

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JULY 18, 2022

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

The Switzerland County Board of Commissioners met in regular session pursuant to law and by being duly advertised.

Those present – Commissioners: Grant Dean, Jerry Monjar and Jamie Peters.
County administrator: Susie Swank, auditor: Yvette Emmich, Highway superintendent: Anthony Thomas, maintenance tech: Wesley Poling.

Grant called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes from the regular meeting on July 5, 2022 were approved as written on a motion by Jerry, seconded by Jamie.

The claims were approved as presented on a motion by Jamie, seconded by Jerry.

#1 Highway Superintendent – Anthony Thomas

Anthony made the following updates:

- Replaced pipe on Enoch Road
- Ditching, getting ready for asphaltting
- Received state salt bid, \$91.26 per ton for treated salt. We used 4.5T last year. Presently, we are full. We can reserve salt at this price.
- Asphalt quote for Antioch Bridge project.
- Have done long arming work
- Cleaned up Quercus Grove hill
- Repaired slip Quercus Grove
- Worked on Popcorn Hill
- Chipping equipment is ready to go
- Pipe is to be delivered on Wednesday for Evans Hill Road, should be completed by 7/27-28
- Chip and seal top coat application (fog sealer) will be added
- Stripping bids came in for white line .25 per foot, \$2,300 per mile, one side, only, one quote received
- Asphalt bids have been listed in newspaper.
- Quote received for Grader parts
- Quote for #30 Antioch Bride approach paving was received from Dave O'Mara. Jamie approved the bid to pave the approaches on Antioch Road, bridge #30 from Dave O'Mara Contracting for \$10,500.00, Jerry seconded the motion.

#2 New Business

a. Resident from Cole Subdivision. Jason Laib read a statement regarding Cole Subdivision and the letter received regarding building permit violation. Mr. Laib was instructed to first speak with Mark Archer, building inspector and secondly with the Board of Planning and Zoning. County Commissioners are responsible for the enforcement of these ordinances, but the primary responsibility

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is with Mark and Planning and Zoning Board. Mr. Laib is welcome to come back to speak with the Commissioners after going through the fore mentioned steps.

b. Award bid for Bridge #4 – Fairview Road – one bid received from McAllister Excavating for \$547,391.70. Community crossing project, re-decking. Jamie made a motion to award the rehab of bridge #4 to McAllister Excavating in the amount of \$547,391.70, Jerry seconded the motion.

Also, Letter to Proceed is asked to be signed tonight due to time constraints. Grant made a motion to approve the right to proceed letter with FPBH, Inc., for bridge #4, pending insurance and bonds by McAllister and approval from INDOT, Jamie seconded the motion, all in favor.

c. Southeastern IN Economic Op Com – Board Appointment – one appointment and one applicant. This was advertised. One year appointment. Jerry made a motion to approve the application for August Dule to be re-appointed, Jamie seconded the motion. All in favor.

d. Dr. Frede – malpractice insurance renewal for 2022-2023 - Gardner Insurance renewing in the amount of \$14,823.75. Dr. Frede is the Health Director for the county and oversee the nurse manage clinic. Jerry made a motion to approve the claim from Gardner Insurance for Dr. Fredes' malpractice insurance and Jamie seconded the motion. All in favor.

e. Fund #8912 – School Co-Ag Workforce Dev Grant - to establish a fund to receive the grant money to support COVID-19 sustainment of local public health school and community response efforts. Jerry made a motion to establish a new fund, #8912 School Co-Ag Workforce Dev Grant and Jamie seconded the motion.

#3 Old Business

a. Courthouse Update - Mike Adams with Amerestore, updated information on the three (3) rooms that are still being worked on. Treasurer's office, upstairs library room and third floor child support office. Mr. Adams has done air sample test and they have all passed. We can now turn off the air scrubbers which will save a significant amount of money. Dehumidifiers will still need to run in the three offices until the a/c is turned back on.

b. Judge Coy asked if his office, as well as, the Clerk's office and Probation office remain at the Tech Center location until the Courthouse renovation is totally complete. Also, due to the increased case load, Probation office would like to find updated accommodations that would be more HIPPA compliant.

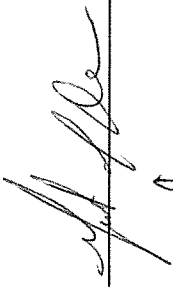
c. Bee Swarm removal – there are two (2) swarms on two (2) different window boxes that need to be removed before any exterior work can be done. Kable McAlpine submitted a quote for \$800.00 (without lift) to remove the swarms. Jamie made motion to approve the All Season Landscaping bid to remove the swarms at \$800.00, Jerry seconded the motion.

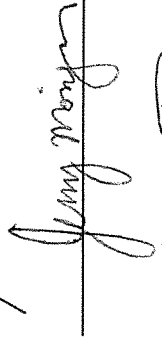
#4 Board Reports


Per Susie, the budget process is starting, Council will meet with some department heads on August 4, 2022 and Commissioners are encouraged to meet with their department prior to in order to meet with Council later the same day. Will need to hold a special meeting with EMS, Nadine Swift, prior to August 4th.

No other business from Jerry and Jamie.

With no further business to come before the board, Jamie made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry and the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.







Attest: 

 H. Yvette Emmich, Auditor
 Switzerland County, Indiana

