

# Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

**Monday, March 19, 2018**

**10:00 am**

**Tippecanoe Room, Tippecanoe County Office Building  
20 N 3rd Street, Lafayette, Indiana**

Commissioners present: President Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice President Dave S. Byers and Member Tracy A. Brown.

Also present: Attorney Doug Masson, Chief Deputy Auditor Jeremy Diehl, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary John Thomas.

## I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from Monday, March 5, 2018

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the minutes as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

## III. PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS AND PAYROLL – Paula Bennett

**The claims from March 7, 2018 through March 19, 2018, including payroll from March 19, 2018** were recommended for approval without exception.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll as submitted, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

## IV. TEMA – William Anderson

This week is Severe Weather Awareness Week and there will be a test of the tornado warning system tomorrow. According to the National Weather Service, there are more confirmed tornados in Tippecanoe County than in any other Indiana County. A joint Severe Weather Proclamation was read by Mayor Roswarski, Mayor Dennis, Commissioner Murtaugh and Carol Shelby the Director of Purdue Public Safety.

## V. HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Craig Rich and Amanda Balsler

The Health Department is evaluating the purchase of a mobile health clinic for the Gateway to Hope program that could also be used for many other types of community outreach (back to school shots, STD clinic, health fairs, etc.). The department is applying for three grants that will help fund the Gateway to Hope and mobile sites and possibly another brick and mortar site. The mobile clinic could be funded with the Maintenance in Trust grant as well as the other three. They will be looking other site this week for a replacement site for the Gateway to Hope. President Murtaugh requested an update at the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## VI. HIGHWAY – Stewart Kline

### Opening of Bids – Bridge #121 Rehabilitation Project

Two bids were submitted and opened:

	<u>Base</u>	<u>Alternative 1</u>	<u>Alternative 2</u>
-American Contracting	\$645,740	\$131,000	\$24,600
-Yates Construction	\$467,720	\$130,000	\$41,000

- Commissioner Byers moved to take the bids under advisement, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

**3 Year Construction Maintenance Bond** – For the R L Turner Corporation in the amount of \$5,000 for work in the right-of-way at 702 West CR 500 North.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the bond, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

**3 Year Utility Maintenance Bond** – For Amber Lawson DBA Rayrod Utility Services in the amount of \$5,000 for work in all County right-of-way.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the bond, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

**Continuation Certificate** – For American Paving & Asphalt, Inc. in the amount of \$5,000

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the bond, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

## VII. AREA PLAN – Sallie Fahey

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement** for Brian Fahey was presented for the Commissioners information by Sallie Fahey.

### **Carroll County Traffic Count Agreement**

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement that includes a not to exceed the amount of \$10,075 as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

## VIII. BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION- Christa Coffey, Brian Mangus, Cheryl Craybill

**Approval of early voting sites and election day vote center sites.** The sites and time provide 426 hours of voting availability.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the recommended sites as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

## IX. MITS – Dave Sturgeon

**Electronic Communication Policy Amendment** – Postponed until April 16<sup>th</sup>.

## X. AGREEMENT WITH PARADIGM

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement** for Commissioner Brown because he is a contract employee for the Paradigm firm.

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept the disclosure as stated, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried, with Commissioner Brown abstaining. Attorney Doug Masson stated that Commissioner Brown's relationship with Paradigm has nothing to do with their work with the County.

### **Leadership Wellness Program**

The program has been under contract by the county since the beginning of the County's medical clinic. The agreement is for \$7,200 and is for calendar year 2018.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried, with Commissioner Brown abstaining

## XI. CASA – Coleen Connor

### Staff Advocate

The request is for a new Staff Advocate position. In 2017 there were over 600 children put into the program and the position will help address the waiting list (105) for CASA services and prevent attorney fees for representing cases. It is expected to be funded from the General Fund (some 2018 budgeted funds are available) and come before the County Council. A Victims of Crime Act grant will be submitted to help pay for the position.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the recommendation as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

## XII. GRANTS – Sharon Hutchison

### Permission to Apply for Grants:

Health Department: A Comer Family Foundation grant for \$10,000 to support the Gateway to Hope program mobile unit and/or permanent brick and mortar locations.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Health Department: A Narcan grant through the Indiana State Department of Health for supplies in collaboration with other local jurisdictions. This is a continuation grant thru 2019 where no actual monies are exchanged.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Health Department: A Trailblazer grant from the Indiana Clinical Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI) Community Health Engagement program for \$25,000 to support the Gateway to Hope program.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Health Department: The Firestarter Award from CTSI Community Health Engagement Program for \$5,000 in collaboration with Purdue Pharmacy Students to address the Opioid Crisis in Tippecanoe County.

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

### Permission to Accept Grants:

Youth Services: Tippecanoe County Juvenile Community Corrections was awarded a performance bonus from the Indiana Department of Correction for the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI) program in the amount of \$12,750. Funding will be used for training and incentives (fund 9214).

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Prosecutor Harrington presented the 2018 Indiana Criminal Justice Institute \$37,250 grant for the JAG personnel in the High-Tech Crimes Unit for January thru June 2018.

- Commissioner Brown moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

Prosecutor Harrington stated that his office is applying for a victim advocate grant from VOCA and requested one of the Commissioners attend a proclamation reading on April 11 for National Crime Victims' Rights Week.

**MOU/Contract:**

Health: A contract with Purdue University for two part-time Environmentalist positions for \$4,800 total.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Brown. Motion carried.

Youth Services: An amended grant agreement with Dr. Brandie Oliver for updating the curriculum for the "Teaching the Teen Brain" to be used along with the "Understanding Your Teen Brain" curriculum and coordinating additional days of teaching .

- Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

**XIII. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS – None**

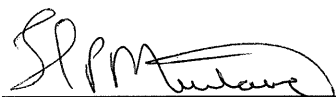
**XIV. REPORTS ON FILE**

- Tippecanoe County Public Library
- Wabash River Corridor Commission
- Tippecanoe County Building Commission
- Clerk of the Courts Monthly Financials

**XV. PUBLIC COMMENT – None**

Commissioner Byers moved to adjourn. President Murtaugh adjourned the meeting.

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THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE



Thomas P. Murtaugh, President

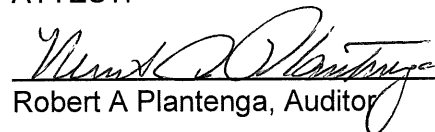


David S. Byers, Vice-President



Tracy A. Brown, Member

ATTEST:

  
Robert A Plantenga, Auditor 04/2/2018