

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**  
**SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**AUGUST 17, 2020**

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on August 17, 2020 at 5:15 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. Members met for the purpose allowed by I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(a) (1) (b) (5).

**REGULAR SESSION**  
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**AUGUST 19, 2020**

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on August 19, 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. There were no comments made by the public.

**MALCON FUEL TAX REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM**

Charles Malinowski of Malcon presented information to the members on federal fuel tax that can be reimbursed to the County. Malcon provided a client list which included several counties, cities, and fire departments. The refund is based on the type of fuel purchased, type of vehicle, and proportional use as public transportation. The departments to benefit the most from this would be the Highway and EMS.

Refunds can be applied for up to 36 months in arrears. Fees for Malcon’s services would be 50% of the amount refunded up to \$1,500 per quarter. Malcon would not be paid until the County received the reimbursement. Attorney Stigdon was in attendance and reviewed the contract and limited Power of Attorney presented by Malcon.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to approve the contract and POA with Malcon for services to seek federal fuel tax reimbursement. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

**FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS RIGHT OF WAY REQUESTS**

Permission was requested by Frontier Communications to bore to a depth of 48” under Frog Pond Road for the placement of a 2” conduit for internet services. Highway Supervisor Baker did not foresee an issue with it. Frontier did not anticipate any damage to the road or any need for closure of the road during the work.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to allow the installation of the internet conduit by Frontier Communications under the right of way of Frog Pond Road. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE; COVID-19 TESTING SITE APPROVAL**

Patti Hall of the Health Department approached the Board regarding the operation of a COVID-19 Testing site at the old Health Department location. Director Matern had discussed the prospect at a previous meeting with the Commissioners, when OPTUM was to be offered the use of the

building. According to information from the State, OPTUM is on a month to month basis and is not the desired provider at this time. The Indiana State Department of Health is offering local health departments \$100,000 in grant funding to develop a community based testing as an alternative to OPTUM. The funding would cover the period from October 2020 to June 2021. Hall told members that Scott Memorial Hospital would be willing to partner with the Health Department to manage the staffing of the test clinic. Hall went on to explain that the State would be providing the software, hardware, testing supplies, and personal protection equipment. Hall gave members an estimated cost breakdown that totaled \$125,000. The additional expenses could be covered by CARES Act money allocated for use in Scott County.

Jones questioned why the County would want to operate a testing site when the State said it would provide one. Jones also wanted to know how the building renovation figures were determined. Lizenby commented that a local clinic would be for the benefit of the community. Tobias questioned how OPTUM was contracted for several million dollars to operate fifty (50) testing sites across the state, but local health departments were only offered \$100,000.

Hall requested permission for approval of the application for the \$100,000 Community COVID-19 Testing Site grant along with permission to approach Council regarding the additional \$25,000 needed to proceed with the project.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to approve the grant application for the \$100,000 COVID-19 Test Site and allow the \$25,000 request for the additional funds to go before Council for consideration. Second provided by Tobias. Motion carried with tow (2) in favor and one (1) opposed (Jones).

#### **PUBLIC DEFENDERS INCLUSION IN GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE**

Public Defender Coordinator Josh Stigdon requested consideration of allowing contracted Public Defenders to participate in the County's group health insurance. Stigdon said that the entire premium would be paid by the contracted participant with no expense to the County.

Auditor Johnson was waiting on information from our Insurance Agent regarding our participation agreement. Commissioners agreed by consensus to table the matter until more information was provided by our agent.

#### **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT UPDATE; TRASH SERVICE CONTRACT; CONTRACT FOR BODY SCANNER WARRANTY; MID-YEAR COMMISSARY REPORT; SCRAP METAL BIDS**

Sheriff Jerry Goodin provided the mid-year Commissary Fund report to the Board.

Sheriff Goodin requested permission to consult with Attorney Stigdon regarding the Rumpke contract dissolution and to move forward obtaining trash service from the City of Scottsburg.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to approve the trash service change from Rumpke to the City of Scottsburg. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Goodin recommended a three (3) year warranty agreement for the body scanner at the Jail. The warranty would be \$10,000 per year and provide 100% coverage of the device. Goodin was hopeful the \$30,000 could also be reimbursable under the CARES Act funds because the scanner is a "no contact" tool for body searches. Goodin requested support from the members to approach Council regarding the expense.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned approve the body scanner warranty agreement provided Council's approval of the expense of \$30,000 for the three (3) year coverage. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Advertisement was made for scrap metal bids on the old cooling tower. No bids were received in the Auditor's Office. By consensus, the Commissioners agreed to tear it down and scrap the metal at Baldwin's or take any higher subsequent offer.



Sheriff Goodin offered assistance and would have inmates mow the Pigeon Roost Cemetery for the remainder of the year.

Commissioners thanked the Sheriff for the allowing the inmates to assist with the Farmers to Families food distribution.

#### **EMS DIRECTOR POSITON**

Jones began discussion on the filling of the EMS Director Position by stating there were good candidates. Jones added that this is his most important hire since becoming a Commissioner.

Tobias agreed with the quality of applicants. Tobias said he would like to interview the three top candidates again. Lizenby concurred with Tobias.

Commissioners already had a Special meeting set on Monday, August 24, 2020 at 4:30 pm to discuss the location plans for Court related offices. Commissioners agreed to set an Executive Session at 5:30 pm for interviews, followed by an open Special meeting at 6:30 pm for the appointment of the EMS Director on Monday, August 24, 2020.

#### **457B PLAN DOCUMENT UPDATE FOR IN SERVICE DISTRIBUTIONS**

Auditor Johnson presented a modification to the Mass Mutual 457b Deferred Compensation Plan that would change the in-service distribution for participants from age 70 to age 59 ½ as allowed by the SECURE Act provision.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to approve the Mass Mutual 457B Plan amendment, changing the current age of 70 to age 59 ½ for in-service distributions. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PAYROLL RATIFICATION FOR AUGUST 14, 2020; COSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM JULY 15, 2020 REGULAR MEETING**

The Payroll Docket for the August 14, 2020 pay date was presented for consideration and ratification.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve and ratify the August 14, 2020 Payroll Docket as presented. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes from the July 15, 2020 Regular meeting were presented for consideration and approval.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve the July 15, 2020 Regular meeting minutes as written. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **MOWING OF COUNTY PROPERTIES**

Commissioners requested that advertisement be made for quotes on mowing the following County property sites: Transfer Station; North Gardner; Just Property; Pigeon Roost; and EMS. The advertisement should include the acreage of each parcel with instructions to bid the mowing by individual parcel.

Commissioners expressed interest in meeting with the Scott County Cemetery Commission to discuss the management of the mowing and labor force.

#### **EMA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR POSITION; GRANT APPLICATION REQUESTS**

E911/EMS Director Jessica Lee asked the Board to consider the EMA Deputy Director as a part time position. Lee estimated the work schedule to be approximately 14 hours per week with the rate of compensation at \$17.09 per hour. The job description was reviewed by WIS Consulting.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to approve the job description of the EMA Deputy Director and its status of a part time position. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

Lee presented application requests for four (4) grants as follows:

FEMA Public Assistance Grant which is reimbursable 75/25 for Coronavirus response and can be used in conjunction with the CARES Act. There is no set limit for funding.

CARES Act for COVID-19 Grant which is reimbursable and requires no matching funds. The State of Indiana has earmarked up to \$774,692 of Federal pass through funds for Scott County.

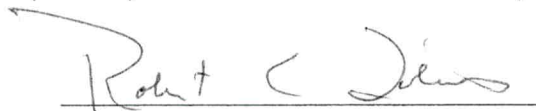
Emergency Planning Tabletop Exercise Grant in the amount of \$6,000 reimbursable for strategic response planning.

Emergency Planning Grant for reimbursement of EMA Department salaries up to \$18,000.


**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve the four (4) reimbursable grant applications as listed above for the EMA Department. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

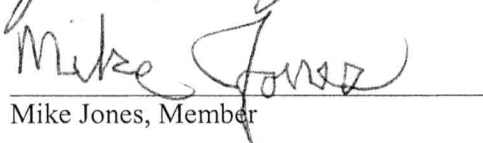
There being no other business, Jones motioned to adjourn the August 19, 2020 Regular meeting of the Commissioners. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.




Robert Tobias, President



John Lizenby, Vice President



Mike Jones, Member

ATTEST:   
Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor