

REGULAR SESSION RUSH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS NOVEMBER 12, 2019

The Rush County Board of Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, November 12, 2019 with Commissioners Mark Bacon, Paul Wilkinson and Bruce Levi, Auditor Jodi Harr and County Attorney Leigh Morning in attendance.

Commissioner Mark Bacon called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Military Veteran Jerry Sitton led the Pledge to the American Flag.

Minutes of the October 28, 2019 regular meeting were approved on a motion by Paul Wilkinson and seconded by Bruce Levi. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS

Auditor, Jodi Harr presented the biweekly claims docket for November 12, 2019 in the amount of \$306,539.00. Mark Bacon asked if there were any questions. There were none. Bruce Levi made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Paul Wilkinson seconded. Motion carried.

Payroll ending November 15, 2019 in the amount of \$184,968.88 was presented. Bruce Levi made the motion to approve payroll. Paul Wilkinson seconded. Motion carried.

JAIL CONSTRUCTION

Payment Requisition # 46 in the amount of \$815,338.63 for jail construction claims was presented for approval. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve payment requisition #46 as presented. Bruce Levi seconded. Motion carried.

Auditor Harr notified the commissioners that the bond funds were on track to be depleted by the end of December rather than the estimated date of February 2020. She will contact CCI for an explanation.

Ron Jarman requested the commissioners approve the Frontier contract for the new phone system at the new jail. The cost is \$36,706.17. This is \$4,837.30 less than the original quote. This is the same system that was installed at the courthouse earlier this year. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the contract. Bruce Levi seconded. Motion carried with all in favor.

Furniture for the dispatch center was discussed. Jarman requested two additional quotes. One vendor would not quote. Watson quoted but on a totally different layout than what was requested. The quote was \$5,100 less than the Dispatch Products quote of \$43,254. The quality of the furniture is also less. After discussion, Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the quote from Dispatch Products in the amount of \$43,254.00. Bruce Levi seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

INMATE MEDICAL CARE

Sheriff Allan Rice requested the commissioners approve a contract with Quality Medical Care to be effective January 1, 2020. Based on an inmate population of one hundred, the cost will be \$169,000.00. The contract includes a nurse at the facility forty hours per week, doctor visits one time per week but available twenty four hours a day seven days a week, pharmacy expenses and mental health services. Paul Wilkinson asked if there is a clause that either party can leave the contract at any time with a notice. County Attorney Leigh Morning stated there is. Discussion was held regarding whether the current medical provider has been notified. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the contract and requested the sheriff personally contact current inmate physician Dr. Doug Morrell within forty eight hours. Mark Bacon seconded the motion. Bruce Levi voted no. Wilkinson and Bacon voted yes. Motion carried.

RECORDER

County Recorder Kevin Spilman requested approval of his annual maintenance contracts with CCI. They will be paid from the Recorder Perpetuation fund. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve the contracts. Bruce Levi seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

RIDE RUSH

Ride Rush Director Tina Logan presented the third quarter INDOT financial report. She is working well with INDOT. Paul Wilkinson made the motion to sign the report. Bruce Levi seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Sandy Fussner gave an update on happenings in Rush County. The Heart of Rushville is requesting use of the first floor of the courthouse on November 22 between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. for Christmas on Main. Chuck Kemker will be available to lock and unlock the courthouse. Bruce Levi made the motion to approve the request. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Jerry Sitton presented his October monthly report. He also presented a contract between Rush County and INDOT in the amount of \$935,918.72 for the 2019 Community Crossings Matching Grant. The county match will come from MVH Restricted funds summer construction account. Bruce Levi made the motion to approve the contract. Paul Wilkinson seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

SHERIFF

Sheriff Allan Rice presented his department statistical and training report. In personnel matters, a full time correction officer has accepted a position at Rushville City Police department. He will most likely hire a replacement from his part time correction officers. The commissioners thanked the inmates for painting the top step on the south side of the courthouse.

TREASURER

The Treasurer reports for September and October were received.

PUBIC OFFICIAL BONDS

The Public Official bonds for 2020 were presented for approval:

- Assessor Mary Ann Bridges
- Clerk Angela Buckley
- Prosecutor Philip Caviness
- Investigator Catherine Custer
- Deputy Treasurer Melissa Fizer
- Auditor Jodi Harr
- Treasurer Cindra Humphrey
- Coroner Ronald Jarman
- RCSWD Treasurer Joyce Miller
- Surveyor Marvin Rees
- Sheriff Allan Rice
- Deputy Treasurer Krista Richey
- Recorder Kevin Spilman

Paul Wilkinson made the motion to approve all of the above bonds. Bruce Levi seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

2020 APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments need to be made by the commissioners for 2020:

- County Attorney
- Emergency Management Director
- Highway Superintendent
- Rush Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees
- Area Plan Commission
- E911 Board
- Eastern Indiana Regional Planning Board
- Local Emergency Planning Commission

The commissioners request a Letter of Interest for each of these appointments be submitted to the Auditor by 9:00 a.m. on December 9. The appointments will be made at the December 19 commissioner meeting. They requested the auditor to advertise this in the Rushville Republican and on the county website.

Paul Wilkinson made the motion to adjourn. Bruce Levi seconded. Motion carried.

/Mark Bacon/
Mark Bacon, Chairman

/Paul Wilkinson/
Paul Wilkinson

/Bruce Levi/
Bruce Levi

ATTEST:

/Jodi Harr/

Jodi Harr, Auditor