

**REGULAR SESSION**

**SCOTT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**SEPTEMBER 2, 2020**

The Scott County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on September 2, 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. Council President Mike Zollman inquired about the continuation of the USDA food truck deliveries. Tobias replied that deliveries would probably resume next Wednesday. Zollman praised the program's benefits for the citizens of Scott County.

Jones informed the Board that he was contacted by a developer interested in Just Farm acreage for an auto auction business. Tobias added that Attorney Houston was looking into it as well. Jones will invite representatives to the next meeting for a presentation.

**SCOTT COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND ORDINANCE (#2020-006); ONE SOUTHERN  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Scott County EDC Board Secretary Jean Robbins explained the response from the State Board of Accounts regarding the status of the SCEDC. After the original adoption ordinances were reviewed by the SBOA, it was determined that the reorganized SCEDC was a county function so remaining funds of the EDC could be transferred to the County's ledger. Ordinance #2020-006 for the establishment of a Scott County Economic Development Commission Fund was presented for consideration. Robbins also presented a Memorandum of Understanding with One Southern Indiana for provisions of economic development services on behalf of the SCEDC. The agreement would be through July 2021 with a cost of \$20,000.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to adopt the Scott County Economic Development Commission Fund (Ordinance #2020-006) and accept the MOU One Southern Indiana in the amount of \$20,000 for economic development services through July 2021. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

**HEALTH DEPARTMENT UPDATE; COVID-19 TESTING SITE; BILLBOARD CONTRACT;  
PARKING LOT PERMITTED USE**

Health Department Director Michelle Matern reported that our county was still in the "blue" zone for COVID-19 infections, but a spike is expected after the upcoming Labor Day holiday. Matern requested permission to use the parking lot of the Health Department for research testing. By consensus, members agreed to the testing use from September 29 to October 1, 2020.

Matern requested the renewal of the billboard advertisement contracts in the amount of \$8,150 for the promotion on immunizations and public health.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve the renewal of the billboard advertisement contracts for the Health Department in the amount of \$8,150. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Matern informed members that renovations were underway at the old Health Department facility. Council approved \$25,000 from the Hospital Reserve Fund to fund the improvements until grant reimbursements were requested from FEMA or the CARES Act.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT UPDATE; PLAN FOR NEW VEHICLE ROTATION**

Sheriff Jerry Goodin told the BOC that Attorney Stigdon cleared the contract issue with Rumpke. The City of Scottsburg will be the trash service beginning October 1, 2020.

Plans were made to hold an outdoor Sheriff's auction on September 27, 2020 at 1:00 pm.

Sheriff Jerry Goodin informed the BOC that Council had approved a vehicle purchase and rotation plan. The Commissary Fund would be used to pay the final payment of the current lease agreement. Goodin would like to purchase two (2) new trucks and one (1) new Durango SUV with a new lease agreement. Goodin told members that the Prosecutor's Office might be interested in two (2) of the vehicles taken out of fleet rotation. Whatever vehicles were removed from rotation could also go to auction if the Commissioners did not see a need to move them on to another department.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to allow the lease financing purchase of two (2) new trucks and one (1) SUV for the Sheriff's Department. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE; GRANT ACCEPTANCE CLAIM APPROVAL; NEW MOWER QUOTE**

Highway Supervisor Jill Baker informed the BOC that a gas line was hit that serviced the Lexington Elementary School by workers of a company that did not have permission to bore under the road. The line was repaired without incident. Commissioners requested Baker forward information to the County Attorney.

Baker requested ratification for the application and acceptance of a \$12,600 grant award for Railroad Safety. The grant would cover upgrades to signs and crossing markings. Baker also requested urgent payment approval be given to the \$12,600 payment to the vendor AAA Striping Company.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to ratify and accept the Railroad Safety grant proceeds in the amount of \$12,600 for signs and markings improvements, and urgent payment approval for the \$12,600 claim for AAA Striping Company. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

Baker approached the members for permission to apply for a brush cutter mower and hot box from the COVID CARES Act grant funds. Baker said an additional mower would allow for more socially distanced tasks and the hot box is a one man operation. The estimated cost would be \$175,000.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to earmark \$175,000 from COVID CARES allocation for the proposal to purchase a brush cutter/mower and hot box for the Highway Department. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **MONTHLY CLAIMS CONSIDERATION FOR AUGUST 2020**

The regular monthly claims docket for August 2020 was presented for considerations and approval for payment with the amended claim to Shred-It.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve payment of the regular claims for the month of August including the Shred-It amended claim. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **PAYROLL RATIFICATION FOR AUGUST 28, 2020; CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 5, 2020 REGULAR MEETING**

The Payroll Docket from August 28, 2020 was presented for review and payment ratification.

**MOTION:** Lizenby motioned to ratify the payment of the August 28, 2020 Payroll Docket. Second provided by Jones. Motion carried unanimously.



Minutes from the August 5, 2020 Regular meeting were presented for consideration and approval.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve the minutes from the August 5, 2020 Regular meeting as written. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### QUOTES FOR MOWING OF COUNTY PROPERTIES

Members discussed the advertisement for mowing quotes of the County properties such as the Transfer Station; EMS back lot; Pigeon Roost site; field behind Health Department; and part of the old Just Farm (TIF District). Bidders should quote each location separately.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to approve advertisement for mowing quotes for county properties as indicated above to be opened at the September 16, 2020 meeting. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### RESTRICTION OF HOME ADDRESSES BY IC 36-1-8.5

Auditor Johnson explained that requests are now coming to the Assessor for restricted access to home addresses for "covered persons" as allowed by Indiana Code 36-1-8.5. Certain public officials and protected individuals can have public websites and databases withhold home addresses. Commissioners must direct WTH, our GIS vendor, to amend our agreement to comply with Indiana Code.

**MOTION:** Jones motioned to instruct the County's GIS vendor, WTH, to withhold home addresses, as allowed by IC 36-1-8.5, for those requests properly submitted to the Assessor's Office. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

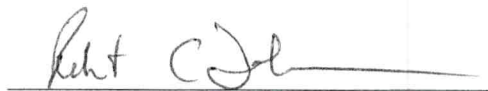
#### RETENTION OF VAN WILLIS FOR LEGAL CONSULTATION

Attorney Houston requested Attorney Van Willis be retained by the Commissioners for legal consultation regarding personnel matters.

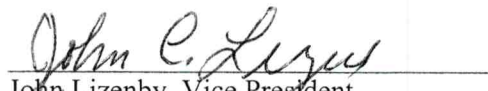
**MOTION:** Jones motioned to retain the legal services of Attorney Van Willis. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, Jones motioned to adjourn the September 2, 2020 Regular meeting. Second provided by Lizenby. Motion carried unanimously.



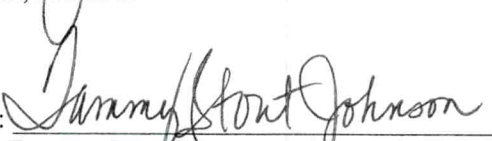
Robert Tobias, President



John Lizenby, Vice President



Mike Jones, Member

ATTEST: 

Tammy Stout Johnson, Auditor