

REGULAR SESSION
SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AUGUST 3, 2022

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on August 3, 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 opened the meeting for public comments. No comments were made by the public.

ART TUTTLE ON BOATMAN ROAD DRAINAGE

Citizen Art Tuttle revisited the topic of the drainage along Boatman Road in the Moonglo Road area. Tuttle thanked Commissioners for allowing him to speak with them. Tuttle asked if a drainage study was the responsibility of the Commissioners or the Drainage Board. Auditor Johnson reminded that legal drains and review of drainage plans for new developments were matters for the Drainage Board. Attorney Stewart stated that it was water flow affecting private property, therefore the study would be independent and not paid by appropriations of the County. Tuttle then inquired why he was not provided notification when ditching work was done in his area. Lizenby replied that neighbors were not notified when Tuttle worked on the ditch in front of his house. Tuttle’s response prompted Attorney Stewart to stop the discussion due to a perceived threat of litigation from Tuttle.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #2022-006 DESIGNATING A 4-WAY STOP INTERSECTION AT SLAB AND CUTSHALL ROADS

Julian informed the Board of verbal support for the changes to the intersection of Slab and Cutshall Roads. Lizenby said he has received objections from several regarding the additional stops at the intersection. Jones said he was interested in addressing the line of sight adding his uncertainty about more stop signs helping the situation.

MOTION: Julian moved to adopt Ordinance #2022-006 to create a 4 Way Stop Intersection at Slab and Cutshall Roads. Motion died for lack of second.

TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDINANCE #2022-007 FOR INDOT HIGHWAY 31 ROAD CLOSURE

Commissioners reviewed an Ordinance for limiting large commercial vehicle thru traffic on county roads during the INDOT Pigeon Roost Creek project on South US Highway 31.

MOTION: Julian moved to adopt Ordinance#2022-007 for Regulation of Thru Traffic on US Highway 31 Detours During the Pigeon Roost Bridge Replacement Project with the list of roads approved by the Highway Department Supervisor. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT COUNTYWIDE MOWING SERVICE QUOTES; ANNUAL BRIDGE INSPECTION; BRIDGE UPDATES

Highway Supervisor Kevin Hall along with USI, presented the updated Bridge Inspection Report. In total, 14 bridges were identified as in need of replacement. Three (3) of those are already in process. Reid Road bridge will be surveyed in a few days; boring on Getty Road bridge will begin in a few days; and utilities relocation was requested for the Main Street bridge.

Hall discussed the prospect of buying equipment needed to have county highway staff do the roadside mowing. Hall said that two (2) new tractors with side arm mowers would cost around \$100,000 each. Hall requested quotes from vendors for spring and fall mowing service based on 310 miles of road, cuttings left and right sides with a 5 foot swath where possible. Quotes were received from Scott’s Mowing (\$169,950) and KLB (\$60,760).

MOTION: Lizenby moved to table consideration of the mowing quotes. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: Julian then moved to accept the lowest bid for mowing services for the 2023 season if funding was approved by Council. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried with one abstain (Jones).

COVERED BRIDGE CERTIFICATION

Auditor Johnson requested approval for the covered bridge certification as required by Indiana Code. Scott County has one (1) covered bridge located in Leota.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve the covered bridge certification for the single covered bridge located in Scott County. Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

PURCHASING ORDINANCE #2022-008

Commissioners reviewed Ordinance #2022-008 for Purchasing guidelines. The ordinance replaced and repealed Ordinance #1998-8, 1998-9, 1998-10, and 2016-009. The purpose for the new ordinance was to bring the policy current to Indiana Code and condense related purchasing ordinances into a single source.

MOTION: Julian moved to adopt Ordinance #2022-008 for County Purchasing, therefore repealing and replacing prior purchasing ordinances as referenced. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

**CONSIDERATION OF REGULAR JULY 2022 CLAIMS; ADDITIONAL CLAIMS CONSIDERATION:
BAKER TILLY (\$6,150); MEAD LAW FIRM (\$474.75); STRIEGEL ASPHALT (\$20,000)**

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

MOTION: Julian moved to approve and pay all claims for July 2022 as presented. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional claims were presented for payment consideration to Baker Tilly in the amount of \$6,150; Striegel Asphalt Company in the amount of \$20,000; and Mead Law Firm in the amount of \$474.75.

MOTION: Lizenby moved to approve payment of the additional claims to Baker Tilly (\$6,150), Mead Law Firm (\$474.75), and Striegel Asphalt (\$20,000). Second provided by Julian. Motion carried unanimously.

**PAYROLL RATIFICATION FOR JULY 29, 2022; CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM
JUNE 23, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING AND JULY 11, 2022 REGULAR MEETING**

The Payroll docket for July 29, 2022 was presented for consideration and ratification.

MOTION: Julian moved to ratify the July 29, 2022 Payroll Docket as presented. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the June 23, 2022 Special Meeting and the July 11, 2022 Regular Meeting were presented for review and consideration.

MOTION: Julian moved to approve the June 23, 2022 Special Meeting minutes and the July 11, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes as written. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

ARPA FUND PROJECT CONSIDERATION-COURTYARD PERIMETER SIDEWALK

Commissioners discussed use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds to construct a perimeter sidewalk for the Courtyard. Lizenby questioned if the curb replacement would be included in the project. Lizenby suggested a fund raiser, such as the City’s brick sidewalk, to cover some of the cost.

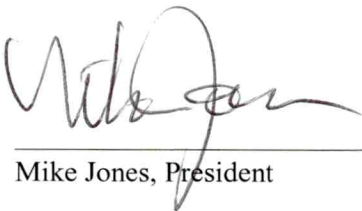
MOTION: Julian moved to approve the use of ARPA funds, not to exceed \$70,000, for the installation of a Courtyard perimeter sidewalk. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried with two (2) in favor and one (1) opposed (Lizenby).

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Julian said he would like to research the solar energy option for the Courthouse, Jail, Emergency Dispatch, and Corrections buildings. Julian also suggested looking into electric vehicles for law enforcement. Jones asked for reminder letters to be sent to departments regarding use of county equipment and transfer/disposal of county property.

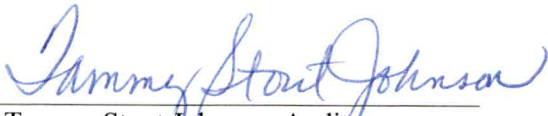
ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Lizenby moved to adjourn the August 3, 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