

BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S

MEETING April 15, 2019

The Blackford County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on April 15, 2019 in the Commissioner's Office located on the first floor of the Blackford County Courthouse, Hartford City IN.

President John Lancaster called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and Auditor Sharon Hartley called roll with Commissioners Nick Rhodes, John Lancaster and John Oxley present. **Others in attendance** were Mary Beal, Bruce Edgington, Colton Bickel, Anne Owen, Jon Oswalt, Jeff Sones, Sam Swenson, Paul Schriver, Brian Greer, Kathy Goodspeed, Ryan Goodspeed, Laura Coons, Tim Stanley and Linda Briles. Also, in attendance were Dan Swift and Dan Beiswanger from Ricoh, Tyler Sprunger from Perry Pro Tech and Jeff Carmichael from Office Concepts.

The minutes of the April 1, 2019 meeting were approved as presented by a 3/0 vote after a motion by John Oxley and a 2nd by Nick Rhodes.

Bruce Edgington, Highway Supervisor had several reports: **1.** A property on county road 100 S and Willmann Road has **fence posts in the right-of-way** which impede traffic. Commissioners asked Sheriff Sones to send an officer with highway employees to remove the fence posts from the r/w and to educate the home owners as to the r/w use. **2.** R A Myers has started the **Community Crossings project** on the Bridge #75 on State Road 18. **3.** The **Container Collection Site** was open last Saturday and collected \$126 in fees.

Surveyor Paul Schriver presented a **Stormwater Ordinance update** proposal from Christopher B. Burke Engineering, LLC for \$12,000. The ordinance which has not been updated since 2001. John Oxley made a motion to take the proposal under advisement until the May 6 meeting. Nick Rhodes 2nd and the vote was 3/0.

Clerk Laura Coons presented the **Notice of Polling Places** for signatures. 2019 polling sites are the Blackford County 4-H Building and Montpelier Civic Center. John Oxley moved to approve the sites and Nick Rhodes 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Sheriff Jeff Sones gave the inmate count as 26 local males, 10 local females, 18 out-of-county males and 5 out-of-county females for a total of 59 inmates. Sones will meet with Honeywell this week to discuss the progress of the renovations to the Jail. There are no new leaks in the roof. Havel presented the Sheriff a proposal to update the Network Controller to allow the system to be updated from Windows 7 to Windows 10. The cost is \$18,629.

Courthouse Custodian Tim Stanley reported that Havel presented a proposal similar to the one for the Jail to update Network Controller at a cost of \$23,540. He is also still waiting for a quote on concrete work around the courthouse.

Assessor Kathy Goodspeed presented an **agreement from Worrell Corp** to prepare and send the Form 11, Notice of Assessment, for a fee of \$4,963.41. Goodspeed said this will be paid from the reassessment fund. Nick Rhodes moved to approve the agreement and John Oxley 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Copiers: Five companies were asked to submit quotes on eight (8) copiers with lease end dates in July 2019. The quotes were to include support and supplies. Company reps Dan Swift, Tyler Sprunger and Jeff Carmichael gave the Commissioners information on their companies and products.

Ricoh -- Dan Swift and Dan Beiswanger - \$711.36 per month (60 months)

Tyler Sprunger -- Perry Pro Tech - \$818.85 per month (60 months)

Office Concepts -- Jeff Carmichael - \$603.89 per month (60 months)

Cardinal -- Mike Smith and Joshua Hardy - \$768.57 per month (support not mentioned)

Advanced Imaging -- Dan Young - \$734.00 per month (60 months)

Nick Rhodes moved to take the quotes under advisement and John Oxley 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

P&Z Director Anne Owen spoke as a Hartford City Urban Greenscape member asking the Commissioners to allow the group to **reset a stone and plant a tree near the monument on the north-west corner of the courthouse grounds**. The stone is dedicated to Rev. Herbert Cornuelle and references a tree that was planted in his memory. The group is working with Purdue Extension's Laurynn Thieme on what type of tree to plant. Nick Rhodes moved to all the tree to be planted and stone to be repaired. John Oxley 2nd and the vote was 3/0.

John Oxley made a motion to transfer the property on the corner of Jefferson and High Streets in Hartford City to the City of Hartford City. Nick Rhodes 2nd and the vote was 3/0. The City plans a park and Amphitheater on that corner.

Resolution 2019-R3, temporarily suspending Ordinance 2010-03 due to road construction on State Road 26 through Hartford City was passed on a motion to approve by Nick Rhodes, 2nd by John Oxley and 3/0 vote. The resolution will be in effect for 90 days or until the Indiana Department of Transportation completes the work. Ordinance 2010-03 prohibits truck traffic on Cross Road between Willman Road and 100 South.

Building Inspector – still working on this

Dog & Cat Control Ordinance – Linda Briles from the Health Department presented some suggestions to be included in the proposed ordinance.

Arts Place/Purdue Extension Office building – John Oxley made a motion to use \$5,000 from EDIT funds for repairs to the building. Nick Rhodes 2nd and the vote was 3/0.

Accounts Payable Claims: Claims were approved in the amount of \$163,046.69 on a motion by John Oxley and 2nd by Nick Rhodes. The vote was 3/0.

Payroll Claims:

PPE 4/5/2019 Claims for \$118,524.81 were approved on a motion by Nick Rhodes and 2nd by John Oxley and 3/0 vote.

Public Comment – none

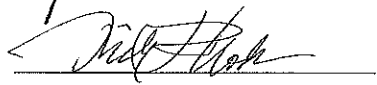
There being no further public comment, John Oxley made a motion to adjourn. **The meeting was adjourned at 9:17 a.m.**

Approved this 6th day of May, 2019.

The Blackford County Board of Commissioners


John Lancaster, President


John Oxley, Vice President


Nick Rhodes, Member

Attest:


Auditor Sharon Hartley