

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

September 20, 2021

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, September 20, 2021, at 1:00 PM in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioners in attendance were Chair George Schrumpf and Commissioner Chad Banks. Absent was Vice Chair Commissioner Green. Others in attendance were Coordinator/Human Resources Director Jennifer Shinabery, Commissioner's Assistant Cami Hippenhammer, Auditor Jana Schinbeckler, Chief Deputy Auditor Tiffany Deakins, Recorder Rosemary Brown, Treasurer Kay Gatton, Clerk Cindy Doolittle, Planning Director Nathan Bilger, Chief Building Inspector Craig Wagner, Brent Bockelman from the Planning Department, Council member Timothy Kumfer, Mary Hartman from the Peabody Public Library, Rob Schuman, Sonya Emerick, Chris Sosebee from Weigand Construction, Bill Etzler from Abonmarche and Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester.

Chair Schrumpf opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNTY ATTORNEY REPORT: Attorney Shipman stated there is a few items that are on the agenda that he has reviewed and will discuss when we get to that item on the agenda.

WHITLEY COUNTY SOLID WASTE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT: The Interlocal Agreement with Solid Waste is an understanding between Solid Waste, the Auditor, the Treasurer, County Council and the Commissioners. The Commissioners need to vote, then the Elected Officials will need to sign and then lastly it will need to be signed off on by the Solid Waste Board. The only item that was changed was that the fee for the recycling payments being paid late has been reduced to 10% of the \$53 fee itself. The fee will be changing from \$25 to \$5.30. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-09 with a second by Schrumpf passing with a 2/0 vote. Banks made a blanket motion to moving forward make any motion that only requires one signature default to allow the Chair to sign. Second by Schrumpf passing with a 2/0 vote. Banks made a motion to approve the Inter Local Agreement. With a second by Schrumpf passing with a 2/0 vote.

GIFT VII MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING: Attorney Shipman stated that this memorandum of understanding is in regard to the Community Foundation and the \$2.6 million that it was awarded in grant funds. This is a collaborative effort between the Whitko Career Academy, Mission 25 and Community Corrections. Memorandums of Understanding are non-binding its just better to have everything in writing. Commissioner Banks made a motion to accept, with a second by Schrumpf passing with a 2/0 vote.

PLAT APPROVAL: Planning Director Nathan Bilger presented the South Form Amended plat to the Commissioners for approval. The Plan Commission has already approved the plat. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve with a second from Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote.

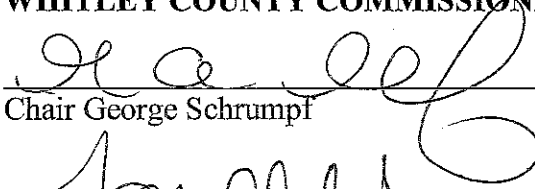
PLANNING & BUILDING VEHICLE PURCHASE: Planning Director Nathan Bilger and Craig Wagner from the Planning and Building department were present to ask for a vehicle purchase for the department. Craig Wagner has found a 2022 Ford Maverick for \$21,240.85 that can be purchased and get in line for production. A locking cover will also be needed. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve \$22,000 out of Cum Capital Development for the vehicle purchase. Second by Schrumpf passing with a 2/0 vote.

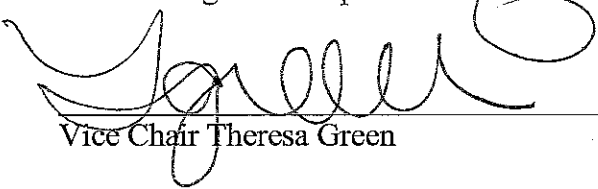
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UPDATE: Highway Engineer Brandon Forrester was present to give a Highway Department update. Brandon presented a 4 year contract in the amount of \$143,000 for LPA consulting for bridge inspections. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the contract with a second by Schrumpf, carrying with a 2/0 vote.

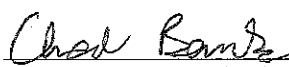
MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The claim distributions from September 8, 2021, through September 20, 2021, were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the accounts payable claims, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Schrumpf and carried with a 2/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed the September 7, 2021, regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Schrumpf and passed with a 2/0 vote.

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

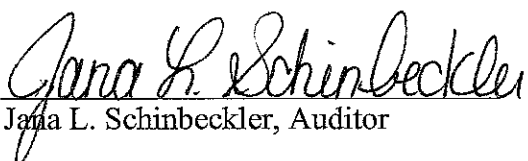
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Chair George Schrumpf


Vice Chair Theresa Green


Commissioner Chad Banks

Attest:


Jana L. Schinbeckler, Auditor