

COMMISSIONERS MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 21, 2021 9:00 AM

ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS:	Rick Woodall, President Thomas Helmer, Vice President David Berry
ATTORNEY:	
AUDITOR:	Evelyn Williams, Chief Deputy Auditor
COUNCIL:	Larry Parker Phillip Gick
AUDIENCE:	13 Individuals

The Putnam County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on June 21, 2021, at 9:00 AM at the Putnam County Courthouse. Rick Woodall opened the meeting and the pledge to the flag was given.

THE CASTLE FILM PROJECT

Beth Benedix, member of non-profit organization The Castle, presented the Commissioners with a proposal for a donation to a film project they are conducting that partner with local schools for higher learning through economic and community development. The organization is looking for a \$15,000 donation to aid in the project. Cathy Clodfelter, President for the Board of Family Support Services, discussed how important it is to have well trained teachers. The Castle helps teachers learn how to reach their students. The documentary will focus on rural environment and education. Rick Woodall stated that the Commissioners would do research on funding possibilities, and they will approach the subject at the July 19th meeting.

EMS CREDIT CARD LIMIT

Kelly Russ, EMS Director, was present to ask the Commissioners to increase the departments credit card limit from \$1,400 to \$3,000. They have had several instances where they have had to use their personal credit cards to cover repairs and maintenance for the ambulances. Rick Woodall made a motion to approve the increase. Thomas Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Russ gave several updates including the delivery of a new ambulance. It has already made several runs. The EMS Building renovations are complete and EMS is servicing Lincoln Park full time again.

BUDGET TECH ASST. CONTRACT

The Commissioners were presented with a contract between the County and Jacque Clements with AIC to assist in the upcoming budget process. Phillip Gick and Larry Parker, both County Councilman, gave the Councils input regarding how big of a help Mrs. Clements is in the budget process. David Berry made a motion to approve. Thomas Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MORRISON PROPERTY

Don Richards stated how upset he is with the nonprogress of the Morrison property cleanup. He stated that this has been dragged out since 2013. Rick Woodall stated that he was told by Trudy Selvia that she has made several attempts to reach out to Morrison's attorney. There have been no replies. She will be setting a date with the court to do a site visit so things will hopefully move forward.

HIGHWAY

Brenda Turner with the Highway Department was present to have a previously approved contract signed by the Commissioners for the Community Crossing grant. She stated the workers are currently working on chip and seal of roads.

READI PROGRAM AND PARTNERSHIP

Rick Woodall made discussion on the READI Grant Program and stated a resolution was part of the process and includes many projects. The resolution would be a partnership with Boone County, Morgan County and Hendricks County, knowing the partnering counties may change.

Discussion was made. Rick Woodall made a motion to approve the resolution. David Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY INSURANCE

Rick Woodall stated that the county health insurance policy would be increasing by \$40,000 a month. Discussion would need to be made on where to take the funding from. He also stated that the Commissioners are looking to increase the county employee life insurance policies. They are currently only \$10,000 for the employee only. He state with open enrollment already here it more than likely will have to wait for next year.

CLAIMS

June 10, 2021 – David Berry made the motion to approve. Rick Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

June 17, 2021 – Tom Helmer made the motion to approve. Rick Woodall seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

June 21, 2021 – Rick Woodall made the motion to approve. Tom Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

PAYROLL

June 18, 2021 –Rick Woodall made the motion to approve. Dave Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

June 7, 2021 – Rick Woodall made the motion to approve. David Berry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

MAIL

The Board of Commissioners acknowledged their mail.

ADJOURN

Dave Berry made the motion to adjourn. Thomas Helmer seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Rick Woodall, President

Dave Berry

Tom Helmer, Vice President

Attest: Auditor's Office