

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING APRIL 15, 2019**

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, April 15, 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, and County Auditor Martha Lake. County Attorney Alan D. Wilson was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Major Gary Cook and conducted by President Paul Wyman.

President Wyman led the Pledge of Allegiance, and offered a word of prayer.

**IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION:**

**EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:**

The Commissioners congratulated the following county employees, and Mr. Bray read their Employee Service Awards into the record:

5 Years:	Aaron Tompkins Kenneth Peterson Bradley Shepherd Christie Branch
10 Years:	Ingrid Volikas Sarah Brichford
25 Years:	Steven Swinson

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The minutes of April 1, 2019, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Bray. President Wyman seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

**SHERIFF:**

The annual contract for the jail inmate tracking system was tabled to the May 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**MAINTENANCE:**

Building Superintendent Bill Stonestreet brought to the attention of the Board, the crumbling brick on the exterior of the Administrative Center Building. He would like to contract a company to do the repairs on four panels before the damage becomes a structural issue. Mr. Stonestreet stated that although he has reached out to several contractors, the only reply was from Kemna Restoration who has provided a quote to do the repairs in the sum of \$28,000.00. The company would require \$10,000.00 for the first panel and \$6,000.00 for each subsequent panel thereafter, for a total of \$28,000.00. Mr. Stonestreet stated that if approved by the Board, that he would use the Cum Cap Building Repair account line to do the repairs and could have a contract from Kemnar Restoration at the May commissioners meeting. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the repair of the Administrative Center Building in the sum of \$28,000.00 for the four panels as proposed. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

**COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS:**

Director of Community Corrections Dustin DeLong, submitted a Pharmacy Agreement between Genoa Healthcare, LLC and the Board of Commissioners of Howard County for the Medications for the Community Corrections Work Release Program. Mr. DeLong stated that the contract has been submitted and approved by County Attorney Alan Wilson. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the contract as submitted by and between Genoa Healthcare, LLC and the Board of Commissioners of Howard County and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. DeLong presented the Memorandum of Understanding between Howard County and Avertest, LLC d/b/a Averhealth which will provide for a reduction in the cost of drug screenings. According to Mr. DeLong, the department has utilized their services since 2015. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding / Agreement by and between Howard County and Avertest, LLC d/b/a Averhealth and to authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. DeLong requested permission to apply for five problem solving grants for \$10,000.00 each. He will be requesting an expansion of one of these in the approximate sum of \$60,000.00 specific to veteran's court. Mr. DeLong also stated that he would like to submit for a grant that is available this year for Pre-Trial Services in the approximate sum of \$60,000.00. He continued with the two grants he is in the process of completing to continue services in community corrections in the approximate sum of \$500,000.00 which have a grant period of July 1 to December 31<sup>st</sup>, and another for community corrections for approximately 2.3 million to begin in January of 2020. Mr. DeLong is requesting permission of the Board to submit the foregoing grants as mentioned. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the submission of the foregoing grants to the State. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS:**

#### **Paul Dorisse Appointed as Monroe Township Trustee:**

President Wyman stated that the 30 days has passed for a caucus to fill the vacant position of the Monroe Township Trustee. Paul Dorisse stated that after reviewing the requirements of the position, he would be willing to perform the duties of the Monroe Township Trustee to provide the service needed to the area. Mr. Wyman stated that Mr. Dorisse has worked for the Center Township Trustee's Office and he is confident that he will do a good job. Mr. Moore made a motion to appoint Paul Dorisse to the position of the Monroe Township Trustee. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

#### **CASA Contract Approval:**

CASA Director Katina Silver from the CASA program presented a contract for signature by the Board to retain Michelle Harris, a new CASA who will maintain eight open cases a month for the office. The contract for \$800.00 per month will provide for service to CASA to maintain eight open cases per month. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the agreement by and between the Howard County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the CASA Program and Michelle Harris and authorize the President to sign on behalf of the Board of Commissioners. 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:

**Salary CI** Auditor Lake presented a contract for Document Scanning Services for A/P Claims with SBS Group in the sum of \$60,015.80, to be paid from the Ineligible Homestead Fund. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the contract for scanning of claims by and between SBS Group and the Howard County Board of Commissioners in the sum of \$60,015.80 and authorize the president to sign on behalf of the Howard County Auditor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray, and the motion carried.

1. **Salary Claims:** The commissioners' Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims to be paid April 26, 2019, in the amount of \$872,181.99 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 April 15, 2019, in the amount of \$2,315,726.04 were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Bray. The motion was seconded by Mr. Moore, and the motion carried.
3. **Ratify of Claim:** A claim payable to Postmaster for the Clerk for postage in the sum of \$330.00 was submitted and ratified on a motion made by Mr. Bray. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
4. **Monthly Reports:** The following reports were received into record: Treasurer's Monthly Report for March, EMA's Monthly Report and Calendar, and the Jail Commissary Report.

5. **Grants:** Payment for the New London Grant was submitted in the sum of \$193,748.33. Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the payment for the New London Grant. Mr. Moore seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
6. **Scanning Contract:** Auditor Lake presented a contract for Document Scanning Services for A/P Claims with SBS Group in the sum of \$60,015.80, to be paid from the Ineligible Homestead Fund. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the contract for scanning of claims by and between SBS Group and the Howard County Board of Commissioners in the sum of \$60,015.80 and authorize the president to sign on behalf of the Howard County Auditor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray, and the motion carried.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSIONER ISSUES:**

**Mr. Moore** extended his heart-felt condolences and prayers to the Asher Family, Friends and the Sheriff's Department during this difficult time of loss.

**President Wyman** submitted the appraisal of the three EMA vehicles by Wiers International Trucks and requested signatures by the board in lieu of the appraisal for sale of the vehicles.

**President Wyman** stated that several broadband contractors are in the process of submitting grant proposals to the State of Indiana. President Wyman is willing to draft letters of support to those contractors willing to provide services to Howard County. Mr. Wyman informed the board that so far, he has provided a letter to Watch Communications.

**President Wyman** discussed the Thank You letters received for donations made as follows:

Indiana University Kokomo - \$75,000.00 – New Facilities

Ivy tech - \$100,000.00 – New Building Project

Greentown Main Street Association - \$2,500.00 - Way Finding Signs

Mr. Moore stated that in the past, the Board gave donations for the first Indiana First Robotic Competition

*There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners  
at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m. on a motion  
made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.*

**HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

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PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

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TYLER O. MOORE, VICE PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR  
Howard County Commissioner Meeting April 15, 2019