Minutes for Knox County Indiana County Commissioners

Call to Order

A meeting of The Knox County Commissioners was held on May 19th, 2020 in the Commissioners room of the Knox County Courthouse. It began at 6:00 pm and was presided over by President Kellie Streeter.

Attendees

Voting members in attendance included Trent Hinkle, President Kellie Streeter and Tim Ellerman.

Also present was Commissioner Attorney Drew Porter.

Organizational Issues:

Motion: Moved by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve the agenda. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Kellie Streeter to approve the following 4 agreements: LPA Consulting contract with RQAW Corporation Land acquisition for Elkhorn road Reconstruction from US 41 to CSX Railroad, RQAW Amendment #1, LPA Consulting Contract with United Consulting for Right of Way Services for the Replacement of Knox County Bridge no 382 Old US 41 over CSX Railroad, Updated signatures for the 2020 CCMG award at the request of INDOT. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2020 meeting with the following clarification: 2020 CCMG resurfacing project to read Hickory Corner between US 50 and 61. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Tim Ellerman to seek an additional appropriation from Knox County Council in the amount of \$250,000 to repair the roof on the property known as the Poor Farm. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Tim Ellerman and seconded by Trent Hinkle to approve the Van GO INDOT Budget Application packet. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Tim Ellerman to approve the claims docket. Motion passes 3-0

Motion: Moved by Tim Ellerman and seconded by Trent Hinkle to approve payroll. Motion passes 3-0

Resolutions

Motion: Resolution 2020-10 May 6, 2020 updated Knox County, Indiana Comprehensive COVID-19 Response & Extension of County Emergency Declaration. Motion to approve by Trent Hinkle and seconded by Tim Ellerman. Motion passes 3-0

Ordinances

Ordinance 2020-1: Establishing COVID-19 Precautions & Smoke Free Environment for Primary Elections. Motion to approve by Kellie Streeter and seconded by Trent Hinkle with the addition of language for employee smoking areas. Motion passes 3-0

Other Reports

Andy Barmes spoke with the board about funding for a new roof on the county's "Poor Farm" property which is in the process of being deeded over to the non-profit organization Knox County Poor Farm Hospice House.

Knox County Clerk David Shelton updated the board on changes in polling locations. David Shelton will continue to update the public on changes in polling locations through local media, and social media outlets.

The Board of Commissioners discussed pending Solar Land Use Ordinances and discussed using specialized legal counsel from Barnes & Thornburg to help with the creation of these ordinances.

The Board of Commissioners discussed COVID-19 reimbursement possibilities from the CARES Act Relief Fund and FEMA. Both programs have specific requirements for reimbursement.

President Streeter informed the board that SIDC will meet with the Commissioners next week to finalize the applications for the OCRA grants. She also informed the board that the courthouse had a leak in the basement caused by a clogged gutter, which has since been cleaned.

Trent Hinkle congratulated the new CASA volunteers who were recently sworn in.

Tim Ellerman urged the public to be careful on county roads due because heavy rains were causing ditches to overflow.

There will be a public hearing on the OCRA grants received by Knox County on June 3rd at 9:30 am. This meeting will be strictly informational.

The next meeting of the Knox County Commissioners will be held June 3rd, 2020 at 10:00 am.

Adjournment

Trent Hinkle moved, Tim Ellerman seconded and the meeting was adjourned 8:10 pm.

Secretary Micheal P Morris

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Knox County Auditor

President Kellie Streeter

Knox County Commissioner

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