

MAY 6, 2024

REGULAR SESSION

PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Commissioners met in regular session Monday May 6, 2024 6:00PM at the Pulaski County Highway Department lobby. Commissioners present were Charles Mellon, Michael McClure, Maurice Loehmer with County Auditor Laura Wheeler and County Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also present were Judge Mary Welker, Megan Galbreath, Stephanie Wheeler, Kaye Beall, Stacy Nichols, Sam Nicholas, Jay Anglim, Caleb Kistler, Dave Olds, Daryn Wilder, Connie Ehrlich, Dan Frain, Jacki Frain, Jennifer Knebel, and Chris Schramm.

President Mellon opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: COUNTY HIGHWAY

Bridge plans from Jeff Larrison of United Consulting presented. These plans replace bridge #249 on 250S (Kewanna Blacktop). A designated signee is also needed for Community Crossing CCMG 2024. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to move forward and appoint Charles Mellon as the designated signee, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF PULASKI COUNTY

Five listening sessions planned for Winamac, Francesville, Star City, Medaryville, and Monterey in May and June 2024. Each session will use the same format but topics will be based on public comments. A Planning Grant from Lily Foundation used to cover the costs.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve Claims and Payroll #9, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve April 8, 2024 Special Session minutes and April 15, 2024 regular session minutes as written, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2024-06 for public transit funding through KIRPC presented for approval and signature. Maurice Loehmer made a motion to approve the resolution and authorize Charles Mellon to sign, Michael McClure seconded and motion carried unanimously. The resolution reads as follows:

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 2024-06

Resolution authorizing the filing of a CY2025 application for a grant under Section 5311/5339 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is authorized to make grants to states through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to support capital, operating and feasibility study assistance projects for nonurbanized public transportation systems under Section 5311 of the FTA Act of 1964, as amended.

WHEREAS, the Office of Transit, Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) has been designated by the Governor to make Section 5311/5339 grants for public transportation projects.

WHEREAS, the contract for financial assistance will impose certain obligations upon the applicant, including the provision by it of the local share of project costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY Pulaski County Commissioners:

1. That Christine Chapman, Board Chairman of KIRPC, and on behalf of Pulaski County Commissioners is authorized to make the necessary certifications and assurances and be empowered to enter into an agreement with INDOT for the provision of rural public transportation services within Pulaski, Jasper, Newton, Starke, Counties of Indiana.
2. That Pulaski County Commissioners has designated the following non-profit organizations to coordinate and provide rural public transit services within Pulaski County as well as each regionalized county service area that may be identified above:
 - a. Pulaski County Human Services, Inc.
 - b. Jasper County Community Services, Inc.
 - c. Newton County Human Services, Inc.
 - d. Starke County Community Services, Inc.
3. That Christine Chapman, Board Chairman of KIRPC, is authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of Pulaski County Commissioners with INDOT to aid in the financing of transit assistance projects pursuant to Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act, as amended.
4. That Christine Chapman, Board Chairman of KIRPC, is authorized to furnish such additional information as INDOT may require in connection with the application.
5. That Christine Chapman, Board Chairman of KIRPC, is authorized to execute a 5311/5339 grant contract agreement on behalf of Pulaski County Commissioners.

community service done through the county discussed. Auditor is to contact Novotny regarding any coverage under Workers Comp and General Liability.

Boy Scout Troop #229 thanked the Commissioners for having an open forum. Boy Scouts Jay Anglim and Caleb Kistler, who are working on their merit badges were in attendance. Service projects and Eagle Scout projects explained. The Boy Scout contacts are Stacey Nichols or Scout Master Steve McKinney.

Political signs on County property on day of election discussed. Commissioners said status quo. Signs are allowed as long as they are 50’ away from building entrance.

Polling security questioned and briefly discussed. Chris Schramm explained the sheriff department’s procedures. The Election Board is in charge of election security.

With no other business to discuss, Michael McClure made a motion to adjourn at 6:34pm, Maurice Loehmer seconded and motion carried unanimously.

Approved and signed this 20th day of May 2024 by the PULASKI COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

CHARLES MELLON

MAURICE LOEHMER

MICHAEL MCCLURE

ATTEST: _____

LAURA WHEELER, AUDITOR, PULASKI COUNTY, IN