

BLACKFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S

MEETING December 2, 2019

The Blackford County Commissioners met in regular session at 8:30 a.m. on December 2, 2019 in the Commissioner's Office located on the first floor of the Blackford County Courthouse, Hartford City IN.

Vice-President John Oxley called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance and Auditor Sharon Hartley called roll with Commissioners Nick Rhodes and John Oxley present. John Lancaster came in five minutes later. **Others in attendance** were Anne Owen, Mary Beal, Bruce Edgington, Tyler Hunt, Tim Stanley, Sam Swenson, Warren Brown, Judy Smith, Bill Smith, Dan Eckstein, Paul Schriver, Brian Bade, Laura Coons, Jim Heflin, Mike Matel and Jon Oswalt.

The minutes of the November 18, 2019 meeting were approved as presented by a 3/0 vote after a motion by Nick Rhodes and a 2nd by John Lancaster.

The minutes of the November 18, 2019 Executive Session were approved as presented by a 3/0 vote after a motion by John Oxley and a 2nd by Nick Rhodes.

Bruce Edgington: 1. The four-way stop signs will be put up today at CR 200 N and CR 200 W.

Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Heflin gave the inmate count.

Custodian Tim Stanley reported the elevator will be fixed this week. Parts are obsolete and must be rebuilt.

P&Z Director Anne Owen reported the tree lighting on the courthouse grounds have been changed to Saturday, December 7th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

EMA Director Bill Smith reported the LEPC meeting will be held in Montpelier on December 12 at noon.

BCEDC Director Warren Brown met with Auditor Hartley to verify TIF areas. Also, there is expansion beginning at the Hartford City Business Park.

Judge Brian Bade addressed cleaning in the court areas and snow removal.

The **Health Department** presented a contract with Steve Baker for cleaning and light maintenance. Nick Rhodes moved to accept the contract and John Oxley 2nd. The vote was 3/0. The department also presented a contract with Brian Conner for snow removal. John Oxley moved to accept the contract and Nick Rhodes 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Purdue Extension Office presented a contract for 2020. John Oxley moved to accept the contract and Nick Rhodes 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Commissioners approved the request to use the courthouse on Saturday, December 14th from 11:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the **Christmas Extravaganza** on a motion by Nick Rhodes, 2nd by John Oxley and 3/0 vote.

2020 Appointments will be done at the December 16th meeting.

Comcast sent a request to work at 1013 S 100 W. John Oxley moved to allow the work and Nick Rhodes 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Bids for work on Bridge #22 were opened: Hoosier Pride Excavating \$559,836.65; HIS Constructors, Inc \$965,630.14. After Highway Supervisor Bruce Edgington and Mike Matel from Butler, Fairman and Seufert reviewed the bids, they recommended Commissioners accept the bid from Hoosier Pride. John Oxley moved to accept the bid from Hoosier Pride Excavating (\$559,836.65) and Nick Rhodes 2nd. The vote was 3/0.

Accounts Payable Claims: Claims were approved in the amount of \$135,574.74 on a motion by John Oxley and 2nd by Nick Rhodes. The vote was 3/0.

Payroll Claims:

PPE 11/15/2019 Claims for \$124,491.66 were approved on a motion by Nick Rhodes and 2nd by John Oxley. The vote was 3/0.

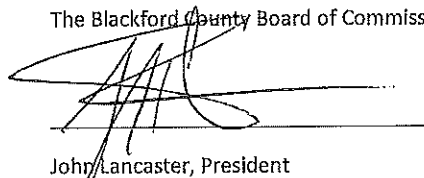
Public Comment:

Mary Beal asked the status on the building inspector. Lancaster responded they needed to get everything written down.

There being no further public comment, John Oxley made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

Approved this 16th day of December, 2019.

The Blackford County Board of Commissioners



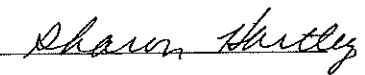
John Lancaster, President



John Oxley, Vice President



Nick Rhodes, Member

Attest: 

Auditor Sharon Hartley