The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, July 1, 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 Attorney Alan Wilson, and County Auditor Martha Lake.

The meeting was called to order by Sheriff Jerry Asher and conducted by President Paul Wyman. Mr. Bray led the Pledge of Allegiance, and Vice President Moore offered a word of prayer.

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of June 17, 2019, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, 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:

SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT:

Sheriff Jerry Asher informed the Board of his request on the June 25th Council Meeting for a new sign at the Jail, which is no longer working. He has received a quote from Huston Signs in the amount of $25,995.00 which he will pay for from the Misdemeanant Grant Fund. The sign would arrive sometime in August. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the purchase of the sign for the Sheriff at the Jail in the sum of $25,995.00 from Houston Electric/Signs as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sheriff Asher asked to address the Board regarding two vehicles in the department that were involved in accidents and totaled. According to the Sheriff, the insurance has already reimbursed the county approximately $32,000.00 and $17,330.00 for the two vehicles. He would like the permission to go ahead and replace the vehicles in the department. President Wyman gave permission to replace the two vehicles as requested.

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Planning Director Greg Sheline presented the Board with the request to Plat two lots located at 10656 & 10402 W. 100 S. in the PMMK Subdivision, Case 4-CP-19. Mr. Sheline was unable to attend the Planning Commission Meeting. Mr. Moore stated that he was present, and the Board gave a favorable recommendation. There were no remonstrances. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve Case 4-CP-19 for approval for PMMK Subdivision as presented. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

E911 DISPATCH:

Director Gary Bates submitted quotes for the new P25 Radio System and Maintenance, a 4.9 GHZ Backhaul Service, and Zetron Dispatch Console/CSI Contract from J&K Communication, Inc. Mr. Bates presented quotes for the 2020 budget and sent the quotes to Attorney Wilson prior to the meeting. They are as follows:

Quote #40809
Yearly Backbone Maint. On Atlas P25 System
Five year contract: $1,232,575.00

Quote #40462
4.9 GHZ Backhaul Service Contract:
Annual Contract: $15,274.00

Quote #40463
Zetron Dispatch Console/CSI Contract/Six Positions:
Annual Contract: $25,100.00

Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the quotes as presented for Quote #40809 in the sum of $1,232,575.00; Quote #40462 in the sum of $15,274.80 and Quote #40463 in the sum of $25,100.00. Mr. Moore amended his motion to include and authorize President Wyman to sign the quotes on behalf of the Board.
Mr. Bray seconded the motion.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS AND REPORTS:

1. **Salary Claims:** The commissioners’ Salary, Hourly, and Overtime Claims to be paid July 5, 2019, in the amount of $838,903.89 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 July 1, 2019, in the amount of $1,066,793.56 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. **Grants:** Auditor Lake presented the New London/Russiaville Wastewater Project Grant #WW-17-104 to the Board of Commissioners for payment. The completion date will be July 15, 2019. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the New London/Russiaville Wastewater Project claim in the sum of $15,922.26 and $71,438.83 to Davidson Excavating and authorize President Wyman to sign on behalf of the Board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF ATTORNEY ISSUES:

County Attorney Alan Wilson submitted a quote for a geotechnical report and topographic survey of the potential morgue site on East Taylor Street, Kokomo, in the sum of $8,000.00. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the quote as submitted. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mr. Wilson presented a proposal for the Howard County Multi-hazard Litigation Plan Update with Christopher Burke Engineering, LLC. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Howard County Multi-hazard Litigation Plan with Christopher C. Burke Engineering, LLC as presented and authorize President Wyman to sign on behalf of the Board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Attorney Wilson presented a contract between the County and Global Tel*Link Corporation which will provide jail inmates with an opportunity to check out tablets with their commissary funds. These tablets can be utilized for educational purposes, telephone calls, approved music and other approved services. This contract is at no cost to the county overall. The county will realize a commission on telephone calls as well as approximately $56,000.00 annually from a Technology Fund payment. Sheriff Asher stated that the INDOC as well as many other counties utilize this means of education which has enriched their programs. There will be approximately 100 tablets available to inmates. Mr. Moore made a motion to approve the Global Tel*Link Corporation Master Service Agreement by and between Howard County as presented and authorize President Wyman to sign on behalf of the Board. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSIONER ISSUES:

Mr. Bray and Mr. Moore wished everyone a happy and safe 4th of July.

_There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Moore, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried._

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

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P A U L  G. W Y M A N, PRESIDENT

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ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR
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ROBERT B. BRAY, MEMBER