

Proceedings of the Regular Meeting

Clark County

July 16, 2021

The regular meeting of the County Board met July 16, 2021 at 8:00 A.M. and was called to Order by Chairman Rex Goble. County Clerk Laura Lee led the pledge of allegiance. Sheriff Bill Brown led the meeting with a prayer.

ROLL CALL	8:00 A.M.	
Rex Goble	District #1	
Brandon Burkybile	District #2	
Jim Bolin	District #3	
Randy Stephens	District #4	
Susan Guinnip	District #5	
Todd Kuhn	District #6	absent
Mike Parsons	District #7	

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to approve the minutes of the June, 2021 Regular Board Meeting. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons to approve the General Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip to approve the County Highway Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Highway Discussion: Dallas Richardson reported on the HSIP Clarksville Road/ Angling Road – Road Closure. Dallas said that a portion of the road will be closed for 45 to 60 days due to a culvert being torn out. Signs and message boards have been put up to alert the public of the closure.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip voting to Approve Resolution to execute the Engineering Services Agreement for Professional services for HSIP Construction Staking & Inspection with Francis and Associates. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted "aye". Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Highway Discussion continued: Dallas reported that the Hogue town – 400th Road project has been delayed due to all the rain the county has been receiving. Richardson stated that they have tried pumping the water away from the area, but have been having lots of issues doing so. That project is on hold currently until drier weather. The same contractor has moved his resources over to work on the Angling Road project. The West of Westfield - Overlay project has the widening completed. Overlay should be done the middle of August. Construction should begin next year on the Wabash Township-Livingston box culvert according to the consultant. Plans should be submitted within the next few weeks. There has not been a lot of progress on the low water crossing. Dallas negotiated with Ameren, on the Road Damage Agreement. Ameren agreed to pay the county \$400,801.00 towards road damage done during the installation of their new transmission lines. There will be a lot of improvement done out there, the north end especially will be getting a lot of blacktop and patching done. This should start next week. The county did receive an estimated amount of \$50,000 that can

go towards the low water crossing project. Prep work is being done currently on the Weaver Road Overlay. Plans have been submitted for the overlay portion of it. Several pipes have been replaced and a lot of ditching has been done as well. Hopefully the overlay part of this project will be happening soon. The deck on the Auburn Township covered bridge is starting to rot out on both ends where the water sits underneath of it. Dallas is going to go ahead and use Township Bridge Program money for this project. This is an 80/20 split. The County is to pay 10%, Township will pay 10% and 80% is grant state fund money. The Township may not be able to pay their portion right now. Dallas wants to go ahead and get this project started and hopefully the township can start saving money to pay. Dallas asked the board to approve Resolution to execute the Engineering Services Agreement for Bridge Deck Rehabilitation for Auburn Structure #012-3321.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Mike Parsons voting to approve Resolution to execute the Engineering Services Agreement for Bridge Deck Rehabilitation for Auburn Structure #012-3321. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

Highway Discussion continued: Richardson reported that a culvert on the River Road is too short and rusted out. This culvert needs to be replaced. The county has received some rebuild money that will be used to do this project. Dallas is asking the County Board to approve a Resolution for Deck repair – Engineering Agreement River Road – Culvert.

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Susan Guinnip to accept all Office Reports for June, 2021. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

New Business:

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Brandon Burkybile to accept the Approval to increase Ambulance stand-by pay from \$2.00 to \$5.00 effective immediately and to hire the same collection agency that our billing agency utilizes. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Jim Bolin to Approval to increase Ambulance Coordinator salary for Jason Wimbley to \$33,731.32 annually. The increase in salary is due to Jason covering Martinsville and Casey as the Coordinator. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Public Comments: Warren LeFever spoke to the board regarding 1800th Road, where the Sportsman Club is located. LeFever said the road is bad on the north side of 40. It has always been a dirt and gravel road. There are some nice new houses down that road. Warren said the road needs to be fixed. Part of the road washed out awhile back when we received a torrential amount of rain at one time. LeFever also mentioned that the sheriff and police department also use this road as well. The Sportsman Club has 260 plus members that drive up and down that road. Dallas Richardson spoke with Ernie Garwood who runs the Sportsman Club and gave him several ideas. Dallas told Ernie he would pass the word onto Mike Smallwood, the Highway Commissioner for Wabash Township. Richardson said that unfortunately the townships do not have enough money to fix everything at one time. Mike Smallwood will have to prioritize projects due to importance.

Old Business:

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to Approve Second Amendment Preservation Act 2021. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members

present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

Motion by Jim Bolin and second by Susan Guinnip to Approve Farnsworth Contract Feasibility Study re: Clark County Bike Trail. Right of Ways that are being sought are State owned. There is no vision of having to purchase Right of Ways. Dallas Richardson stated that the only cost would be for Plats. Ownership by the County is the ideal situation or the State could lease to County for 100 years. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

Motion by Brandon Burkybile and second by Susan Guinnip to Purchase of Dodge Durango From Kansas Highway Patrol, Instead of J&K Mitchell (due to not being in stock and would take over a year to receive). The idea is that this would be used as a chase vehicle. Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. (See attached).

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Randy Stephens to make the following re-appointments to the Clark County Housing Authority Board: Don Maloney – this is a 1 year term and will expire on 8/1/2022. Tony Williams – this is a 5 year term and will expire on 8/1/2026. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Jim Bolin to re-appoint Randell Smith to the North Fork Conservancy District Board. This is a 5 year term and will expire on 8/21/2026. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Mike Parsons to Appoint Keith Crouch to fill the 911 vacancy due to the death of Sonja Prevo. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Committee Reports: Rex Goble has spoken to Ben Lueken regarding Ambulance Service in Clark County. The Board will be having a Special Ambulance Board meeting with Ben Lueken and Marcie to discuss feasibility of supporting a full time ambulance service. The meeting will be either August 4th or 5th due to Ben Lueken’s availability to be able to meet with the county board.

Motion by Randy Stephens and second by Mike Parsons to approve Preceding Bills. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye” with the exception of District 6 Board Member Todd Kuhn who abstained. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Mike Parsons and second by Susan Guinnip to approve One Day and Mileage Claims. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted.

Motion by Susan Guinnip and second by Mike Parsons that the meeting be adjourned until August 20, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. The Chairman put the question and upon the roll being taken all members present voted “aye”. Whereupon the Chairman declared the motion adopted. The meeting adjourned at 8:39 a.m.

IN ATTENDANCE: Nancy Macey - Clark County Treasurer’s Office; Lisa Richey - Supervisor of Assessments; Loretta Nelson - Clark County Deputy Clerk; Bill Brown - Clark County Sheriff; Dallas

Richardson– Highway Department; Ami Shaw - Circuit Clerk; Kyle Hutson – States Attorney; Dan Kibler – Marshall Advocate; Warren LeFever - Marshall Alderman; Jason Wimbley – Clark County Ambulance Service; Peggy Mills.