

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING JUNE 15, 2020

The Howard County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Monday, June 15, 2020, at 4:00 p.m. in Hearing Room 338 of the Howard County Administration Center. Those in attendance included President Paul Wyman, Vice-President Brad Bray, Member Jack Dodd, 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. Commissioner Bray led in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Commissioner Wyman offered a word of prayer.

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IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:

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

Employee	Years of Service
Pamela Isaac	5
Melissa Garber	5
Pamela Freeman	5
Lloyd Deem	5
Gloria St. Clair	5
Brenda Huemmer	5
Chad Boruff	5
Aimee Day	5
Kysha McClish	10
Alan Wilson	10
Michael Tedlock	10
Neal Hoover	10
Jordan Buckley	15
Michelle Wright	15
Yen Dang	15

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes of June 1, 2020, regular meeting having been previously submitted and reviewed, were approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Dodd. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

HIGHWAY:

Truck Purchase:

Highway Superintendent Ted Cain presented the quote(s) for the 2021 single axle truck cabin chassis to replace the truck that was totaled last winter. Mr. Cain would like the approval to proceed with the purchase from Wier International. The quote(s) were as follows:

Wier International	\$77,766.00
Hill International	\$78,766.00
Selking International	\$80,192.02

Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2021 single axle truck cabin chassis from Weir International in the sum of \$77,776.00, as presented. Mr. Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Construction Inspection Agreements:

Mr. Cain addressed the LPA construction observation contract with Beam, Longest & Neff for the reconstruction of McCann Street Bridge No. 503, Designation No. 1401817, not to exceed \$243,600.00. Mr. Cain Stated that the contracts are state contracts and 80% of the total is federal funds. Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the contract with Beam, Longest & Neff for the reconstruction of McCann Street Bridge, not to exceed \$243,600.00, as presented. Mr. Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY CORRECTONS/PROBATION:

Dustin DeLong addressed the Board seeking the permission to apply for an Indiana Department of Corrections Grant with the State of Indiana. Mr. Dodd made a motion to approve the submission of the Indiana Dept. of Corrections Grant by Mr. DeLong. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COMMUNITY HOWARD BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ANNUAL REPORT:

Dr. Matthew Oliver, Executive Director of Community Health Services, addressed the Board with an update on the current services being provided during the Covid-19 pandemic and the behavioral health services. The facility continues to provide service through Covid-19 and service contacts are currently at 75%. Individuals are being allowed back in the facility at 40% capacity in order to provide in-facility care for patients. Drug screens and vital sign monitoring has continued in person and those at high-risk who require injections, are being cared for in their home by staff utilizing PPE. Group sessions have been done virtually; however, will be held in the facility as needed beginning July 1, 2020. Dr. Oliver addressed the two primary concerns; technology and clinical care. Dr. Oliver expressed that the facility works more effectively when they can see patients in clinic and deliver care to maintain and establish supportive relationships.

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 for payment on June 19, 2020, in the amount of \$813,900.11, were submitted and approved on a motion made by Mr. Dodd. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.
2. **Operating Claims:** The Commissioners' Operating Claims paid June 15, 2020, in the amount of \$2,426,857.98, were submitted and approved as presented on a motion made by Mr. Dodd. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bray, and the motion carried.
3. **Monthly Reports:** The following reports were received into the record: Clerk's office for the month ending May 29, 2020 and Treasurer's office for month ending April 30, 2020.
4. **Grants:** The Corona Virus Relief Fund Acceptance Certificate was presented to the Board for approval and signature. Mr. Bray made a motion to approve the Corona Virus Relief Fund Acceptance Certificate and authorize President Wyman to sign on behalf of the board. Mr. Dodd seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

COUNTY ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

County Attorney Alan Wilson presented the application for a Coverdell Grant for funds for the Coroner's Office. Mr. Dodd made a motion to approve the grant application for \$250,000. Mr. Bray seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Howard County resident Rhonda Wagner, located at 3383 N. 650 W., Kokomo, Indiana, addressed the Board with questions regarding aerial photographs and the Board of Zoning meeting minutes. Mr. Wyman directed her to the

Assessor's Office regarding aerial photographs. Mr. Sheline, City-County Plan Commission Director, addressed the question of the Board of Zoning meeting minutes availability, stating that Ms. Wagner needed to request the date of the meeting she would like minutes for, and they would be provided. As well, the current meeting minutes will be uploaded to the county website for availability once the Board of Zoning Appeals has their next regular meeting, and approved minutes will be uploaded continuing forward. Mr. Sheline expressed that his office is open and he would be available to Ms. Wagner to provide documents as needed.

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. Dodd, seconded by Mr. Bray, and carried.

HOWARD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

PAUL G. WYMAN, PRESIDENT

ROBERT B. BRAY, VICE PRESIDENT

JACK W. DODD, MEMBER

ATTEST:

MARTHA J. LAKE, AUDITOR
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