

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING FEBRUARY 04, 2019

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 4, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Tyler Moore, member Brad Bray, County Auditor Martha Lake, and County Attorney Alan D. Wilson.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Jerry Asher and conducted by President Paul Wyman.

Commissioner Brad Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Chaplain John Murdoch offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of January 22, 2019, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

HIGHWAY:

Howard County Engineer/Superintendent Ted Cain presented the annual operation report for local streets and bridges for Howard County 2018 for signature by the Board. Mr. Moore made a motion for the board to receive and approve the annual operational report for local roads and streets and bridges for Howard County as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

The Board thanked the Highway Department for all their hard work and dedication during the winter cold and heavy snow.

MAINTENANCE:

County Maintenance Director William Stonestreet presented three sealed bids for unit six at the Jail. The fourth bid was sent by FedEx; however, it has not been received as of the time of the Board Meeting for presentation to the Board.

The bids were opened by the Board and read. Global Building Solutions LLC quoted to replace the roof at \$111,200.58 with a unit cost of \$4.50 per square foot. Blackmore & Buckner Roofing LLC quoted to replace the roof at \$156,950.00 with a unit cost of \$4.25. Henry C. Smither Roofing Co., Inc. quoted to replace the roof at \$171,360.00 with a unit cost of \$6.00. Mr. Moore made a motion to take the bids under advisement. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:

COUNTY ASSESSOR:

County Assessor Mindy Heady asked the Board of Commissioners to accept the 2019 nominations for re-appointment to the PTABOA board as presented. Mr. Moore made a motion to accept the re-appointments of the PTABOA Board, expiring December 31, 2019, as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion and, the motion carried.

Name	Board	Nomination	Action
Anne Harrigan	PTABOA	Reappointment	Accepted
Virginia Baker	PTABOA	Reappointment	Accepted

SUPERIOR COURT I:

Superior Court I Judge William Menges brought to the Board the issue with his staff and jury room chairs hydraulics malfunctioning. The cost to replace the fourteen chairs is estimated at \$200.00 each. Judge Menges had discussed a cost saving alternative with Maintenance Department and they have determined the estimated cost to repair the chairs is \$650.00. County Maintenance Director William Stonestreet stated he would be willing to pay for the repair of the chairs out of his General Fund Budget, if approved by the board; however, a ten-pack of cylinders for the chairs was estimated at \$650.00, and he was unsure of the final cost of the repair at this time. Mr. Moore made a motion to allow \$650.00 to \$800.00 for Maintenance to do the required repairs. The motion was second by Mr. Bray, and the motion carried.

HOWARD COUNTY FOUR-COUNTY COUNSELING:

Dr. Carrie Cadwell, Psy. D. HSSP, CEO of Four-County, spoke to the Board in regard to the new legislation to provide a 2018 Annual Report. She also conveyed information regarding services that have been provided to Howard County. In addition to sending the report, she wanted to come and physically present the information to the Board in the event there were any questions. This is their fourth year operating in Howard County serving over 1,200 individuals in 2018, which accounts for 38,000 face-to-face contacts. This year Four-County has added a new building in Howard County which will allow them to essentially offer a full continuum of care. They have added addiction services and adult intensive services. They have continued to partner and provide services to Kinsey and to the Department of Child Services.

Lisa Willis-Gidley, Assistant Vice President of Northern and Southern Regions, stated that Four-County has put a lot of effort into partnerships with the Kinsey Youth Center, to assist with the evening reporting requirements. They have designated a male and female therapist twice per month in order to do those intakes that are required and accommodate their needs. There is now a liaison at DCS who is working with both entities and they will begin doing intakes at their facility in a few weeks as well.

Dr. Cadwell stated that the second building they opened is actually their fourth clinic site in Kokomo, it being their second full out-patient site. They have sites in Indiana Health Center and one in the Kokomo Schools. They also partner with schools in this area.

The Commissioners specified that Four-County also partners with Turning Point, for which the Board is most appreciative. Dr. Caldwell invited the Board to come visit their sites.

SHERIFF:

Sheriff Jerry Asher brought before the board the matter of chairs for the Jail. The initial proposal was over \$10,000.00, which required him to bring it before the board. The 16 chairs are commercial grade and suitable for 24 hour use, costing \$17,552.00 to be paid from the Misdemeanor Grant Fund. Sheriff Asher will bring the request to the County Council at their February Meeting if approved by the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the chairs and stools for the new intake center at the Sheriff's Department utilizing Misdemeanor Grant funds in the amount up to \$17,552.00. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

Howard County Auditor Martha Lake submitted the following claims and reports for the Commissioners' information and approval:

1. **Salary Claims:** The Commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims to be paid February 15, 2019, in the amount of \$856,449.35 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore second the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid February 4, 2019, in the amount of \$974,676.35 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Bray. The motion was second by Mr. Moore, and the motion carried.
3. **Monthly Reports:** The following reports were received into record: Treasurer's Monthly Report as of December 31, 2018.
4. **Grants:** Auditor Lake presented the Community Development Block Grant on the New London/Russiaville Wastewater Improvement Project for a total payment of \$29,053.41 on February 4, 2019, to Davidson Excavating and Mendenhall and Associates. The payments are allocated to Davidson Excavating in the amount of \$25,053.41 and to Mendenhall and Associates in the amount of \$4,000.00. Mr. Moore made the motion to approve the next disbursement on the New London/Russiaville Wastewater Improvement Project in the amount of \$29,053.41 and for Mr. Wyman to sign on behalf of the Board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
5. Auditor Lake presented the Indiana Election Division Establishment Order where the new City annexed precincts in Darrough Chapel Sub Division have been approved.
6. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Executive Session regarding Courthouse Security on January 30, 2019. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

Mr. Moore read from the Legal Notice Planned Improvement letter from INDOT stating they have prepared Additional Information to the Categorical Exclusion, Level 2 for the Wildcat Creek Mitigation Site Easement Purchase of four easement parcels of land, approximately 32.85 acres east of Kokomo, north of E. CR 50 N., west of E. CR 50 N, west of N CR 400 E. and west of Kokomo Reservoir located in Howard County. An additional 3.12 acres are required for site access. This letter will be available at Kokomo Howard County Library, INDOT LaPorte District Office, and INDOT Public Hearings in Indianapolis. The letter was submitted into the record.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:22 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR
Howard County Commissioner Meeting February 4, 2019