

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MINUTES – May 18, 2021**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. as was duly advertised. Commissioners in attendance were Thomas J Hauser, Randy Kleaving and Gregg Jarboe. There was no News Representative or County Attorney attending. Administrator Teresa Kanneberg and Sheriff Alan Malone were in attendance.

**PAYROLL**

County Auditor Pam Goffinet presented the payroll claim docket for payroll that was distributed on May 10, 2021 for \$149,077.16 and Overtime Pay for \$2,801.70. Randy made the motion to approve the payroll docket, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of March 1, 2021 and March 16, 2021 had been mailed to the Commissioners for their review. With no changes being made, Gregg made the motion to approve the sets of minutes as written, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

**AGREEMENT – GIS LIMITED USE – SPENCER COUNTY EMS**

Auditor Pam Goffinet informed the Commissioners that an agreement for use of our GIS data was filed by the Spencer County EMS. They said they periodically respond to calls in Perry County and are interested in obtaining Perry County GIS layers in exchange for the same Spencer County GIS layers to aid in mutual public safety response between the two Counties. Since this is a mutual data exchange, there is no fee associated with it, or any additional charge from WTH to set up the GIS data exchange. Randy said this is a good idea. Randy made the motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**SPEEDING IN TOWN OF ROME, IN.**

Resident Charles Little came before the Commissioners to discuss the situation of speeding in the Town of Rome. He said he has talked to Tom about this. It is a bad spot. Over the weekend, he commented that a 10-year-old almost was hit. He said there is around 30 people which is no big population issue. There are lots of kids in the summer time with campers. Sometimes in the summer there could be 150 to 200 people. The speed limit is 30 to 40 mph and cars are running 50 to 60 mph. Charles said the winter time is not a problem. He wondered about putting in speed bumps and then take them out in the winter. Charles said during the Dogwood Festival, there are people doing burn outs all the way to the river. He said the Sheriff is doing a good job having someone to patrol 3 to 4 times a night. We are just asking for bumps to be put in. All the residents are in favor. They don't want to see anyone get hurt.

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, commented that speed bumps are only in parking lots. It is a liability for them to be in the road for bicycles, side by sides, and others. Attorney Chris Goffinet was in agreement with this. Charles said the liability goes both ways. Tom said they would need to clear with INDOT to having the speed bumps. Steve said we can put slow signs up at 35 mph. Charles said it is not the residents doing it, it is other people that come there temporarily. Steve said we need to talk to Chris about it. Tom commented that more signage can be done. Tom said they will talk to Chris and look into it further. Charles said the drivers are not paying attention to any signs. Steve said if we change the speed limit, then an ordinance has to be done. Gregg said there is the signage at the Health Department that is used for vaccine clinics and maybe we can use it out there temporarily. It could show their speed. We could see if it can help. Charles said it could be put in his yard. Sheriff Malone commented that mostly it is not the speed, it is how they are driving. Tom said we will see what else we can do after talking with Chris.

**QUOTES – IMPROVEMENS TO INDUSTRIAL PARK SOUTH ENTRANCE ROAD**

Alvin Evans with PCDC informed the Commissioners that they received 4 quotes on the improvements to the Industrial Park South Entrance Road (ATTC Way) project located west of SR 37 north of Tell City just south of the 4-mile marker. They are:

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| 1. C & R Construction | \$67,770.00 |
| 2. E & B Paving       | \$65,300.00 |

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| 3. Cal-Car Paving     | \$75,575.00 |
| 4. J.H. Rudolph & Co. | \$78,027.00 |

Alvin said the pricing includes the work to accomplish the resurfacing of the entire paved entrance road from the west end to the SR 37 turn lane. The width shall be from edge to edge and curb gutter pan to curb gutter pan. At west end it will be to old joint on north side. The striping is included in the quotes. He said the work is to be completed by Labor Day 2021. ATTC is responsible for the approaches. There was talk on seeing when to get the street paved but it was said it was not in bad shape. Randy made the motion to accept the quote of E & B paving for \$65,300.00 because they were the lowest bid, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

The Commissioners had before them an additional appropriation not to exceed \$67,000.00 from the Special EDIT fund to do the improvements to the Industrial Park South Entrance Road. Randy made the motion to approve the additional, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor Goffinet informed the Commissioners that someone needs to be at the Council meeting to get a motion of intent for approval of this additional for June because it is too late to go before them for the May meeting.

**RIVERVIEW INDUSTRIAL PARK SOUTH BUILDING PAD – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMIN. GRANT APPLICATION**

Alvin explained that they are applying for an Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant for the construction of the building pad at the Riverview Industrial Park South area. Riverview Industrial Park is home to Waupaca Foundry, Inc Plant #5, Webb Wheel truck trailer wheel division, a Perry County Port Authority rail yard and several smaller service companies housed with the Waupaca facility. The Park consists of 50 acres of undeveloped property on which the plan is to develop two large building pads for the intent to improve the ability of Perry County to locate industry to strengthen its current industry by reducing logistic costs which in turn will improve the environment. Perry County has constructed Switzer Road to improve access and safety for residents and access to the undeveloped 50 acres. The Park also has had utility work done to prepare for the construction of the two building pads for future tenants of the industrial park. Alvin said the project could be around 3 million which includes the engineering. He said depending on the fund, it could be 50/50 grant. The intent now is to go ahead with the project and the Perry County Development Corporation (PCDC) will do the match from internal funds. Alvin explained a map he showed to the Commissioners of where the pad will be. Gregg asked if PCDC is going to pay for the match, how will you get reimbursed. Alvin said hopefully repay with TIF funds. Gregg said with the new TIF.

Alvin said the process is:

1. Commissioners approve the project
2. Next the Redevelopment Authority needs to approve
3. Then discussed with the Redevelopment Commission

Alvin said he wants to have the application submitted. Gregg commented that if the grant is approved today and we receive the grant, what about the project going down the road. Alvin said the project can be stopped anytime. Gregg then asked is there is any rush. Alvin replied that the EDA has money now. Gregg said he does not want to commit the RDC. Alvin said hopefully everything is lined up for a go and get the application submitted as quickly as possible. Randy commented that this has been a long-range plan. Alvin said this was approved back in 2013. Gregg commented that this has not gone to the RDC, and he doesn't want to tie the hands of the RDC. Alvin commented that this was a 2013 project and was already approved by the RDC. He said any future bonds, you have to go through the process. Gregg said the key is that it can be stopped anytime. Alvin informed them that they are only approving the application now. This is the only option available to do this. Gregg said that we are not committing any money. Randy said this is for the future.

Alvin said the TIF already exists, 2015-2016. He said there is no approval and no property taxes at this time. He also said the timeline of the TIF has not started yet until the project locates there. PCDC holds the debt on this. Gregg made the motion to go ahead and prepare the application, but require the RDC to meet before it is submitted so they have input on it before it is mailed. Randy said to look at the process, the Commissioners approve first then the RDC has discussion. Gregg said he is trying to keep everyone informed. We all work together. He is asking for communication before committing to the application. Tom asked if there is any effect if we get the grant and turn it down. Alvin said he has been told two different ways whether it would or not. Randy said we are trying to create jobs. Have more income tax money. TIF collects any dollars only if new improvements are there. Gregg said TIF is neither bad or good. It is

how it is used. It can be a good tool. Randy seconded Gregg's motion for the application. Motion carried 3-0.

**ENGINEERING AGREEMENT – AMENDMENT #1 – RIVER ROAD PHASE 2**

Alvin informed the Commissioners that Lochmueller Group submitted an amendment to the agreement for the River Road Phase 2 project. The amendment reduces the scope of the sanitary sewer design and increases the scope of the geotechnical investigation. This moves money around for each design and giving an overall reduction of the contract of \$21,060.00. He said the Cannelton sewer line runs through there and the project was to move the existing line. Now it is not going to happen and more Geotech work will be done. Gregg made the motion to approve the amendment, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

**TRANSFER – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the Commissioners with a transfer request of \$170,855.27 to finish getting the money ready for our 25% match of the Community Crossings Grant. Randy made the motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**BRIDGE INSPECTION REPORT OF 2021**

Steve said this agreement with the bridge inspection was brought up at the last Commissioner meeting. The Commissioners wanted time to look it over before approving it. Steve said any bridge that is over 20 feet is the responsibility of the County. Gregg said he didn't realize the ones in the city were the County's also. Steve informed them that there are no new ones on the list. Randy approved the agreement, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**AGREEMENT – LOCAL ROADS AND BRIDGES MATCHING GRANT W/INDOT (COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT)**

Steve also presented the Commissioners with the Local Roads and Bridges Matching Grant agreement for their signature. He informed them that County Attorney Chris Goffinet reviewed the agreement and found it to be in order. It is a standard agreement. Steve said it needs to be signed in blue ink. Gregg made the motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF BID PACKAGES – COMMUNITY CROSSINGS MATCHING GRANT 2021-1 PROJECTS AND PROJECTS FUNDED FROM LIT**

The Commissioners had copies of the bid packages mailed to them for their review on the different projects submitted:

1. CCG 2021-1 projects – Bituminous surfacing of portions of Aster Road, Tobinsport/River Forest Road, Millstone Road, Tobinsport Road & Highwater Road.
2. LIT projects – Bituminous surfacing of gravel section of Millstone Road, from end of pavement to Highwater Road, continuing North to SR 66; gravel section of Tobinsport Road, from end of pavement for 1.83 miles; gravel section of River Forest Road, from end of pavement to Highwater Road

Randy made the motion to approve both bid packages of the projects, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0.

**BOARD APPOINTMENT – REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

The Commissioners had several applicants to apply for the Redevelopment Commission appointment. This is finishing the term of Bill Amos who recently resigned from the position. The applicants are:

1. Sherri Flynn
2. Kelli Harding
3. Jeremy Ramsey
4. Carol Hagedorn
5. Keith Huck

Gregg mentioned that three of the applicants applied both times for this position which should mean something. They were the three ladies. This speaks volumes to apply both times. Tom said that Keith Huck also applied both times. Tom commented that it used

to be the same people apply, that is why we put a notice out for six weeks. Randy made the motion to appoint Carol Hagedorn, seconded by Gregg. Motion carried 3-0. They were all good applicants that applied.

**COUNTY CAR – CHEVY TAHOE – MAINTENANCE NEEDED**

Park & Recreation Director and Maintenance Supervisor, Greg Hendershot, came before the Commissioners to talk about the Chevy Tahoe and the maintenance needed on it. He said according to Kelly Blue Book the Tahoe is worth \$17,000.00. He has gotten two estimates to fix it and they are:

1. Jason Linne Auto - \$4500.00
2. Uebelhor & Sons - \$6100.00

Steve Hauser said the rear end needs replaced along with the transmission. He said that antifreeze got into the transmission. Gregg made the motion for an additional appropriation for \$4500.00, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0. Administrator Teresa Kanneberg informed the Commissioners that they just had a battery to go out in the Impala and the line item is in the red. It was said to amend the motion to \$5,000.00. Tom said the Tahoe is mostly used by the Assessor’s office and is a good vehicle. Gregg said we are asking the Council to put money in line item to pay out of. We need to ask the Council for a motion of intent on this also.

Teresa announced the next meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2021. There is also a meeting tonight at 7:00 p.m. at the Perry Central High School.

The meeting ended in open session at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

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Thomas J Hauser  
President

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Randy Kleaving

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Gregg Jarboe

*Minutes prepared by:  
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