

REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HUNTINGTON COUNTY, INDIANA, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023

IN ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Rob Miller; Commissioner Tom Wall; Commissioner Terry Stoffel; Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager; Stefanie Barrioz, HR Director; Bob Garrett, County Attorney; Sarah Brunner, DCD; Kim Hostetler, DCD Director; Christine Stoffel; Jim Curliss; Jennifer Woods; Kristine Thurston, DLZ; Dr. Matt Pflieger; Sheriff Chris Newton; Jill Landrum, Auditor; Tim Eckert, Veteran Services Officer; Steve Kimmel, Chamber of Commerce; Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent; Mike Grant, Markle Town Manager; Beth Johnson, USI; Erin Wiley, Drug Court Coordinator;

The following people attended virtually through Zoom: No one attended via Zoom.

Commissioner Rob Miller called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES)

2/6/2023

Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Minutes from the February 6, 2023. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS)

2/22/2023

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Claim docket for February 22, 2023. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL)

2/10/2023

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Payroll docket for February 10, 2023. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC HEARING)

5530 N. Goshen Road

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:31 a.m.

The following people were present during the hearing: Commissioner Terry Stoffel; Commissioner Tom Wall; Commissioner Rob Miller; Sarah Bruner, Land Use Division/Office Coordinator; Kim Hostetler, DCD Director; Bob Garrett, County Attorney; Stefanie HR Director; Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager; Christine Stoffel; James Curliss; Bridgett Burkhardt, Office Manager

Property owner Christine Stoffel spoke with the Commissioners regarding the plan for this property. She stated that they will demolish the house and potentially the small garage next to it. They intend to put a new roof on the back garage and move some items into it once it is weather tight. Ms. Stoffel stated that they have cleared the debris around the property. She brought pictures showing the progress that they have made. She is requesting 90 days to complete the demolition and other repairs to the structures on the property.

No additional public comment was made.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:35 a.m.

Tom Wall made a motion to allow Ms. Stoffel 90 days to demolish the house and garage. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Huntington County Jail Expansion/Renovation Update

Kristine Thurston, DLZ Construction Observation Manager, presented Change Order #37 – a credit for asphalt/hardscape repairs and reduced landscape work in the amount of \$40,589.92. Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve Change Order #37. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

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Kristine also presented a Certificate of Substantial Completion to the Commissioners. The Commissioners stated that they would like to see the tower infill repair prior to signing off on this certificate. They will stop over and look at it after the meeting. If all is well, they will sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion.

IN THE MATTER OF INVOICES)

Cumulative Courthouse Funds

Terry Stoffel made a motion to pay Rangeline Electric (Invoice #1133) in the amount of \$5,136.78 from Cumulative Courthouse funds. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF PERMIT)

82 E. Riverside Drive

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Application for Permit for Duke Energy in the location of 82 E. Riverside Drive in Huntington, Indiana. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF PERMIT)

Etna Road at 300 West

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Application for Permit for Comcast Cable in the location of North Etna Road at 300 West in Huntington County, Indiana. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Animal Control Ordinances

The Commissioners discussed the need to review the animal control ordinances in the counties surrounding Huntington County.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Victory Noll

The Commissioners discussed facilitating the move of the Stations of the Cross from the Victory Noll campus to St. Felix.

The Commissioners also discussed 'The Villas' located on the Victory Noll campus. This building is owned by St. Anne Communities. They discussed the improvements that would be needed for the building. Tom Wall made a motion to give Rob Miller permission to begin negotiations with St. Anne's for the potential purchase of the building. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Letter of Recommendation

Michelle Bunker, Director – Employer Group Benefits with IMG, requested a letter of recommendation from the Commissioners. The Commissioners agreed by consensus to send the letter stating that IMG has been a great asset to Huntington County.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Public Health Commission Plan

Jennifer Woods spoke with the Commissioners regarding the Public Health Commission's Plan. She explained that she felt that the plan was too complex and limited local control. Dr. Matt Pflieger, Public Health Officer also joined the conversation to share his point of view.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Credit Card Authorization

Dr. Matt Pflieger requested a county credit card be assigned to Brian Trueblood, Public Health Administrator. Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the request. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Renovation of the Health Department

Dr. Pflieger spoke with the Commissioners regarding a renovation of the Health Department office. He has spoken with contractors who shared some design ideas that would allow for more privacy for patients, etc. He said that the renovation would be paid for through Health Department funds. Tom Wall made a motion to proceed with the design and building phase of the project. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT)

Huntington County Tourism Board

Tom Wall made a motion to re-appoint Kyle Jones to the Huntington County Tourism Board. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT)

Huntington County Tourism Board

Tom Wall made a motion to re-appoint Terry Lee Miller II to the Huntington County Tourism Board. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT)

Huntington County Tourism Board

Tom Wall made a motion to appoint Barb Fetters to the Huntington County Tourism Board. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Opioid Settlement Funds

Tom Wall made a motion to send the county's portion of the Opioid Settlement funds (both Restricted and Non-Restricted) to the Huntington County Community Foundation as set forth in the Advised Pass-Through Agreement with the Opioid Coalition. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Huntington Heritage Days & Music in the City

Steve Kimmel, Executive Director of the Huntington Chamber of Commerce spoke with the Commissioners asking permission for the staff of the carnival rides to utilize the parking lot of the annex for their trailers, etc. He was also seeking permission to use the stage area on the North side of the courthouse for Music in the City. Tom Wall made a motion approving both requests. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Tom Wall voting yea, Terry Stoffel voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Veteran of the Quarter

The Commissioners, along with Tim Eckert - Veteran Services Officer, recognized and honored Rick Stell as the Veteran of the Quarter. Mr. Stell joined the Indiana Army National Guard on August 14, 1982 and served until April 30, 2005 when he retired with 24 years, 11 months, and 17 days of service.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Veteran Services Update

Tim Eckert, Veteran Services Officer, provided a monthly update on his program. His update included the outreach he is doing at the VFW and American Legion Posts. He also read the names of the Huntington County Veterans who have recently passed. Mr. Eckert stated that the opening of the VA CBOC (Community Based Outpatient Clinic) is on hold at the present time. They are in the process of hiring a physician.

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IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Town of Markle CEDIT request

Mike Grant, Markle Town Manager, made a request in the amount of \$30,000.00 from CEDIT funds to assist the Town of Markle with marketing. The Commissioners asked Mr. Grant to come back to them with a marketing plan and they will consider this request.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Grant Application Approval Requests

Erin Wiley, Drug Court Coordinator, presented a Request for Grant Application for the CY2024 Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant. This is a State grant with a starting date of January 1, 2024 and ending on December 31, 2024. There is no County Match required. Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve this grant application. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

Ms. Wiley also presented a Request for Grant Application for the 2023 Problem-Solving Court Grant in the amount of \$7,600.00. This is a State grant with a starting date of April 1, 2023 and ending on December 31, 2023. There is no County Match required. Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve this grant application. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

IN THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION)

Credit Card Limit Increase

Erin Wiley, Drug Court Coordinator, asked the Commissioners for a temporary increase to their credit card limit to \$10,000.00 due to a conference that they will be attending. Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the temporary credit limit increase to \$10,000.00. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 3-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea, Tom Wall voting yea, and Rob Miller voting yea.

Commissioner Miller left the meeting at 10:54 a.m.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

O'Donnell Center Update

Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager, provided a summary of the roadway and drainage improvements at the O'Donnell Center at Victory Noll. Both projects are now complete. Phil presented a Change Order for closing out these two projects. Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Change Order. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Tom Wall voting yea and Terry Stoffel voting yea.

Phil also shared that there are some issues with the striping that was done in the parking lot. This will be addressed in the Spring.

IN THE MATTER OF INVOICE)

Hedrick Associates

Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager, requested an Early Pay for an invoice payable to Hedrick Associates in the amount of \$31,500.00 for the uninterruptible power supply (UPS) for the 911 Dispatch Center located at the O'Donnell Center. Tom Wall made a motion to approve the Early Pay. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Tom Wall voting yea and Terry Stoffel voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT)

Interlocal Cooperation Agreement

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for the Exchange of Services between the City of Huntington and Huntington County in regard to the managing of website content and/or Social Media content. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea and Tom Wall voting yea.

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IN THE MATTER OF BIDS)

2023 Fuel Bids

The Commissioners received and opened sealed bids for the 2023 Annual Fuel Contracts. The following people were in attendance for the Bid Opening: Commissioner Tom Wall; Commissioner Terry Stoffel; Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent; Phil Hibbert, Facilities Manager; Stefanie Barrioz, HR Director; Bob Garrett, County Attorney; Randy Knach, GLC; Stephen Reuille, Petroleum Traders; Scott Hilliard, Ceres Solutions; Brent Morris, Ceres Solutions; Nate Jenkins, Asphalt Materials; David Tribolet, K-Tech Specialty Coatings; Trout Moser, National Oil and Gas

National Oil

Unleaded:	\$2.2450 without taxes
Diesel:	\$2.8292 without taxes
Winter blend:	\$2.8545 without taxes

Petroleum Traders

Unleaded:	\$2.8404 (with taxes)
Diesel:	\$3.5709 (with taxes)
Winter blend:	\$3.6509 (with taxes)

Ceres Solutions

Unleaded:	\$2.4050 (without taxes)
Diesel:	\$2.8405 (without taxes)
Winter blend:	\$2.9155 (without taxes)

Highway Superintendent Troy Hostetler reported that all of the bids were good and acceptable bids.

Terry Stoffel made a motion to award the bids for Unleaded, Diesel, and Winter Blend to Ceres Solutions. Terry Stoffel seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Tom Wall voting yea and Terry Stoffel voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF BIDS)

2023 Annual Highway Bids

The Commissioners received and opened sealed bids for the 2023 Annual Highway Bid items. The following is a listing of the bidders. Bob Garrett, County Attorney and Troy Hostetler, Highway Superintendent will review the actual bids for accuracy and compliance with the bid specifications advertised.

Bid Item #1	Gravel and Sand Speedway
Bid Item #2	Stone and Sand Brooks Construction Co. IMI - Huntington Rock Creek Columbia City Mill
Bid Item #3	Concrete Bridge Materials Milestone
Bid Item #4	Timber Bridge Materials American Timber Bridge
Bid Item #5	Liquid Asphalt Piercetown
Bid Item #6	Emulsion Asphalt Materials Piercetown
Bid Item #7	Cold Mix (Delivered) Brooks Construction Co. Phend and Brown Central Paving
Bid Item #8	Hot Mix - Compacted

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E & P Paving
Brooks Construction Co.
Wayne Asphalt

IN THE MATTER OF QUOTES)

2023 Annual Highway Quotes

The Commissioners opened the quotes for the Annual Highway quote items. The following is a listing for the bidders. Actual quotes will be reviewed by County Attorney Bob Garrett and Highway Superintendent Troy Hostetler for accuracy and compliance with the quote specifications advertised.

- Quote Item #1 Tires**
Wertemberger Tire
McMahon Tire
- Quote Item #2 Signs**
3RB
- Quote Item #3 Pavement Markings**
3 Rivers
- Quote Item #4 Culvert Pipe and Tile**
St. Regis Culverts, Inc
Civilcon
E3 Bridge
Debco Metal Culverts
Metal Culverts, Inc.
- Quote Item #5 Heavy Equipment (Excavator)**
Enyeart
- Quote Item #6 Grader Blades**
Wear Parts
Winter
- Quote Item #7 Calcium Chloride**
Great Lakes

Terry Stoffel made a motion to accept the bids and quotes for review. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea and Tom Wall voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF DISCUSSION)

Huntington County Bridge #143

Terry Stoffel made a motion to approve the Authorization to Proceed for USI Consultants in regard to Huntington County Bridge #143 on County Road 100 North over Loon Creek. Tom Wall seconded and the motion passed 2-0 with Terry Stoffel voting yea and Tom Wall voting yea.

IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

Clerk of the Circuit Court's Monthly Report

Bridgett Burkhart, Office Manager, submitted the Clerk of the Circuit Court Report for the month ending January 31, 2023 as prepared by Shelley Septer, Clerk of Huntington Circuit/Superior Courts.

IN THE MATTER OF REPORT)

Country Treasurer's Monthly Report

Bridgett Burkhart, Office Manager, submitted the County Treasurer's Report for the month ending January 31, 2023 as prepared by Brenda Hamilton, Treasurer.

The Commissioners recessed at 11:56 a.m.

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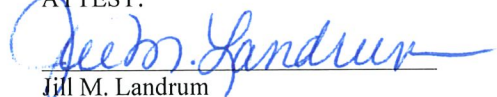
Rob Miller

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Tom Wall

Terry Stoffel

ATTEST:



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