

WHITLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 3, 2024

The Whitley County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, June 3, 2024, at 1:00 PM in the Commissioner's Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. Commissioners in attendance were Chair Chad Banks, Vice Chair Rob Schuman, and Commissioner Theresa Baysinger. Others in attendance were Auditor Tiffany Deakins, Commissioner's Assistant Cami Hippenhammer, Chief Deputy Auditor Tamela Tincher, Mark Sturtevant, Engineer Brad Allen, Health Director Scott Wagner, Dale Buuck and Abbey Anthony from the EDC.

Chairman Banks opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

THOMAS MARSHALL REHABILITATION CONTRACTS: There are two contracts that need to be signed for the construction work that is going to begin for the Thomas Marshall home. Attorney Boxberger has reviewed the contracts and made necessary changes and the contractors have both signed the agreements. The DNR does require certain verbiage to be on a separate page for their requirements. Mark Sturtevant will reach out to the contractors to ensure that they both agree to the appendix. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve the contracts pending approval of the added appendix from each contractor, seconded by Schuman and passed unanimously with a 3/0 vote.

SRI ANNUAL AGREEMENT: Auditor Deakins stated that this is the same annual agreement the County has every year for the Tax Sale. Attorney Boxberger has reviewed the agreement and addendum requesting a few changes that were approved by SRI. Schuman made a motion to approve the SRI Annual Agreement and addendum, seconded by Baysinger and passed with a 3/0 vote.

BAKERTILLY ANNUAL REPORT: Auditor Deakins stated that this is the report for end of 2023 reporting year that BakerTilly will file on the county's behalf to EMMA, which is required for the 2023 bond for the build of the new jail. This report will be completed every year by BakerTilly working with the Auditor to obtain correct financial information. Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Schuman and passed with a 3/0 vote.

MINUTES AND CLAIMS: The claim distributions from May 21, 2024, through June 3, 2024, were reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the account payable claims, seconded by Schuman and passed with a 3/0 vote. Commissioner Banks made a motion to approve the payroll claims, seconded by Baysinger and passed with a 3/0 vote. The Commissioners reviewed two sets of meeting minutes. The first was from a regular meeting on May 20th, 2024. Baysinger made a motion to approve, seconded by Schuman and carried with a 3/0 vote with Baysinger abstaining. The Commissioners also reviewed the minutes from the

June 3 bid opening that was a 10:00 a.m. Schuman made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Baysinger, and passed with a 3/0 vote.

FACILITIES REQUEST: Commissioners reviewed a facility request from the Elks Lodge for the use of the Courthouse law and sidewalks on June 15th from 11 a.m. until noon.

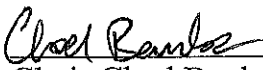
Commissioner Baysinger made a motion to approve the request, seconded by Schuman, and passed unanimously with a 3/0 vote.


PUBLIC COMMENT:

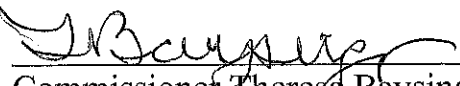
- Dale Buuck from the EDC wanted to extend an invite to the Commissioners to tour SDI, and wanted to know if the Commissioners would like him to invite anyone else from the County. Commissioner Banks stated that they would supply him with a list of others to invite.
- Auditor Deakins asked Commissioners if they would like to approve the presented ordinance for setting up the Health Education fund for the Health Department. Commissioners would like to wait until the contract can be presented at the same time to approve it all together.

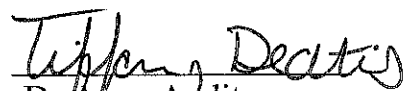
There being no further business and no comments from the public, Chair Banks adjourned the meeting at 1:17 PM.

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Chair Chad Banks


Vice Chair Robert Schuman


Commissioner Theresa Baysinger

Attest: 
Tiffany Deakins, Auditor