

COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Brian Baird at 10:00a.m. Ron West and Kevin Walls were present.

INVOCATION

Mr. West led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Baird led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITY OF FRANKLIN – DISCUSSION OF MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR PAUL HAND ROAD AND GRAHAM ROAD ROUNDABOUT

Steve Barnett, Mayor of Franklin, was present to discuss a mutual aid agreement for Paul Hand Road and Graham Road Roundabout. He discussed the plans to improve the truck route along Graham Road through 2025. He noted the Paul Hand Road and Graham Road Roundabout falls into the are of one of the County's TIF Districts. He proposed a mutual aid agreement to split the roundabout costs three ways between the County, City of Franklin, and Town of Whiteland at \$750,000 each.

Mr. Walls agreed with Mayor Barnett and supported the idea to split the costs of the project.

The Commissioners agreed the County Attorneys should discuss the project and plans with the attorneys of the other parties involved in the project.

OPENING OF SEALED BIDS FOR THE JOHNSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE EXTERIOR SITE WORK PROJECT

Adam Gadberry, County Attorney, read the following bids received for the Johnson County Courthouse Exterior Site Work Project:

1. Duke Commercial - \$315,000.00
2. Smock Fansler Corporation - \$402,000.00

Mr. Walls moved to give the bids to Wes Harrison, Engineer, for review. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OPENING OF SEALED BIDS FOR JOHNSON COUNTY PARKS CAMPGROUND EXPANSION PROJECT

Mr. Gadberry also read the only bid received for the Johnson County Parks Campground Expansion Project:

1. CW Sneed Company - \$177,783.00

Mr. Walls moved for Mr. Harrison to review the bid to ensure it is inclusive. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

OPENING OF SEALED BIDS FOR HOOSIER HORSE PARK CAMPGROUND EXPANSION PROJECT

Mr. Gadberry opened the only bid received for the Hoosier Horse Park Campground Expansion Project:
1. CW Sneed Company - \$120,123.00

Mr. Walls moved to give the bid to Mr. Harrison for review. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

FRANKLIN PARKS & RECREATION – APPROVAL TO USE COUNTY PROPERTY FOR CRUISIN’ THE AMP EVENT, JUNE 10TH

Holly Johnston, Franklin Parks & Recreation, was present to request approval to use County property for their annual Cruisin’ the Amp Event on June 10th 2023.

Mr. Baird asked if the parking lot being requested was going to be for the classic cars participating in the event or for public parking.

Mrs. Johnson confirmed the parking lot would be used for the cars participating in the event.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

DISCOVER DOWNTOWN FRANKLIN – APPROVAL TO USE COUNTY PROPERTIES FOR 2023 EVENTS:

- A. Spring Vintage Fest – Northeast Parking Lot on April 29th
- B. Strawberries on the Square – Courthouse Lawn on May 26th
- C. Fall Vintage Fest – Northeast Parking Lot on October 7th
- D. Holiday Lighting – Courthouse Lawn on December 2nd

Jessica Giles, Discover Downtown Franklin, was present to request approval to use County property for the above listed events.

Mr. Baird explained there is scheduled projects occurring during the time of the Strawberries on the Square event which will not allow the Courthouse Lawn to be safe to host the event. He offered the South parking lot would be available for their use.

Mrs. Giles noted the Ampetheatre might also be a location that could be used for the event as well.

Discussion was held regarding the plans for the Vintage Festivals and the use of the Northeast parking lot.

Mr. walls moved to approve the requests and appoint Mr. Baird as the liason to help work out the specific areas closer to the event times. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

- A. Public Safety Communication

1. Proclamation of 2023 Public Safety Telecommunicator Week April 9th thru April 15th, 2023

Heath Brant, 911 Director, read the Proclamation of 2023 Public Safety Telecommunicator Week for April 9th thru April 15th, 2023.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the proclamation as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

B. Health

1. Approval to Apply for CDC Overdose Data to Action Grant

Betsy Swearingen, Director, was present to request approval to apply for a new grant. She noted this would be the first Federal Grant the department has applied for. She stated the plans for the funds would be used for recovery following an overdose to provide resources for those affected.

Mr. West moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

C. Parks

1. Approval of Ramsey Pyrotechnics Agreement for the Sparks in the Park Event

Kevin Leonard, Superintendent, was present to request approval of an annual contractual agreement with Ramsey Pyrotechnics Agreement for the Sparks in the Park Event.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request, pending legal. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

D. Planning & Zoning

~~**1. Approval of Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. Contract for Deerfield Section 1**~~

~~**2. Approval of Patriot Engineering & Environmental, Inc. Contract for Berry Chase Section 1**~~

Mr. Baird noted these items have been removed from the agenda.

E. Emergency Management

1. Approval to Increase Credit Card Limit for Purchase of Safety Barriers

Stephanie Sichting, Director, was present to request approval to increase the department's credit card limit for purchase of 234 safety barriers for the County.

Discussion was held regarding the delivery process and location for storage of the barriers when not in use.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Mr. Walls moved to discuss extending the State of Emergency to align with the State of Indiana following the disaster that occurred in Johnson County. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

F. Court Services

1. Approval of Integrity Steel Works Contract for Juvenile Detention Center

Kristie Bruther, Director, was present to request approval of a contract with Integrity Steel Works for repairs on the security doors. She noted this contract would cost \$5600 and the company currently has a contract with the Jail so they are familiar with the County. She noted this cost would cover having all 70 doors looked at and repairing the 6 doors that currently have issues.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

G. Highway

1. Approval to Travel and Attend 2023 CarteGraph Cartecon Conference, April 30th thru May 5th, in Arlington, Texas

Luke Mastin, Highway Supervisor, was present to request approval to attend the training conference for the work management software. He noted he would be the only one attending.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

2. 2023 Material Bid Award Recommendations and Contract Execution

Mr. Mastin reviewed the recommendations based off annual material bids for the 2023 Material Bid Award and Contract Executions.

Mr. West moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

3. Award Recommendation and Request to Begin Contract Negotiations for 2024-2027 Countywide Bridge Inspections

Mr. Mastin requested approval to begin contract negotiations with Butler Fairman & Seufert, Inc. for the 2024-2027 Countywide Bridge Inspections set to begin in July 2024.

Mr. Walls moved to approve the request as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

H. Board of Commissioners

1. Approval of RDC Annual Report

Mr. Walls moved to approve the report as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2. Ordinance 2023-O-7: An Ordinance Establishing the Phelps Charitable Fund (4113)

Mr. Walls moved to approve Ordinance 2023-O-7 as presented. Mr. West seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Claims

Mr. West moved to approve the claims as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Commissioners' Minutes

3/24/2023 – ARPA Committee Meeting

3/27/2023 – Special Meeting

3/27/2023 – Regular Meeting

Mr. West made a motion to approve the Commissioners' minutes as presented. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which unanimously carried.

Public Comment – *(limited to 5 minutes per person, please)*

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. West moved to adjourn. Mr. Walls seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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Kevin Walls



Ron West

Attest:

Elizabeth A. Alvey
Auditor

