Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners

Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 1, 2020
10:00 am
Tippecanoe Room, Tippecanoe County Office Building
20 N 3rd Street, Lafayette, Indiana

Commissioners present President Tracy A. Brown, Vice President Thomas P. Murtaugh and Member David S. Byers.
Also present: Attorney Doug Masson, Auditor Robert Plantenga, Commissioners' Assistant Paula Bennett, and Recording Secretary John Thomas.

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – President Brown called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance

II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** from Monday, May 18, 2020.

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

III. **PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** – Paula Bennett

The claims from May 22, 2020 through June 1, 2020 were recommended for approval without exception.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Accounts Payable as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

IV. **PRESENTATION OF PAYROLL** – Paula Bennett

The payroll from May 29, 2020 was recommended for approval without exception.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Payroll as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

V. **AREA PLAN**

A. **ORDINANCE 2020-03-CM**: a rezoning from R1 & PDRS to PDRS for Stonehenge PD, Phase 4 (Heron Bay Development LLC), Wabash 34 (NW) 24-5.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to consider ORDINANCE 2020-03-CM, second by Commissioner Byers.

Attorney Dan Teder, representing the developer, stated that the Petitioner is requesting rezoning for a single-family development of 107 large lots and 6 outlots with private streets. This request completes the planned development and will have several amenities: trails, pond, common area, extensive landscaping, clubhouse and a pool. He said the request received both staff and APC approval.

President Brown called for the vote:

- Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote:

Commissioner Brown	Yes
Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes
Commissioner Byers	Yes

Ordinance 2020-03-CM passed with a vote of 3-0.

B. **ORDINANCE 2020-04-CM**: a rezoning from GB to I3 at 4418 E Old 350 S (east of Sagamore Parkway), in Fairfield 11 (NW) 23-4.

- Commissioner Byers moved to consider ORDINANCE 2020-04-CM, second by Commissioner Murtaugh.

Attorney Dan Teder, representing the petitioner (Lafayette Tents and Events), stated this is a request to rezone two 5-acre tracts. The petitioner wants to consolidate their facilities

from Concord Road and Downtown to this location. The request received both staff and APC approval and follows the Adopted Land Use Plan.

President Brown called for the vote:

- Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote:

Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes
Commissioner Byers	Yes
Commissioner Brown	Yes

Ordinance 2020-04-CM passed with a vote of 3-0.

C. ORDINANCE 2020-05-CM: President Brown stated that the attorney presenting this request is on route and the request will be heard later in the meeting.

D. ORDINANCE 2020-06-CM: a rezoning from R1A to R1B of Belle Terra Major Subdivision at the northwest corner of CR 600N and CR 75E in Tippecanoe 20 (SE) 24-4.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to consider ORDINANCE 2020-06-CM, second by Commissioner Byers.

Attorney Dan Teder, representing the developers (K & K Homes LLC), stated the request is for 79 lots on 27.57 acres. The rezoning is similar to the developer's subdivision on Morehouse Road but includes a "commitment" to increase lot coverage from 30% to 35%. It will have several amenities including a clubhouse, pool and trails. The request received both staff and APC approval.

Commissioner Byers asked if the emergency access between subdivision phases is retained and Attorney Teder said that it was.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to accept the commitment, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

President Brown called for the vote:

- Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote:

Commissioner Byers	Yes
Commissioner Brown	Yes
Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes

Ordinance 2020-06-CM passed with a vote of 3-0.

VI. HIGHWAY – Stewart Kline presented and recommended:

A. Opening of Bids for the Bridge #133 Replacement Project.

This is a timber bridge that had an emergency repair this spring because of a collapsed pier. Attorney Masson opened the bids:

Milestone, $879,000
Duncan Robertson Inc., 727,490.20

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to accept the bids and take them under advisement, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

B. Continuation Certificate to: Groundwater & Environmental Services Inc; Fairfield Contractors Inc; Tri-County Telephone Company, dba TDS Telephone; West Point Telephone Company Inc, dba TDS Telecom; each for $5,000 to work in all County right-of-way.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve all four Continuation Certificates as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

VII. AREA PLAN COMMISSION

ORDINANCE 2020-05-CM: a rezoning from R1 to GB at 10 Aretz Lane (east of Old SR 25N).

- Commissioner Byers moved to consider ORDINANCE 2019-05-CM, second by Commissioner Murtaugh.

Attorney Reid Murtaugh, representing the owners, stated that the triangular-shaped half an acre of land is surrounded by GB zoning and both the APC and staff recommended approval.

President Brown called for the vote:

- Auditor Plantenga recorded the vote:

Commissioner Brown	Yes
Commissioner Murtaugh	Yes
Commissioner Byers	Yes

Ordinance 2020-05-CM passed with a vote of 3-0.

VIII. GRANTS – Sharon Hutchison presented and recommended:

Permission to Apply for Grants:

A. For TEMA, and possibly the bomb squad, from the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation grant for Life Safety Equipment.
   - Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

B. For the SHERIFF & Community Corrections from the Department of Justice's Bullet Proof Vest Partnership Grant for the purchase of vests for new deputies and necessary updates.
   - Commissioner Byers moved to approve applying for the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

Permission to Accept Grants funds:

For the Commissioners, instead of the Sheriff, from the Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance to continue COVID-19 supplies that will be needed for the next 36 months, in the amount of $58,008. No match is required by the County.

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

MOU/Contract:

For Cary Home Youth Services with the following six providers for addendums to agreements for the Safe Place program: Emily Hardy, Devon Moore, Rebecca Humphrey, Alisha Phillips, Kaitlin Romza and Madeline Roirdan.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the contract addendums as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

IX. ACCEPTANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION FOR JAIL SECURITY VIDEO UPGRADE PROJECT

Sheriff Goldsmith said that the contract for upgrading the security video system with DLZ & Stanley Convergent Security is complete except for a couple pending issues. The project went well and recommended the Commissioners accept the Certificate of Completion.

- Commissioner Byers moved to accept the Certificate as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

X. THIRD DIRECTIVE CONCERNING DEPOSIT FREQUENCY

Attorney Masson stated that the President was granted authority to change deposit frequency from daily to the Tuesday and Thursdays of each week. This Third Directive reverts to the original daily deposit schedule.

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to ratify the directive as presented, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

XI. CHANGE ORDER FOR FAIRGROUNDS PROJECT with Mulhaupt's (#2) to change the type of cameras for a savings and thus a deduction of $11,000.

- Commissioner Byers moved to approve the change order as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh. Motion carried.

XII. APPOINTMENT TO TIPPECANOE COUNTY BUILDING CORPORATION BOARD:

- Commissioner Murtaugh moved to appointment Emily Downing to the Corporation Board, second by Commissioner Byers. Motion carried.

XIII. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS – None

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Brown thanked the Sheriff and maintenance staff for all their efforts during the weekend protests that he said were peaceful for the most part, with only minimal damage to the courthouse. The public should have confidence and trust in government and the police, and most support the protesters but condemn the violence and destruction. He wants the voices of the protesters to be heard, but the destruction of property will not be condoned. In this community, we work together.

Commissioner Murtaugh said there was very good communication between all law enforcement agencies and thanked the maintenance staff for working all Sunday. He said that those in the 1st protesters were well organized and professional, but the 2nd round was just sad.

Commissioner Byers also thanked the Maintenance staff and felt that the protesters have a right to speak but no right to loot and damage property.

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

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THE COUNTY OF TIPPECANOE

Tracy A. Brown, President

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David S. Byers, Member

ATTEST:

Robert A Plantenga, Auditor 6/15/2020

Minutes prepared by John Thomas, Recording Secretary