

**DEKALB COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**  
September 30, 2019

Commissioners Present:           President Donald D Grogg  
  Vice President Jacqueline Rowan  
  Vice President William Hartman

Others Present:                   Acting Auditor Susan Sleeper  
  Attorney James P McCanna (absent)

**MATTER OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS**

Kellie met with TIGS and will be receiving a proposal on the services they provide, with the possibility of being able to save some money for Community Corrections on the meal plans for the facility.

Tony Vie is having Kellie review the furniture quote documents so that can move forward.

Steve Fetters reported there is a Knox box required by the City of Garrett, but they can't get the box or the location of where the box needs to be placed. Tim Baker has spoken with the Garrett Fire Department and in order to get the Knox box, one has to be an authorized representative to get one and it was discovered the current list had not been updated for a while and Garrett Fire Department has submitted new paperwork to update names. Discussion took place.

**MATTER OF INTAKE DESK CHANGE ORDER**

Tony Vie was in with a diagram of the Intake Desk Options that needs to have a decision made on today. The diagram had 3 pictograms to detail the change that Kellie is requesting. Kellie would like raise the desk and add Plexiglas to prevent anything on the desk easily being knocked off. Estimated cost for Plexiglas only is \$1,550.00, estimated cost to raise the desk is \$2,150.00, and estimated cost to do both is \$3,700.00. Discussion took place on whether to get standing desk raisers vs. changing the desk components now. Tim Baker stated if he had to support and choose one or the other, he would support the raising of the desk. William Hartman believes the price for the block is very outrageous for 23 blocks.

**Jacqueline Rowan made a motion to accept the Plexiglas change to be added to the intake desk. William Hartman seconded and all approved.**

All three Commissioners are not in approval of adding the block to raise the desk.

**MATTER OF STATE CHEMICAL SUPPLY AGREEMENT**

Jacqueline Rowan made a motion to approve and for the president to sign the State Chemical Supply Agreement. William Hartman seconded and all approved.

### **MATTER OF HIGHWAY**

Ben reported that CR 3 is closed due to the wear and tear but there are still people going around barricades to travel on it. Ben contacted INDOT to find out how to proceed and their response was “they are working on it”. Ben will follow up with INDOT for their decision on the alternate route.

On County Road 60, on Sept 16<sup>th</sup> a Speedway Ready Mix truck went off and took out a pole. Ben has contacted the appropriate insurance companies so that everyone is aware. This damage was done on the new part of the road, and Ben is requesting that the repair be done correctly vs. a cheap fix.

### **MATTER OF COVERED BRIDGE GRANT APPLICATION PROCESS**

John Bry was in to give an update on where he is with the Covered Bridge Grant. John would like to see some more letters of support to be able to include in the Grant application.

William Hartman made a motion for the president to sign the Statement of Understanding For Historic Preservation Fund Sub grants. Jacqueline Rowan seconded and all approved.

### **MATTER OF MINUTES**

William Hartman made a motion to approve minutes as written dated September 23, 2019. Jacqueline Rowan seconded and all approved.

### **MATTER OF TRAVEL REQUESTS**

Jacqueline Rowan made a motion to approve travel request for the following:

- 1) Quentin Young to travel to Indianapolis on October 4<sup>th</sup> to attend Pretrial Summit. Estimated cost of \$192.00 to be paid for by department travel.
- 2) Sandi Wilcox and Joni Humbarger to travel to Wabash & Huntington Counties on October 7<sup>th</sup> to attend Best Practices Review. Estimated cost of \$101.68 to be paid for by Elected Officials Training Fund.
- 3) Bonnie Emerson to travel to Hendricks County on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> to attend Residential Audit Training. Estimated cost of \$278.00 to be paid for by department travel.
- 4) Kellie Knauer to travel to Hendricks County on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup> to attend Residential Audit Training. Estimated cost of \$278.00 to be paid for by department travel.
- 5) Tim Baker to travel to Hendricks County on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> to attend Residential Audit Training. Estimated cost of \$278.00 to be paid for by department travel.
- 6) Jonnie LaRowe, Bailey Gasper, Mark Pomeroy, Michael Lapham, Kelly Mattes & Kelli Heath to attend Domestic Violence Task Force Conference in Auburn. Estimated cost for registration only of \$180.00 to be paid for by department travel.
- 7) Dotty Miller to travel to Fort Wayne on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> to attend Harassment Claims Seminar. Estimated cost of \$23.62 to be paid for by Commissioners travel.
- 8) Holly Albright, Kelli Lockwood, Rhonda Vian & Julie Sproat to travel to Plainfield on Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> to attend Odyssey R17 Training. Estimated cost of \$123.88 to be paid for by Commissioners travel.
- 9) Holly Albright, Nancy Westrick, Heidi Snyder, Tami Moore & Renee Harpster to travel to Plainfield on Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> to attend Odyssey R17 Training. Estimated cost of \$123.88 to be paid for by Commissioners travel.

10) Holly Albright, Liz Blotkamp, Dana Hedrick, Amy Lumpkins & Jodi Wiendenhoeft to travel to Noblesville on Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> to attend Odyssey R17 Training. Estimated cost of \$95.00 to be paid for by Commissioners travel.  
Seconded by William Hartman and all approved.

**MATTER OF ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION SERVICES**

Sean Griggs from Barnes & Thornburg sent a request for the Commissioners terminate ERS and retain Wilcox Environmental and Engineering, Inc. Sean explained that since the IDEM approved Corrective Action Plan Implementation Approval on January 2, 2019 there were several action items that must be met on a specific schedule. Sean has been trying to get a response from Steve Johnson, ERS-Branch Manager since at least early July but has been unsuccessful. Given the lack of communication, it is necessary to replace ERS so this project can be timely completed. After considering the alternatives, Sean is recommending that Wilcox Environmental and Engineering be retained to replace ERS. Sean provided a rate table, standard terms & conditions, informational brochure, and curriculum for key personnel who may be involved in the project.

William Hartman made a motion to terminate ERS, and retain Wilcox Environmental and Engineering, Inc to ensure the project is completed on IDEMS terms. Seconded Jacqueline Rowan and all approved.

**MATTER OF JAIL SYSTEMS UPGRADE PAY APP #6**

Jacqueline Rowan made a motion for the president to sign the payment request form to authorize Huntington Bank send payment to Security Automation Systems, INC for pay app #6 in the amount of \$15,806.00. Seconded by William Hartman and all approved.

**MATTER OF OTHER DISCUSSION**

Other discussion included the following topics: employee Halloween event, emergency closures, compensation time, personal vehicles for health department travel, public restrooms, light posts, Airport Authority Appointee, card entry, trails and weeds at the County Cemetery and Sunny Meadows.

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Donald D. Grogg - President

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Jacqueline R. Rowan – Vice President

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William L. Hartman – Vice President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jan Bauman, Auditor  
Susan Sleeper, Acting Auditor