

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

January 16, 2018

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 1:00 pm in the Commissioners' Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioners in attendance were Chairman George Schrumpf, Vice Chairman Don Amber and Commissioner Thomas Western. Others in attendance were County Attorney Matt Shipman, Chief Deputy Auditor Tamela Hamilton, Community Corrections Director Paula Worden, Planning Director Nathan Bilger, Treasurer Laurell Schroeder, Sheriff Gatton, Dispatch Communication Chief Janelle Schmitt from the Sheriff's Department, Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester, Deputy Director of Community Corrections Julie Jensen-Kelley and Jay Lockett from the Post & Mail, Joan Null and Barbara Hohenstein.

Chairman Schrumpf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2018/2019 COMMUNITY CORRECTION GRANT APPLICATION:

Director of Community Corrections Paula Worden and Deputy Director of Community Corrections Julie Jensen-Kelley presented their 2018/2019 Whitley County Adult Community Based Supervision Grant to the Commissioners. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the grant request, seconded by Commissioner Western and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING DATES:

Director of Community Corrections Paula Worden presented her request for approval of the advisory board meeting dates and the updated list of advisory board members. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the advisory meeting dates and the updated list of advisory board members, seconded by Commissioner Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE RADIO UPGRADE: Sheriff Gatton presented his request for the radio upgrade previously discussed to come out of CEDIT Funds in the amount of \$27,890.69. Commissioner Western motioned to approve funds for the radio upgrade, seconded by Commissioner Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION AND BZA MEMBERS: Planning Director Nathan Bilger presented a recommendation to reappoint Elizabeth Deckard to the County Plan Commission and BZA, with both terms expiring January 1, 2022. Bilger presented another recommendation to reappoint Brad Wolfe to the County Plan Commission and as an alternate to the BZA, with a term expiring January 1, 2022. Bilger informed the Commissioners that Kenny Kerch would be leaving the Plan Commission and he is taking recommendations to fill the seat. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve reappointing Elizabeth Deckard to the County Plan Commission and BZA and Brad Wolfe to the County Plan Commission, seconded by Commissioner Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEMBERS: Bilger presented that it was found that the members of the Redevelopment Commission had not been reappointed for several years. He stated that by state statute, three members are appointed by the Commissioners and two by the Council, and that Redevelopment Commission members serve one year terms until a successor is appointed. So, in the interest of reaffirming the membership of the Redevelopment Commission, he recommended that the Commissioners consider reappointing three members. Commissioner Western motioned to approve the reappointing of three members, seconded by Commissioner Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN THE MATTER OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND 2018 ANNUAL BIDS: Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester gave his recommendations for the annual highway bids and quotes for 2018. Forrester reviewed all of the bids for the County. Please see the attachment to the minutes to view the bids awarded. After discussion, Commissioner Amber motioned to approve the recommended quotes and bids for the highway department, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 3/0 vote.

IN A MATTER OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The minutes from the January 2, 2018 regular meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the minutes, Commissioner Amber seconded the motion and passed with a 3/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed the payroll claims. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote. The claim distributions

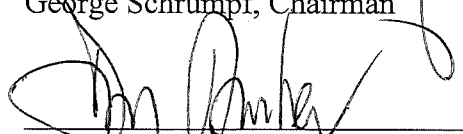
from January 5, 2018 through January 16, 2018 were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote.

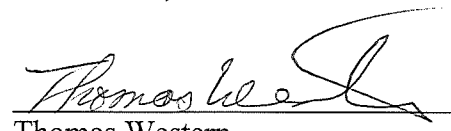
IN THE MATTER OF OTHER BUSINESS: Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester gave his recommendations for the annual highway bids and quotes for 2018. Forrester reviewed all of the bids for the County. Please see the attachment to the minutes to view the bids awarded. Each bid was motioned to approve, seconded and passed with a 3/0 vote.

There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Schrumpf adjourned the meeting at 2:25 pm.

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George Schrumpf, Chairman


Don Amber, Vice Chairman


Thomas Western

Attest: 
Tamela Hamilton, Chief Deputy Auditor