

**REGULAR SESSION**  
**SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2022**

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on February 16, 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 were 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. Steve Meyer, of Regional Development, invited members to the next RDA meeting.

**VISITORS COMMISSION**

Todd Richey, President of the Visitors Commission, addressed the BOC regarding the State Board of Accounts management letters presented in exit conferences after the last few annual audits. VC Director Mike Chesser said he made numerous attempts at contacting Commissioners to discuss the SBOA opinion that the VC was a County department. Richey referenced several comments made by Council members during a recent meeting and expressed his dissatisfaction. Richey provided a list of the current VC Board members to the Commissioners. Auditor Johnson reported on a meeting that was held on September 23, 2020 over the status of the VC as viewed by the SBOA. Johnson also provided email responses from the SBOA regarding questions stemming from that meeting. The SBOA provided two (2) options. The first would be to continue with the VC as a county department, which would require the payroll and bookkeeping functions be moved to the Auditor’s Office or the county could contract with a not for profit agency for tourism. However, SBOA plainly stated that the Commission itself could not convert to the NFP.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to permit the separation of the employees, etc. from the County to permit Chesser to form a not for profit tourism agency. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

**YOUTH CENTER PROPOSAL**

At the invitation of Julian, representatives of the Young Marines and the Youth Football League came before the BOC to request use of the field, parking lot, and some interior space on the Health Department campus. Commissioners were told that use of the school property was suspended due to the school’s request for a donation. Jones said he would talk to Superintendent Slaton about use of school property for football. Jones asked for more specifics on the intended use of the grounds and building. It was explained that outside use would be for football practices and games. The YM would conduct drills outdoors. The building would be used for meetings and activities during inclement weather. Lizenby asked if the future Verizon tower would be an issue. Julian said it would not interfere. Jones expressed his concern with games and spectators. The group said that restrooms would eventually be needed, but could get by with portable ones for a while. Jones added that he needs a plan before he would vote. Lizenby agreed with Jones and stated he was not prepared to vote on it yet either. Julian said he was open to the idea of letting youth organizations use the property and spending some money to make it work. Jones said he was not against this but needed to have more information. Lizenby agreed with Jones again. Julian then requested that Jones provide a list of the needed information.

**JSE ENGINEERING ON TRAFFIC STUDIES**

Brad Isaacs of JSE Engineering introduced himself to the BOC and handed out information on his company’s services. Isaacs offered his assistance to the county on future projects adding that his focus was saving clients’ money.

### COUNTY WEED CONTROL BOARD REACTIVATION

Tom Springstun with the Purdue Extension Office provided information on the formation of the Scott County Weed Control Board in 1985. The purpose of a noxious or invasive weed control board is defined in Indiana Code. Springstun told the BOC that interest was growing to reactivate the dormant board. By consensus, members agreed to reactivate the Scott County Weed Control Board with appointment recommendations to be sent to the Auditor for subsequent appointment at a future meeting.

### TIGER FOODS CONTRACT FOR JAIL; SHERIFF'S OFFICER RADIO UPGRADES

Sheriff Jerry Goodin reported that the Jail's food service contract will expire on April 1, 2022. The current vendor, Tiger Foods, informed the Sheriff of a price increase with renewal. All members agreed that the contract should be opened for bids.

Sheriff Goodin would like to put surplus items for sale through the govdeals.com site. Goodin should bring a list of surplus items to the Commissioners when he is ready to post them.

Sheriff Goodin informed the BOC that the current 800 MHz radios used by the Officers are at the end of their technology life and will no longer be supported for repairs. If one fails, it will cannot be fixed. Goodin would like to purchase 30 new 800 MHz radios for the Sheriff's Department and requested the purchase be funded from the ARPA money. Sheriff Goodin said this request had nothing to do with the other request for the low band radio system. The new technology (LTE/TDMA) for the 800 MHz radios will utilize the State's system and Verizon cell towers to provide better coverage. There would be no need to build any additional towers.

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID SUPPORT PART TIME POSITION; OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUEST; SEPTIC PUMP AND HAUL ORDER

Health Department Director Michelle Matern requested approval for a job description for a part time COVID Support position. The position would be funded through a grant, have a work week of to 21 hours, and be paid at the County's standard part time wage of \$11.19 per hour. Matern reported that Council had approve the position for inclusion the 2022 Salary Ordinance.

**MOTION:** Julian moved to approve the grant funded COVID Support position job description as part time, up to 21 hours per week. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern requested approval for out of state travel for Preparedness Coordinator Patti Hall. Hall's trip to Georgia would be funded by District #9 and would be no cost to the County.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve the out of state travel request for Health Department employee Patti Hall to travel to Atlanta Georgia. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern explained the situation for a septic permit under consideration for a location at the intersection of State Road 3 and State Road 56. The findings for the site include compaction and fill issues along with a 6" higher site elevation than the base flood elevations. The State's Environmental Public Health Division recommended a local pump and haul order until a sewer connection becomes available. If approved, the local pump and haul septic order will be in effect for two (2) years and would need to be renewed until a sewer utility is available.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve a two-year local pump and haul septic order, contingent upon State approval, for the property located at SR 56 & SR 3 intersection. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY CROSSING PROJECT QUOTE APPROVAL; CLASS "A" CDL TRAINING; EAST SIDE OF SQUARE PARKING LOT PAVING QUOTES**

Highway Supervisor Kevin Hall brought the two (2) quotes for the Community Crossings Road Rejuvenation project back before the BOC which were opened and tabled at the February 2, 2022 meeting. Quotes were received from All Star Paving in the amount of \$74,045.46 and Rejuvetec in the amount of \$55,179.04. Rejuvetec only quoted the rejuvenation component, not the preservation portion. All Star Paving quoted both processes.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to accept and approve All Star Paving for the CCMG Preservation/Rejuvenation project. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Hall explained that Ivy Tech offered Class "A" CDL courses for free to individuals. Hall said it would benefit the Highway Department to have more staff with a Class "A" CDL. Hall asked if it would be permissible to pay regular wages (no overtime) to employees taking the training over the four (4) week course. Hall indicated the class would take about 30 hours per week with the balance of the 40 hours being work time.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve paying regular wages to employees attending Ivy Tech Class "A" CDL training since it benefited the County Highway Department operations. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

The quotes received on the paving work for the East Square parking lot was tabled by consensus. Hall will review the quotes.

**EMS PARAMEDIC PROGRAM; VEHICLE SWAP WITH HIGHWAY**

EMS Director Nick Oleck would like to advertise a Paramedic Training Institute Class for July 2022. Oleck recommended a tuition increase, setting it at \$8,000 for the course. The required down payment covers the cost of the books.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve the EMS Paramedic Training Course tuition at \$8,000 for the course and continue with Council for the appropriation to fund the July 2022 class. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

Another option was discussed for the trade/swap/purchase of vehicles between the Highway Department and EMS. This plan would move both EMS trucks to the Highway Department and the Colorado truck from the Highway would go to EMS. The Highway's F150 would be traded in for a Durango for EMS. The additional money needed for the purchase of the Durango would be approximately \$15,500.

**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve the swap of the EMS trucks to the Highway Department; the Highway Department Chevy Colorado to EMS; the Highway Department Ford F150 to be traded in towards the purchase of a Durango for EMS with the balance of \$15,500 coming from the Rental Proceeds Fund, if appropriated by Council. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

**E911 VENDOR CHANGE FOR MASS NOTIFICATIONS; NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN; STAFFING UPDATE; RADIO UPDATE**

EMA/E911 Director Jeff Fortner informed the BOC that he would like to change the mass notification vendor from Nixle to RAVE. The contract with Nixle will expire on March 15, 2022, but there is a stipulation on advance cancellation notification. Fortner was directed to give the contract to Attorney Stewart to review.

Due to an interstate running through Scott County, Fortner reported that the Centers for Exploited and Missing Children will provide free training for the E911 staff. The Standard Operating Procedures will be updated to reflect the training once completed.

Fortner told the members that some radio issues were improved with buzzing and patch capability.



**PAYROLL RATIFICATIONS FOR FEBRUARY 11, 2022; CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM  
REGULAR MEETING ON JANUARY 5, 2022 & FEBRUARY 2, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING**

The Payroll docket for February 11, 2022 was presented for consideration and ratification.


**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to ratify the February 11, 2022 Payroll Docket as presented. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.


Minutes from the January 5, 2022 Regular meeting and the February 2, 2022 Special meeting were presented for review and approval consideration.

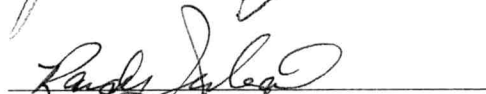
**MOTION:** Lizenby moved to approve the minutes from the January 5, 2022 Regular meeting and the February 2, 2022 Special meeting, as written. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.


**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, Lizenby moved to adjourn the February 16, 2022 Regular meeting of the Scott County Board of Commissioners. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

  
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 Mike Jones, President

  
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 John Lizenby, Vice President

  
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 Randy Julian, Member

ATTEST:   
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 Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor