



**MINUTES
MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
JUNE 19, 2019
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The Monroe County Commissioners met in a regular meeting on June 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. with the following members present: Julie Thomas, President; Lee Jones, Vice President; and Penny Githens, Commissioner. Also present: Jordan Miller, Payroll Administrator; Jeff Cockerill, Attorney; Angie Purdie, Commissioners' Administrator; Lisa Ridge, Public Works Director; and Anita Freeman, Deputy Auditor.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Thomas

II. AMENDMENT TO AGENDA

Jones made a motion to amend the agenda to include the Ratification of the Local Disaster Emergency Declaration.

Githens seconded.

Thomas stated this will be item "D" under new business.

Motion carried by voice vote.

III. COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC STATEMENT

Statement read by Jones

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT – FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA, LIMITED TO 3 MINUTES

Good morning. My name is **Jessica Cochran**. I'm a resident of the south west corridor of Monroe County. I'm here to simply say thank you. Which is in stark contrast to the last time I was here. I'd like to thank the Commissioners and others here that came to the south west corridor to see how the Fullerton Pike expansion is and will be affecting our neighborhood. I see this specifically in the context of two events. The first is the April 15th informational meeting for the Fullerton Pike expansion, which I attended. It took a lot of effort for volunteers to get people to come there, I believe over 100 people came. We came away from that

meeting very encouraged we felt like it was conducted very professionally. We are hopeful that the input that we gave will lead to a slow, safe, aesthetically pleasing road that we cannot just live with but possibly enjoy. I do want to say that is worth noting that the majority of people who spoke in favor of this expansion were actually not residents of the south west corridor. Those residents who did come and were giving input were not saying we don't want this road, we were saying we're okay with this road, we just want it to be safe, slow and aesthetically pleasing. Second I also want to thank Lisa Ridge, Paul Satterly, and American Structurepoint for the meeting we had yesterday about the upcoming roundabout on the corner of Rogers and Gordon Pike. The residents who came yesterday are looking forward to following up on receiving the information that was promised so that we can in turn give our input. We have this golden opportunity to have a roundabout that could actually, not just be a roundabout we can live with but possibly enjoy seeing every day. So, thank you, I'm sure you rarely hear citizens coming here to thank you, so I just want to say thank you and we look forward to working with you continually to see the Fullerton Pike expansion, specifically phase three, be sensitive to the 90% residential area. Thank you so much and good morning.

(Thomas) Thank you. Thank you for coming yesterday.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **JUNE 12, 2019**

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

Motion carried by voice vote.

VI. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS DOCKET

- **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE – JUNE 19, 2019**
- **PAYROLL – JUNE 21, 2019**

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

(Miller) Total for Accounts Payable - \$2,556,493

- \$859,911.33 – Spring Settlement
- \$411,290.13 – Anthem BC/BS
- \$308,268.14 – Limestone Greenway Trail

Total for Payroll - \$1,513,197.78

- 70.7% - Direct Costs
- 29.3% - Indirect Costs

After call for public comment, motion carried by voice vote.

VII. REPORTS

- **TREASURER – MAY 2019**
- **TRAFFIC/ROAD UPDATE**
 - 2019 paving projects were to begin Monday, June 17th. Due to the storm and tornado, crews instead have been concentrating on cleanup of trees and debris around the county.
 - Dittmore and Chafin Chapel Roads are still closed per the Fire Department Recommendations.
 - County road crews have worked nonstop since Saturday night to get all the debris out of the roadways.
 - Big thank you to the Monroe County Garage workers, Fire Responders and Emergency Management team for their help. This was the new Highway Supervisors' involvement with prioritizing where help was needed in the county. 31 roads were affected by the storm having downed trees. All roads except Dittmore and Chafin Chapel were reopened.
 - Weather permitting, paving will begin next week.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. MOVE TO APPROVE: PROPOSED 2019 OPIOID SUMMIT BUDGET.

FUND NAME: SPECIAL DONATIONS FUND NUMBER: 4112 AMOUNT: \$20,000

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

(Purdie) Good morning Commissioners. I'm going to turn this over to Andrea Havill as she will make the presentation on the proposed budget. And just for the public's interest this appropriation does not require County Council appropriation or approval as it meets the criteria of the fund. It was brought to our attention that there is a typo in the proposed budget, where it says resource tables 23 total, actually its 26 total.

Hi, I am **Andrea Havill**. I am a member of the Monroe County Opioid Advisory Commission and I am Chair of the Summit Committee this year. What I have is a proposed budget and I'm happy to run through this if you'd like. We're asking for \$20,000 from the Monroe County Opioid Advisory Commission sum carried over from last year. We have three revenue sources. Ticket sales, we'll be charging \$35 per ticket. We have resource tables and we have sponsorships. So those are our revenue sources and that totals \$70,300. For expenses we have two venues. We will be kicking off the event on Monday evening, September 23rd with a screening of "Beautiful Boy" at Buskirk Chumley Theater. There will be just costs associated with that. The big event is September 24th and that will be at the Convention Center and that is the bulk of our costs, food, room rental, AV, etc. We also have speaking and presenting fees, accommodations and travel. Those are all associated with our presenters, our panelist, and our moderators. We have materials, printing, and event management promotion fees and then gift, décor, music, and extra. I'm happy to slow down and go through these if you want and ask questions if you have

any. Kickoff event September 6th. This is being led through the Monroe County Health Department and this is a kickoff to the month and to the events that are going to be happening at the end of the month with us. So we would like to support that.

(Thomas) Thank you so much.

(Githens) I want to point out that you're not asking for new funds to be allocated you're asking for money that already is in the coffer to be transferred over into this. And this is money that was generated from the previous two summits.

(Thomas) So applying last year's fund balance to this year's event.

(Havill) Right.

(Thomas) Which is what it's intended to do.

(Jones) Will you ultimately use any of this year's money this year or will that roll over until next year?

(Havill) In the budget what I would like to have for the person who is doing this next year with the Commission is about \$10,000 seed money to start next year's process. So we would be spending down to about \$10,000 and hopefully keeping that \$10,000 for expenses next year.

(Jones) Thank you.

(Thomas) I know this is a big event and it's difficult to organize so I appreciate your work on it and everybody on the Commission. It is a big undertaking, not one to be taken lightly and it's so important for us all so thank you for doing this.

After call for public comment, motion carried by voice vote.

**B. MOVE TO APPROVE: CONTRACT WITH ARTIST FOR HEALTH SERVICES BUILDING RAMP.
FUND NUMBER: LOCAL GRANTS FUND NUMBER: 9117 AMOUNT: \$579.35**

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

Penny Caudill Monroe County Health Department. A few weeks ago I came before you and we had selected an artist and rendering for the Health Services Building ramp wall. We've met with the artist, I have Gypsy Schindler here today and we've met and gone over the contract with legal, we've signed and we're hoping that you will sign that today. We're very excited. The plan is to have this done by the end of July with an open house and ribbon cutting attentively for August 2nd. All of that is weather dependent and all of those variables. We will confirm those plans as we get near to that time. But we're excited about this and I want to note that we have supplies that are being donated. And when you read the amount, that was Sophia Travis money and it's not a lot. She is also donating in kind her time and her talent. This is Gypsy and she is willing to paint the beautiful mural on the Health Services ramp wall.

(Thomas) Thank you so much.

(Schindler) Thank you.

(Thomas) We're excited about it. The renderings were great we loved it. I think the community is really going to like as well.

(Githens) I do have one question. On page 1 of the contract it says 'the MCHD project manager' has that person been appointed or identified?

(Caudill) That would essentially be me. We have staff working on that but ultimately that would be me taking on responsibility and making sure that we're all working together. We will do some priming of that we'll get it power washed and prepped for the painting.

(Jones) I just want to say that I think you did a very nice job of capturing the feeling of Monroe County with the mural. I know it's taken awhile to get here but it's really wonderful to see it actually about to happen.

(Thomas) I think you'll inspire a lot of people, I really do.

(Githens) Thank you Gypsy for coming in today.

(Thomas) Yes it was great to meet you in person.

After call for public comment, motion carried by voice vote.

C. MOVE TO APPROVE: RESOLUTION 2019-09; SHERIFF DEPARTMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY.

FUND NAME: N/A

FUND NUMBER: N/A

AMOUNT: N/A

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

(Cockerill) The Sheriff's department working with the Highway department have determined that 5 vehicles are ready to be moved off their active duty list because the wear and tear that the Sheriff's vehicles get through their course of operation they can no longer be used. This is just declaring them surplus and get them out the door and new ones in.

(Jones) Will these be traded or sold or just scrapped?

(Cockerill) In this resolution they will not be scrapped. They will likely be traded for different versions and it allows that in this resolution provided they do it in the legal manner that they are allowed.

(Thomas) You know one of the things we need to get a good handle on is how we're proceeding with these purchases because they come out of Cum Cap and we don't have a sense

of how much this trading is valued at. These are for vehicles that have already been either purchased or the agreement to purchase has been completed, is that correct?

(Cockerill) We're somewhere in that area.

(Thomas) Ok.

(Cockerill) I mean ideally we would have done this 3 months ago. We're working through those processes.

(Thomas) Yeah, I hear that. It would be really good to get, you know there is a fleet committee which that's for vehicles where there is an indeterminate need, in other words do you need 4x4 drive, do you need a truck, do you need a car, can we do gas or alternative fuel etc. And clearly this is the Sheriff's vehicle and there's a prescribed limit of what we can approve. So it's really not even about fleet, this one is really about just getting and making sure we're on track in our budgets because we don't want to be surprised when something else comes up that we need to pay for it and we find out oh, more money has been spent and we allocated it. I would just like us to get a better handle on it as soon as we can.

(Cockerill) I would assume that the Sheriff has a replacement schedule for their vehicles and so we'll try to get that. We're also going to talk with the Highway Department about some of their bigger vehicles to work out those kind of ideas as well.

(Thomas) A replacement schedule is a good start. And clearly there are times when things come up that you can't predict, but, I don't think we have a copy of that and that's one of the issues. We'll get it then, thank you.

After call for public comment, motion passed by voice vote.

D. MOVE TO APPROVE: RATIFICATION OF THE LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION.

Jones made a motion to approve. Githens seconded.

(Thomas) Did you want to say anything about this Mr. Cockerill?

(Cockerill) I think last weekend's weather is pretty self-evident. During the weekend it was clear that there was an emergency that needed declared. And this is just ratification of that decision.

(Thomas) Right. We do have a specific local code where we've allowed for this provision. Because even as we were trying to grapple with the extent of the damage and things like that, how do we even get together to do something like this? Turns out we didn't have to because of our local ordinance. That gave us a lot of flexibility and it was really helpful in order to get this done. So the reason for this is mainly to ensure that if there is at some point federal funding available for those who suffered losses in the storm, that we would be able to participate in

that funding stream. It's really a way to protect the residents, but also we still have, as Ms. Ridge pointed out, we still have two roads that are closed. So we asked area residents to not go sight-seeing and to please follow the directions of local officials, road crews, deputies, fire departments and be cautious and careful. And let's make sure we stay safe.

(Ridge) I'd just add one thing to that. With all of the rain that we've had, we do go out to our roads that have a general tendency to flood. We put down the high water signs. Please pay attention to those signs. Being out over the weekend in the pouring down rain, we were still seeing cars going through the water. I couldn't even stress more to take those signs seriously. I know the weather for this weekend is heavy rain Saturday through Monday again. Again if you see the high water signs, we don't just typically leave those down, we only put those down when that road is going to flood. It's not a sign that we just leave it down and don't pay attention to it. We do have the crews when we anticipate the roads to flood to go and put the extra signage out. I would encourage the public to really pay attention to those signs.

(Thomas) That's a great point. And the rain is part of this storm event really as far as any damage etc. Definitely everybody stay very aware this weekend and hopefully there won't also be serve storms on top of it.

After call for public comment, motion carried by voice vote.

IX. APPOINTMENTS

- **NONE**

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The 39th annual Arts on the Square will be Saturday, June 22, 2019 on the Courthouse Lawn (rain or shine), from 10 am to 5 pm.
- Food drive to honor Clark Sorensen, long time Monroe County resident and a member of various boards and commission, recently passed away and was passionate about feeding the less fortunate. Collection boxes for non-perishable food items are located in the Courthouse Rotunda.
- Congratulations to Coach Bob Jones and the Edgewood Baseball Team. They played in the Class 3A State Championship game against the 59ers at Victory Field in Indianapolis Tuesday, June 18th. Their overall record was 24-4; conference record 5-0; and ranked 10th in the State. They clearly showed the spirit of Monroe County and Ellettsville. We are very proud of them. In addition to Coach Bob Jones the players were: Luke Hayden, Cage Martin, Jordan Richey, Joe Kido, Drew Walls, Etan Vecrumba, Sam Kido, Coleman Sater, Schuyler Curtis, Blake Deckard, Harrison Pittsford, Logan Salbaugh, Tyler Martoz and Cooper Thacker.
- Community Conversations regarding the Criminal Justice System in Monroe County will be held at the following locations:

- June 19 – 7pm - Convention Center
- June 24 -7pm – Unionville Elementary School
- June 29 – 11am – Ellettsville Fire Department

If you cannot attend these meetings you can submit comments or suggestions or ideas for Monroe County Criminal Justice System via email or drop them off at the Commissioners' office. Information is on our Facebook page and also on our website.

- Board of Commissioners thank the Sheriff Deputies; Dispatchers; Emergency Management; Fire Departments; Territory District; Township and Highway/Public Works Department for their involvement in the serve weather this past weekend. Many crews came in on their day off and this was also Father's Day weekend and we appreciate that.
- Accepting applications for all boards and commissions.
- Next Commissioners' meeting: June 26, 2019, 10am in the Nat U Hill meeting room, 3rd floor of the Courthouse.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The minutes of the June 19, 2019 Board of Commissioners' meeting were approved on June 26, 2019.

Monroe County Commissioners

Ayes:

Nays:

NOT Present

Julie Thomas, President

Julie Thomas, President

Lee Jones
Lee Jones, Vice President

Lee Jones, Vice President

Penny Githens
Penny Githens

Penny Githens

Attest:

Catherine Smith
Catherine Smith, Auditor

Local Disaster Emergency Declaration

Monroe County, Indiana

Authority

Whereas, Monroe County, Indiana has been impacted by a tornado on June 15, 2019, at 7:15 pm;

Now, therefore, the President of the Monroe County Board of Commissioners Julie Thomas, under the authority of Monroe county Code, Chapter 450 Sections 20 and 21, does hereby declare that a local disaster emergency exists in the County and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of this County and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, and resolutions and particularly to Indiana Code 10-14-3-29.


All public offices and employees of Monroe County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives—state and local.

All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Monroe County Emergency Operating Center.


In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 16th day of June, 2019.

Monroe County Board of Commissioners



Julie L. Thomas, President

Attest:



MONROE County Auditor



MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION AGENDA
MONROE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
JUDGE NAT U. HILL III MEETING ROOM
BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA
June 19, 2019

- 1. Rural Broadband Opportunities - Scott Rudd, Director of Broadband Opportunities, Office of Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch.**
- 2. Lisa Ridge – Highway Director**
 - a. Miscellaneous
- 3. Legal Department**
 - a. Miscellaneous
- 4. Angela Purdie – Commissioners’ Administrator**
 - a. Miscellaneous