payable to Vail's True Value in the amounts of \$250.38; \$233.78, and \$39.96. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

SCOTTSBURG MAIN STREET LETTER OF SUPPORT

A letter of support was requested by Visitors Commission Director Mike Chesser. The letter would indicate the interest of the Scott County Commissioners in the Scottsburg Main Street group's mission for community events.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to send a letter of support for Scottsburg Main Street. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

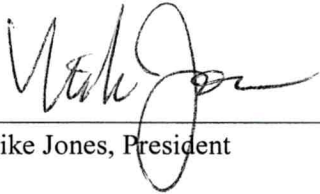
BLUE & COMPANY SERVICES CONTRACT FOR SCEDC TAX PREPARATION

An agreement with Blue & Company was presented for 2021 tax return preparation of the Scott County Economic Development Corporation.

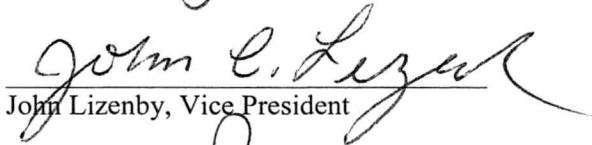
MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve the agreement with Blue & Company for the 2021 tax preparation service for the SCEDC. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Lizenby moved to adjourn the February 2, 2022 Regular meeting of the Scott County Board of Commissioners. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.



Mike Jones, President



John Lizenby, Vice President



Randy Julian, Member

ATTEST: 

Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor