

COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Jefferson County Courthouse, Room 103, 300 E. Main St. Madison, IN 47250

DATE 07-12-2018

Commissioner David Bramer called the meeting to order, and led The Pledge of Allegiance along with Norbert Schafer and Robert Little. Commissioner Robert Little made a motion to approve the previous meetings minutes, all accounts payable, and payroll claim dockets. Commissioner Norbert Schafer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

Molly O'Connor, Recorder- County Recorder, Molly O'Connor presented a Redaction Services and Support Agreement with Computer Systems Inc. The renewal is for an additional five years and the contract has remained unchanged since the last renewal in 2014. Commissioner Robert Little made a motion to accept the Redaction & Support agreement with CSI. Commissioner Norbert Schafer seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

Susie Lawrence, 911 Director- Susie Lawrence came before the Commissioners to extend her appreciation for two dispatchers, Jenny Vest and Julia Flowers, whom were working the day of the shooting incident at King's Daughters Hospital. Susie read aloud a letter explaining the service and professionalism the two dispatchers demonstrated that day. The letter will be placed in their employee files and an award was given.

Lide White Memorial Boys & Girls Club/ Family & Community Center- Ray Black, Executive Director of Lide White Boys & Girls Club, provided information regarding the benefits the organization has within Jefferson County. The Boys & Girls Club serves approximately 330 kids per day. Ray Black explained how the grant is vital to the existence of the Club and assists with day-to-day operating expenses. Ray Black requested \$15,000 for the 2019 budget. In other business, Ray Black announced his upcoming retirement and stated that this is his 35th year coming to the County with a budget request. Black introduced Brandi Poling who will be taking over the position of Executive Director. Commissioner Little thanked Ray Black for his many years of dedicated service and the positive impact he has had on the community. The Commissioners will take the request under advisement.

Larry Jones, Veteran's Council- Larry Jones came before the Commissioners to request funding for the 2019 budget. Jones stated the Veterans Council has three areas where funding would be beneficial. The Veterans Council has requested \$4200 for a Fallen Warrior Monument to be placed at the Veteran's Cemetery, \$3000 to refurbish the Jefferson County Proving Ground sign at the Highway 421 entrance, and \$5000 to help with the expenses of the new DAV transportation vehicle. Larry Jones also announced that Governor Holcomb is expected to attend the Samuel Woodfill program on October 12th at the Indiana Veteran's Memorial Cemetery.

Nel Konkle, Road Concerns- Nel Konkle of Greenbrier Road near Brooksborg, came before the Commissioners with safety concerns for Greenbrier Road. Konkle provided multiple pictures showing the hairpin curves and road conditions on Greenbrier, Brushy Fork and Bear Bridge. Konkle questioned the process of determining which roads are considered for paving or chip and seal. Commissioner Bramer stated that Highway Department Superintendent Robert Phillips utilizes a LTAP PASER rating system to evaluate all County roads and their conditions. Konkle again questioned the time for responding to road concerns. Commissioners explained that Robert Phillips has prioritized FEMA projects with highest priority before all other projects but if road conditions worsen, he will address those issues as they occur. Konkle has requested that the visibility issues be corrected by placing signs or flashers warning drivers of the hairpin curve. Discussion followed about driving conditions and safety concerns on Bear Bridge and Brushy Fork. Commissioner Robert Little stated he will address the signage request with the Highway Department.

Firewall Renewal- The firewall renewal is due to Vology, Inc for the County IT Department firewall system. The renewal is for one year and includes one year of cloud analysis and log

retention for \$4985.42. Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to approve the renewal for the firewall. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

Upper Dry Fork Bid- Highway Superintendent Robert Phillips was unable to attend today's meeting. The Commissioners had additional questions regarding the Upper Dry Fork bid, therefore a decision was made to take the bid under advisement until the next meeting.

John Wallace, Sheriff- Sheriff John Wallace stated that the walk-in freezer door needs to be replaced at the jail. He has received two quotes for the door, one from Terry's Heating and Cooling for \$4250 and the other from Vittitow Refrigeration Inc for \$4300. Sheriff Wallace is scheduled to be placed on the agenda at the next County Council meeting to arrange the funds for the purchase. In other business, Sheriff Wallace stated the jail population for this evening was 166 inmates. Commissioner Little asked if an inmate-volunteer work-duty program would help with overcrowding during the day. Commissioner Little will check in to the options with the County Attorney and County insurance.

Troy Morgan, EMA- The deadline for individual assistance from FEMA was on July 5th. At this time, there has not been an update given from FEMA regarding the number of individuals that were assisted. On June 14th, EMA received the annual assessment and has passed all areas in the assessment, except for the need of a permanent location for the EOC. DHS granted approval at this time for the temporary location at the Health Department but advised that a permanent location will be needed for the next assessment. In other business, Morgan explained that DHS will reimburse half of the salary for an administrative assistant position for the EMA Department. Morgan requested that he add the position to his budget request for 2019. Commissioners agreed to add the position in the budget for consideration from Council. Commissioners will continue to look into finding a permanent location for the EOC.

In other business, Commissioner David Bramer stated that the Jail Exploratory Committee is expected to be finished with the jail assessment at the end of July and will continue to provide updates on status.

Commissioner Norbert Schafer made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Robert Little seconded the motion. Motion passed 3/0.

ATTEST: _____
Sherry Eblen, Auditor

David Bramer, President

Norbert Schafer, Member

Robert Little, Member