

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING FEBRUARY 5, 2018

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday February 5, 2018, 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 Steve Rogers and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Commissioner Brad Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Vice President Tyler Moore offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of the January 16, 2018, regular meeting was accepted on a motion made by Mr. Moore as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

COUNTY MAINTENANCE:

1. County Maintenance Director William Stonestreet asked the Board of Commissioners to approve a dumpster for the Work Release Center. Mr. Moore made a motion to accept the Addendum to the Howard County Non-Hazardous Services Agreement adding the dumpster at the Work Release Center at a cost of \$149.68 per month. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. Mr. Stonestreet also asked for \$4,185.00 from Cum Cap Building Repair 1138.47241.000.0000 to cover the cost to fix an elevator shaft seal at the Work Release Center, the work to be performed by Murphy Elevator Co. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the work done on the elevator shaft at the Work Release Center for \$4,185.00 as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

KINSEY YOUTH CENTER:

1. Kinsey Youth Center Director Jeff Lipinski asked the Board of Commissioners to help upgrade the 25 year old camera system at the Kinsey Youth Center. He explained that Kinsey Youth Center could help pay some of the costs up to \$5,000.00. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the camera work at the Kinsey Youth Center with Integrity Communications Inc., with Howard County's portion to not exceed \$6,000.00. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. Mr. Lipinski also requested to host Four County Counseling at the Kinsey Youth Center for Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiatives (JDAI) events. An evening reporting system is currently hosted at Kokomo Center Schools. Four County Counseling would like to move the program to Kinsey Youth Center. Four County Counseling would pay \$500.00 per month for rent plus the cost of each meal served. The program lasts from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. The approximate start date is March 2018. County Attorney Alan Wilson has already approved the draft. Mr. Wilson is waiting for the final version. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the contract with Four County Counseling for the evening program at Kinsey Youth Center subject to the final revision of the contract and final approval by legal counsel and to authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY HIGHWAY:

1. County Highway Director Ted Cain asked the Board of County Commissioners to approve two change orders to Contract B-38025 in the amount of \$6,077.80 due to added pavement markings and \$12,712.40 due to the material encountered during excavation. The state requested the change orders, and the contract is currently running \$52,000.00 under budget. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the construction change orders for Bridge 508 contract number B-38025 in the amount of \$12,712.40 due to slag encountered and in the amount of \$6,077.80 due to additional pavement markings as required. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS:

1. Community Corrections Interim Director Brian Day asked for approval on the contract for Eagle Accounts Group Collection Agreement. Eagle Accounts is currently working with Miami County Community Corrections. Eagle Accounts Group specializes in government collection fees. Community Corrections has not been able to keep up with collecting. Mr. Wilson has reviewed the agreement. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Collection Agreement between Howard County Community Corrections and Eagle Accounts Group as presented, and to

authorize Commissioner Brad Bray to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

2. Mr. Day asked that the agreement with Stellar Services be approved. This contract contains accounting software, residential (inmate) phones, and commissary components for the Work Release Center. The Community Corrections Advisory Board has approved the contract. Mr. Wilson has reviewed the contract. Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the Stellar Services contract for phones and commissary at the Work Release Center and to authorize Vice President Tyler Moore to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS:

Sheriff Steve Rogers stated that there have been on-going issues with the radio system. Many issues have been addressed. Over the weekend the backup radio was used because the main radio system failed. There have been two conference calls today about these issues. The latest conference call included the administration of the Kokomo Police Department and the Kokomo Fire Department. They are issues of business as it deals with the contract and purchase of the radio systems. These concerns have been expressed to Mr. John Suzuki, President and C.E.O. for E. F. Johnson Technologies. Mr. Wyman expressed his appreciation to the Kokomo Police, Kokomo Fire, and the Howard County Sheriff department for working together through the issues. Mr. Suzuki has worked with the County and made sure we have had the appropriate people working with us on the conference calls. Mr. Wyman is confident that the issues will be worked through together. Mr. Rogers reiterated that the public safety population is not happy with how things are going. Mr. Rogers thanked the Commissioners and Mr. Wilson for working together to get things resolved. Mr. Wyman reiterated his belief in the company working to fix the issues. Mr. Wyman also expressed his gratitude in having a backup system and being able to switch to a backup system to operate. Mr. Moore also addressed the fact that each inquiry has been addressed. Mr. Wyman explained that every software conversion has challenges that need to be resolved, however, this system deals with the safety of officers and firefighters. That is why everyone is collectively working to resolve every issue.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

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 9, 2018, and February 16, 2018, in the amount of \$388,634.65 each, were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims to be paid February 5, 2018, in the amount of \$1,848,698.79 were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
3. **Monthly Reports:** The following departmental reports were submitted: Recorder's Monthly Report. The report was received by the Board of County Commissioners.
4. **Ratify Claims:** Auditor Lake submitted three early paid claims to Hearn Construction Inc. in the amount of \$57,819.29 and A.I. King Insurance Agency, Inc. in the amount of \$900.00, and Martin Brothers TV & Appliance in the amount of \$1,498.00 for signature and then requested that Mr. Wyman's signature be ratified. A motion was made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore, and carried to ratify the signature of Mr. Wyman on the Hearn Construction Inc., A. I. King Insurance Agency, Inc., and Martin Brothers TV & Appliance early paid claims.

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:

County Attorney Alan Wilson submitted minutes from the Executive Session held on January 24, 2018. Mr. Moore made a motion to accept the Executive Session Meeting minutes for January 24, 2018. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:31 p.m. on a motion
made by Mr. Bray, seconded by Mr. Moore, 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

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