

## WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 16, 2019

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, September 16, 2019 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 Tom Western and Commissioner Don Amber. Others in attendance were Attorney Matt Shipman, Chief Deputy Auditor Tiffany Forrester, Commissioner's Assistant Jennifer Shinabery, Theresa Green, Kyle Peppler, Stanley Crum, Planning Director Nathan Bilger, Sonya Emerick, Bill Etzler from ERI, County Treasurer Laurell Schroeder and Denita Patrick.

Chairman Schrumpf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY:** Attorney Matt Shipman stated that he reviewed the resolution to establish add properties to the TIF area. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-12, seconded by Amber with discussion. Commissioner Amber wanted to verify that all the property owners that are being added to the TIF area were notified. Planning Director Nathan Bilger stated they have all been notified and are aware of the change. After discussion, motion passed with a 3/0 vote.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ADA TRANSITION PLAN PROPOSAL:** Bill Etzler from Engineering Resources, Inc. presented an ADA Transition Plan and a Title IV-D Update. This plan is for the County to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Vocation Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The plan identifies the necessary steps to achieve compliance, provide cost estimates for improvements, include a suggested schedule for implementation, and establish parameters necessary to monitor future projects for compliance. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the proposal from Engineering Resources, Inc. and for the project not to exceed \$24,930, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETERSON CONSULTING ENGAGEMENT LETTER:** Auditor Schinbeckler presented the Peterson Consulting Engagement letter to the Commissioners for approval. Attorney Shipman stated that he reviewed the document and approves of it. The consulting engagement letter allows them to assist the Auditor's Office with reporting assets to the State. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the engagement letter, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY PERMITS:** Four right-of-way permits were presented to the Commissioners for approval. The first was from Precision Utilities Group to bore in the right-of-way on 700 E to repair weather damaged material at the owner's request. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Amber and carried with a 3/0 vote. The second request was also from Precision Utilities Group to bore in the right-of-way due to the owner requesting service at 5695 N Airport Rd. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote. The third request was from Tri-Star Businesses Inc. to place new sewer mains and to facilitate existing and future housing along Virginia Trail. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote. The last request was from BSM Groups for Indiana Fiber Network to install ducts by directional boring in the right-of-way to provide service to a customer on 600 East. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Western and passed with a 3/0 vote.

**IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES AND CLAIMS:** After reviewing the payroll claims, Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote. The claim distributions from September 3, 2019 through September 16, 2019 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. The minutes from the September 3, 2019 meeting were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Western made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes, seconded by Amber and passed with a 3/0 vote.

**IN THE MATTER OF OTHER BUSINESS:** Commissioner Schrumpf stated that the Commissioners have a contract for Brandon Forrester for 2020 and Attorney Shipman has reviewed and approved the contract. Commissioner Amber made a motion to approve the contract for Brandon Forrester for 2020, seconded by Western and carried with a 3/0 vote.

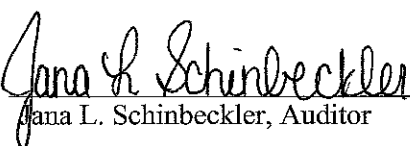
There being no further business and no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Schrumpf adjourned the meeting at 1:30 PM.

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George Schrumpf, Chairman

  
Thomas Western, Vice Chairman

  
Don Amber, Commissioner

Attest:   
Jana L. Schinbeckler, Auditor