

**PORTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2016
1:00 P.M.**

(The entire meeting is available to watch on the Porter County website.)

The regular meeting of the Porter County Board of Commissioners convened at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 in the Commissioners' Chambers of the Administration Center.

Those present were: Commissioners John Evans, Laura Blaney, Jeff Good, County Attorney Scott McClure; Administrative Assistant Rhonda Young and Recording Secretary Autumn Joiner.

Call to Order/Pledge

Approval of Minutes – July 21st, 2015, March 15th and April 5th, 2016

Com. Blaney moved to approve the July 21st, 2015, March 15th and April 5th, 2016 minutes, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Payroll – May 31st and June 13th, 2016

Com. Blaney moved to approve the payroll of May 31st and June 13th 2016, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Claims – May 19th and May 26th and June 9th, 2016

Com. Good moved to approve the claims for May 19th and May 26th, 2016, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Release for Request for Proposals for Financial/Payroll Software

Ms. Lippens, At the last meeting I believe there was a request by the Commissioners to have a committee formed with the Auditor, Treasurer's, H.R. and myself. We have met twice we did develop the specifications for the new software as is in the RFP that we're asking to release today. We have included some information that may or may not be responded to by the vendors and we're expecting that. So we did have a sheet that we're asking all of the vendors to respond a yes or a no to each of the items that we had included. Some of the items are wish some of the items are need and that way we can evaluate if they have those items already or not or if they are willing to develop them for us. The committee feels that the RFP is ready to be released. We're looking for a quick return at the meeting at the beginning of July and then we'll have a three week period of vendors that look promising to come and do actual in-depth demos with the departments so that they can really take a look at what the software does. What it is capable of and make sure that all of their questions are answered before recommendation is made.

Com. Evans, I might add it's really nice to have working relationship with those offices that are involved with this software because it's been for a long time in one aspect worked fine and somebody else's office you couldn't even get on. It's been a constant source of problems for each of the offices so I'm glad everybody is working together. The need is really really out there so I'm thinking we can solve a lot of problems with this. Any questions?

Com. Blaney moved to approve, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Com. Evans, You mentioned bringing it to us at the next monthly meeting. We're only going to meet once in July instead of the first and third Tuesday we will meet on July 12th.

Ms. Lippens, And with your permission I'll make that change in the RFP since we are noting the single meeting and then adjust it.

Com. Evans, It gives them an extra week for their proposals. Thank you very much.

Announcement of Scot MacDonald as Permanent Director for the Porter County Opera House

Com. Blaney moved to approve Scot MacDonald the permanent Director of the Opera House, he has been interim for a few months now and he is doing a fantastic job. I would like to make him the permanent Director, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Appointment to the Library Board of Trustees

Com. Blaney, I would like to nominate Kay Frataccia, she is a former educator. I served with her on some other boards. She is hard worker.

Com. Evans, Nomination of Kay Frataccia. Any other nominations?

Com. Good, I nominate Thomas Neuffer who is a sitting board person now.

Com. Evans, All those in favor of Kay Frataccia signify by saying "I".

Com. Blaney, "I".

Com. Evans, All those in favor of Thomas Neuffer signify by saying "I".

Com. Good, moved to approve Thomas Neuffer to the Library Board of Trustees, Com. Evans seconded, motion carried.

An Ordinance to establish the Grand Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Fund

Atty. McClure, The Sheriff's Department has applied for and I believe has been granted this grant the Grand Residential Substance Abuse Treatment. This is the paperwork the Commissioners need to do and pass to establish the fund to allow the money to have a place to go and then come in and out. This is that documentation to show that we are creating the Grand Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Fund and the Auditor's office has provided the fund number that I've applied to the final document that you will sign, I believe it's 81-21.

Com. Evans, Is this a grant?

Atty. McClure, It is a grant.

Ms. Downing, It's actually a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant Fund.

Com. Evans, Who is going to be the administrator?

Atty. McClure, The Sheriff.

Com. Evans, Okay, as long as we're not doing that part. Any questions?

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Com. Evans, And what is the fund number?

Ms. Downing, 81-21.

ADA Resolution and Title VI

Atty. McClure, We have a resolution that is before everyone that officially appoints our Facilities Director as the ADA Coordinator. It appoints our Human Resource Manager as our Title VI Coordinator and it also directs within the resolution to allow or to direct that this information both for the ADA and for the Title VI be applied to our website so that the public can have access to it easier. Also our meeting notices contain the provision, ours and any department within Porter County Government has the provision at the bottom of their meeting notices that if there is any special needs that need to be taken care of the contact individual and the number and how long in advance to contact so we can get those special requests taken care of. That resolution takes care of that.

Adopt Title VI Plan

Atty. McClure, Then also we have the implementation plan for Title VI updated through today that I would ask for you to approve. Also, which includes the Title VI policy statement and also as part of that motion if you want to make it all in one motion there is an update to the ADA Grievance Policy and to the ADA Policy for County again just to keep this updated with the current federal law. So that would include both of the agenda items. The ADA Resolution Title VI and Adopt Title VI Plan. All of that is contained in those two line items that I just disgust.

Com. Evans, Okay, thank you. Questions?

Com. Good, moved to approve the Title VI and the ADA Resolution, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Mike Jabo, DLZ

Award quote for Animal Shelter offsite roadway

Mr. Jabo, A couple items for you today. The first one you mentioned is the Animal Shelter offsite roadway improvements. I know you're going to take action on the Animal Shelter (Inaudible) so I guess contingent upon that. We did receive quotes for the work. We invited three contractors, two responded. This for the segment of road offsite extending the frontage road North. Olson Construction, Inc. \$45,665.00, Walsh & Kelly, Inc. \$52,500.00 and in my report to you in the letter we asked for quotes, we asked for a lot of information both of them did not respond to all of the information so that is subject to waive any of those requirements. They are reputable contractors. If you decide to waive that or if you want to rebid that is totally up to you, but if you were to all waive those and accept we would recommend Olson Construction for \$45,665.00.

Com. Evans, Is there any reason why the third party that picked up a packet didn't submit a bid?

Mr. Jabo, Everybody is busy this time of the year.

Com. Good, moved to approve Olson Construction, Inc. \$45,665.00 contingent upon receiving an access permit from the State Highway, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

INDOT Right-of-Way Permit Application

Mr. Jabo, One other matter the same time we took quotes for that we also had the offsite sewer and water line extension. I think good judgement is we wait to do that work until after the Fair because it will be disrupted with the Fair, but I would ask that if you only had one meeting in July and the offer expires just after that that you put that on your agenda July 12th and you consider to award that. Back to the extension of the road it is INDOT's we are processing any relinquishment documents. I know the County Attorney has been in communication with the INDOT attorney and I think they've got that resolved. It is still their right-of-way so for us to do the work I reach out to the INDOT local person at the districts here. There are four we agreed that if the County would pursue what is called an INDOT right-of-way permit (Inaudible) permission of what's on their right-of-way. It should be in your packet, I've the originals here for after the meeting for you to sign. If you execute that we will go ahead and submit the INDOT (Inaudible) that will give you permission to start relinquishing (Inaudible).

Atty. McClure, That is correct I have been in contact with the INDOT attorney and they're in the process of cleaning up that frontage road out there as far as the limited access areas. There is one that needs to be closed, there is one that needs to be opened and then we could kind of figure out the rest of it. That is all underway. My understanding actually the paperwork has been drafted and it's gone up the food chain so to speak to get signatures so this would allow us to get the permit to actually do the road work and everything else will kind of fall in place as we move along.

Com. Evans, So should we do this contingent on INDOT's approval?

Atty. McClure, Well this application would give us that permission. That is why the Jeff's motion to accept the paving was contingent upon this being granted.

Com. Evans, Alright.

Com. Good, There was a timing issue and we wanted to make sure we got this done before the Fair, because that is what we discussed with the Fair and we want to follow through with that. We'll just keep plugging away.

Com. Evans, Do we need a motion to that affect?

Atty. McClure, A motion to file that application.

Com. Blaney, moved to approve, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Mr. Jabo, Is there any other regarding the offsite?

Atty. McClure, I think that's it for the offsite at the Animal Shelter.

Porter County Jail Security Project Pay Application #3 and Change Order #1

Mr. Jabo, Porter County Jail Pay Application #3 in the amount of \$139,320.00. I have (Inaudible) here I can leave behind with your administrative assistant. They have submitted much of the work is work that is ordered by the sub-consultant. There is supporting documentation as far as delivery receipts (Inaudible) equipment at their premises while they build the security system. The video portion of the system is probably 85 to 90% complete. Now they are working on the security system which is about a 3 to 4 month process offsite. We recommending that you approve this Payment Application #3 in the amount of \$139,320.00.

Com. Evans, And there will be one more after this?

Mr. Jabo, There might be a few more. We're paying them as they get the work done and I assume subject to your approval of this then the attorney works out the bank a bill of sale.

Atty. McClure, We have those documents also, so if you approve this Rhonda has the documents for you to sign that would take care of that issue and get the payout done.

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Mr. Jabo, Finally is Change Order #1 for the Porter County Jail Security Project consists of four separate quotes from the contractor. I gave you an explanation of each and every one of those. The first one dealt with certain conduits were (Inaudible) full, it was an unforeseen. We'll have to add more conduits to the wall, which is a longer run of conduit. While we were there we felt that the sally cord area was not really fully covered, because when large vehicles come in the cameras get blocked. We want to cover every aspect from the time a person enters and goes through the system. The second one is three cameras that were never there long term evidence room, hallway outside that room and corridor A115. That was at the request of the Sheriff's staff. The third quote was for two additional work stations for the classification investigation's office. They're required to do the changes in work load (Inaudible) reporting, etc. At the request of Commissioner Good we checked with Porter County IT and they found that the price submitted was fair and reasonable and that is also attached to your packet. The last one is a rack mounted switch so they can toggle between things. This is probably an omission when the thing was put up in the instructions. The bottom line is it increases the contract from \$1,062,018.00 to \$1,079,795.76. It's an increase of \$17,777.76.

Com. Good, I think this should give them everything they need out there.

Com. Good, moved to approve Change Order #1 for the Porter County Jail Security Project, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Com. Evans, In light of what's happened in recent days in Orlando I think maybe we ought to revisit the range that the Sheriff's been asking for, because there is no way that you could keep law enforcement on the cutting edge without a facility for training. I think as a body and as a County look at that again and see if there is not a way that we can make this work. It's a really tragic situation that thinks that finances would preclude a response to an incident like the one that happened in Orlando. So I think we need to take another look at that project.

Contingent Approval of Larson-Danielson Contract for Animal Shelter Build

Mr. Kromkowski, Stephen Kromkowski with DLZ. The last time we met we had determined to enter into the next stage with Larson-Danielson. Who submitted the best value proposal and cost price. We have gone through the refinement design, we're at a point now that we are ready to enter into an agreement with them. Clearly it would be pending your legal counsel review and financing, but from an overall refinement of the design it's established the Animal Shelter Advisory Board has reviewed the documents. There was a presentation to them and there was a couple also. They worked through the logistics and some of the fine tuning of the design itself. We're at a point now that it's settled in terms of the design itself and the perimeters are established. So the next action would be to move forward with entering into a contract.

Com. Evans, Scott would you like to give a play by play on how that will proceed?

Atty. McClure, Yes, at this point I think we met Friday afternoon the plans were finalized. We did meet with Larson-Danielson also. Now that everything is done the contract could be drafted. What I would ask the Commissioners to do at this time is to approve the award of the contract to Larson-Danielson for the build of the Animal Shelter contingent upon my final review of the contract document itself and Council funding. Then my hope would be that that contract is reviewed and approved before the Council meeting June 28th. So at that point in time when we're before the Council this has all been completed.

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Com. Blaney, There is something else we need to take care of for our next meeting. We need to figure out the donation. According to Toni we'll have create a fund. Then the Council will have to appropriate it.

Ms. Downing, You'll just have to create a specific sub-fund.

Com. Good, Oh so it would be a sub-fund, okay.

Atty. McClure, Well we can discuss that because there has been some discussion if we want to use the same donation fund or not. We could do a sub-fund, just trying to keep it simple for everyone so we don't get any confusion, because we have the donation fund now for the Animal Shelter that there is money in that is being used for different purposes. We may just do a sub-fund or we may do a new fund.

Ms. Downing, That is your call.

Com. Evans, While we're on that subject and I know the donation was not made for this reason, but I think that the Board of Commissioners and the County Council should certainly recognize the contribution and maybe do naming rights or use the name of the donor in the new Shelter. I think that is only appropriate so.

Com. Blaney, She has not asked for that, but I'm sure she would appreciate it very much.

Com. Evans, I think we should consider that and at our next meeting we can come up with an appropriate title or something.

Atty. McClure, Maybe for the next meeting I'll put together a resolution and we can go from there.

Com. Evans, That sounds good. Thank you Stephen.

Approval of Hospital Principal for Animal Shelter Build

Com. Evans, Now we need to talk about the money for that project that is going to come from the County and the talk has always been about using the money from the Hospital Sale Principal.

Com. Good, moved to approve Hospital Principal for the Animal Shelter build in the amount \$2,250,000.00, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Com. Blaney, And that money comes out of the money that we left in.

Com. Good, Out of the \$10,000,000.00.

Office Holders/Dept. Heads

Matt Stechly – Facilities Director

Paper Supply RFP- 6 month Agreement – Award Quote

Mr. Stechly, What you have before you is paper supply RFP. Whenever we order paper, which is usually on a monthly basis we try to get the best price and order however many cases we need. There is a lot of volatility in the paper industry with new tariff and things that are going on globally. What I did was take this out to bid we're locked into a price for six months. I will do that every six months going forward. We were paying roughly \$30.00 to \$33.00 a case of paper at \$27.00 for the next six months free delivery. This is just a six month agreement.

Atty. McClure, Matt before they make a motion could you just briefly we got one from Kemp's and one from Kramer and Leonard also.

Mr. Stechly, Lewis Paper, Kramer and Leonard and Kemp Office. Lewis Paper was \$27.00 a case.

Com. Good, moved to approve Lewis Paper, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Precision Control Service Agreement – General Services Agreement Precision Control Service Agreement – JDC Service Agreement

Mr. Stechly, Precision Control is just a general services agreement allowing them to do work in our facilities. The Precision Control agreement for the JDC this is for service at the JDC to bring that facility up to par in terms of (Inaudible) controls.

Com. Evans, Is there a cost associated with those?

Mr. Stechly, No it's just a labor, materials (Inaudible) hourly rates. The JDC services agreement is a not to exceed \$119,500.00.

Com. Good, moved to approve the Precision Control General and JDC Service Agreements, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Open Sealed Quotes for Vehicles

Com. Evans, What are we bidding for?

Mr. Stechly, This is for vehicles for the technicians that were hired. We reached out to get the very base models and slightly used (Inaudible).

Com. Evans, We had four bidders, Lake Shore Ford, Bob Rohrman Nissan, Curry Ford of Valparaiso and Southlake Nissan. This one is from Wheels Unlimited it's for a used vehicle for a 2014 with 13,800 miles in the amount of \$20,503.53.

Com. Good, It is 2014 Ford Transit XLT with 13,744 miles.

Com. Evans, New Nissan \$21,811.00 from Nissan of Chesterton. It appears to have many of the same stuff. Southlake Auto Mall 2016 Nissan \$20,884.00 plus documentation fee of \$244.00 if you want a ladder rack add another \$600.00.

Com. Blaney, Is that included on the other one?

Mr. Stechly, I may have to look at these it was supposed include ladder rack and storage.

Com. Evans, It looked as though they did.

Com. Blaney, Did you get this one?

Com. Evans, Oh no I'm sorry. Curry Ford of Valparaiso is quoting a 2016 Transit Connect \$23,390.72 per unit. Do you want to take those under advisement and we can talk about it at our next meeting?

Mr. Stechly, Please.

Open and Award Sealed Bids for Storm-Water Renovation Project 3rd Floor

Com. Evans, It should probably be clear that this is the office that that project is going to house. We have bids from Gariup Construction, Burgland Beyond Building and Gough Construction. Gariup Construction the bid is \$177,000.00. Burgland Construction the bid is \$398,435.00. Gough Construction the bid is \$222,000.00. If you want to take those under advisement and we will do them at our next meeting.

Com. Good, John we're going to review these bids and try to get come around because we want to get this going. This one we would like to award this meeting.

Com. Evans, We will revisit those in a little bit.

Mjr. Gary Gear – Sheriff's Harley-Davidson – Motorcycle Lease Agreement

Com. Evans, You've had motorcycles for a number of years I know and these are to be leased from Harley-Davidson here in Valpo at the cost of \$2,000.00 a year for a one-time payment. The insurance is taken care of on our usual policy with all of the other vehicles. The motor officers that will ride them have been trained.

Sheriff Reynolds, Yes the same ones.

Com. Blaney, Where does this come from?

Ms. Hahn, The funds? We're going to take it out of overweight.

Com. Good, moved to approved, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Sheriff Reynolds, There was something on the agenda before regarding our pension when we came, it's not on there. Are we waiting another month?

Atty. McClure, Yes, and the reason is that we have some funds that came from our special they're calling it Low distribution, but it's really our CEDIT distribution. That may be the funds in which it comes from so we're getting that moved around to where it needs to be. So at that point that might be the place where we're able to actually get the funds. So that was the reason.

Sheriff Reynolds, Okay and I would like to thank you for your comments about the range and what's going on. We're working hard on trying to get something going when it does happen. I know you guys have a lot of stuff going on with the Shelter, but we would really like to get something going as far as even the engineering, but I'm working with Kevin Breitzke on it and trying to keep Com. Good in the loop if something happens. So we can at least get the engineering done, because periodically people come with dirt and they want to give us the dirt so we can't really do anything with the dirt until we have engineering done. I appreciate that.

Sharon Lippens – ITS Director
Microsoft – Agreement for special pricing

Ms. Lippens, This is an agreement it does not bind the County to purchase anything. It's just a memorandum of understanding between us and the State QPA member for this year which is Dell. That we are allowed to purchase Microsoft licensing via office products or operating system at the State QPA price. In order to go forward in getting that pricing we need to sign this memorandum of understanding and once that is done any decision can be made whether to purchase or not.

Com. Blaney, moved to approved, Com. Good seconded, motion carried.

Atty. McClure, Just so everybody in the audience knows what the State program is they basically have already bid it. Picked a preferred vendor based upon their bidding. They're following the same statutes we are so as long as they have another governmental entities done within Indiana we can rely upon that's why we are able to do something like this and obviously probably get better pricing overall from the State.

Ms. Lippens, That is correct because the State leverages its own resources plus the assumed resources of other government offices that will be taking part. So the vendor is more incentivized to give out lower pricing.

Com. Evans, And it's not the only commodity that the State deals in they do it for cars and many other objects. Thank you very much.

CJ Wittmer – 911 Director
Smart 911 and Rave Alert Products – Quote

Mr. Wittmer, Back in 2011 Smart 911 was purchased by the County to enhance information that we gather when someone dials 911 from a cell phone. At that time we entered into a five year maintenance agreement for Smart 911 which comes to a head this year for renewal. Last year in June we purchased Rave Alert piece knowing that in 2016 we would be back here for renewing Smart 911 we decided to just enter into a one year agreement with Rave Alert so that we could sync Smart 911 and Rave Alert maintenance agreements to come to the table once to pay the same company for the two different products or theirs that we have. Initially we were quoted the five year, hopefully you have in front of you the three year.

Atty. McClure, In their packet they have the five year, but I reached out to C.J. he gave us all of the other contracts he has, he got a one year quote, a three quote. The three year quote is the same dollar amount per year as the five year quote and that kind of puts us in a little bit better position with some of the other contracts. At this point to continue along with the idea of sinking up the maintenance contracts that 911 has I would recommend that we do the three year contract, it's the same yearly amount as the five year at this point. Again it helps us kind of get some of those things synced up for 911.

Com. Good, I think what this also does for us too it sort of starts moving towards an event period from a timing standpoint that we can take a look at all of the technology everything that is in 911. So what this is by the three year we will mirror everything up and we'll be ready the entire system at that point, because as we know technology passes us all up very quickly. So when it's 911 we want to make sure that we're out in front of it.

Mr. Wittmer, And with that packet that I just handed you it's a visual indicator of usage of the system for Rave Alert. The alerting piece that we added last year, you see we sent quite a number of messages year to date that with the number of opt in users on the system we've come to about 110,000 messages year to date. I don't know if you look at that second page the cost per message if you wanted to look at how much each of those 110,000 messages we've sent out versus the maintenance agreement that we're going to enter into it breaks it down to about \$.24 a message. We're only half way through this year.

Com. Blaney, Is there anything being done to increase the number of people who have opted in?

Mr. Wittmer, Actually, just yesterday I spoke with a local business here on Porter County that is willing to advertise a little bit for us and advertise more Smart 911 actual than the Rave Alert, but the sign up process happens at the exact same website as the other. So now when you sign up for Smart 911 there is also the piece about Rave Alert. If I was just going there to sign up for alerts there is also the same information as Smart 911. The exact same log in and everything on the citizen side. Believe it or not we were contacted by Valley Fire Protection. It was located in Lake County, they're really interested in hearing about Smart 911 at their open house later this year. They've asked us to have a booth. That may be an opportunity that has a lot of folks from Porter County that go up there as they've indicated to me. We're also going to have our typical tent out at the Fair this year where we're handing out wrist bands with everybody that we speak with at that event. We're talking about both of these products and there is another venue, call it an open house I guess where we've been invited to talk about Smart 911. So we're getting out there as much as we can.

Com. Evans, You know I hate to keep go back to what happened in Orlando, but if people took advantage of this program it's something that could save lives in a situation like that or any other. You can put as much information on Smart 911 as you want. You could put a diagram of your building you can put pictures of the cat that lives there. You can tell where your medications are, you can literally save somebody's life in a matter of minutes by having the right information because 911 can send it to the police car that is pulling into the guys driveway. They know he's a diabetic and he's in a coma and they're not going to be able to talk to him so he's really not drunk. That's the kind of things that it does. If it's like a building that that incident occurred in the entire floor plan of that property could be on of that building. It's something people should do for their own safety and their own wellbeing. It takes no time to do it and you can add it and update it. They send you a 6 month reminder. You can't depend on everybody else to always be responsible for you. Sometimes you have to take the responsibility yourself and be aware of what's going on in your surroundings.

Com. Good, moved to approve the Smart 911 annual license and the Smart Prepare Rave Alert license for 3 years at \$54,000.00 a year, Com. Blaney seconded, motion carried.

Loan Agreement for Antenna between 911 and Union Township School Corporation

Mr. Wittmer, I don't think we need any action here at this meeting but to bring you up to speed we were contacted by Indiana American Water earlier this year regarding the radio equipment that we have out Shorewood water tower. They're repainting that tower this year and need our equipment removed from the water tower during that time. They indicated a couple of months to do that work. Unfortunately we can't just take it down and wait for the day that they give us the green light to put it back up. So we need to find another temporary location for that radio equipment during the interim. Through quite a process of looking at different options feasibility different gnome tower sites we came across where our high school has a tower on the top of part their school. We met the school superintendent to discuss what this project was like. Scott and I have worked on this agreement that we've got here, basically if the school board approves would give us access to that site to use that tower in for the couple of months that we're looking for the equipment to be off of the Shorewood water tower.

Com. Evans, Is it going to give you any coverage problems?

Mr. Wittmer, So we've done some site studies and the system was designed with the Shorewood water tower specifically as part of that little hub. Some of the tower sites that we looked at were not feasible because they did open up the Wheeler tower site. Looking at all of the coverage maps it looks very reminiscent to Shorewood and so we decided that at this time that is going to be our best option. There is a tower that if the school board doesn't approve we're going to have to involve Frontier phone company regarding how the transmissions get back to us. It supposed to be a temporary solution but we're trying to be as fiscally responsible as we possibly can. If Frontier's engineering as I understand it if we put this equipment at Wheeler High School it's going to be a different circuit. So it will come down to us a different route then what the equipment currently at Shorewood gets to us. If the engineering and all of

that is so exorbitant there is another tower close by to Shorewood that we could use, but any of the tower sites that we've contacted want a monthly lease. Whereas we're looking at Wheeler High School potentially as offering us site for inexpensive or free. It's a tradeoff.

Com. Evans, Do we need to approve the agreement?

Atty. McClure, I think we should approve it at this point contingent upon the school board approving it.

Mr. Wittmer, I think even if we didn't go the school route and had to end up on a tower we could probably use.

Atty. McClure, Well we could put that back on the agenda at that point.

Com. Good, C.J. is there any way they could paint around it?

Mr. Wittmer, I've asked that and they won't guarantee the contractor coming out to paint won't damage that equipment. They won't write that into their agreement.

Com. Evans, Have you seen the way they do those anymore? They did the one in Chesterton in the last couple of months. They actually build a tent around the water tower and it's on like a drape or an apron it goes all the way up when they are working. If it's windy and they're sanding blasting they drop it all the way down. It's really quite an undertaking and it took them like a month and a half to do that one I think. The generators and the things they were using were bigger than this room.

Mr. Wittmer, I would believe that that drape would interfere with the antenna out there.

Com. Blaney, moved to approve contingent on the school board giving us approval, Com. Good, seconded, motion carried.

Scot MacDonald – Director Opera House

Michele Gustin – Artist Agreement

Andrew Wolverton – Artist Agreement

South Shore Orchestra – Artist Agreement

Abigail Campbell – Set Designer Agreement

Andrew Flasch – Accompanist/Keyboard Agreement

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Michael Glorioso – Director Agreement

Bobbie Sue Kvachkoff – Costume Designer Agreement

Erin Imer – Vocal Director Agreement

Jacob Lang – Asst. Director/Stage Manager Agreement

Kyle Liedtke – Music Director Agreement

John MacNeil – Artist Agreement

Keith Palazolo – Lighting Designer Agreement

Tom Vienna – Artist Agreement

Com. Blaney, That sets everybody up for Grease, so go buy tickets.

Com. Blaney, moved to approve contracts for Grease, Com. Good, seconded, motion carried.

Report from Commissioners

South District

1. LPA claim Form 5 for Porter County Replacement Bridge 62, CR1000S over Kankakee River, in the amount of \$6,126.59. Recommend approval.

Com. Blaney, moved to approve, Com. Good, seconded, motion carried.

North District

1. High Meadows West, Phase III, Performance Letter of Credit, in the amount of \$272,100 has been issued by 1st Source Bank. Recommend approval.

Com. Evans, moved to approve, Com. Blaney, seconded, motion carried.

Correspondence

Treasurer's Monthly Report – April 2016 filed.

Dawn Pelc of the Porter County Substance Abuse Council regarding the Comprehensive Community Plan.

Ms. Pelc, I am the director of the Porter County Substance Abuse Council. This is our treasurer Chris Byers.

Com. Evans, Would you like to give a little background in what you will be discussing today.

Mr. Buyer, Certainly, we're before you today requesting appropriation of funds that are received by the Council through the Drunk Driving Counter Measures Fee to carry out the recommended actions contained in our Substance Abuse Council Comprehensive Drug Free's Community Plan. That was a plan that was submitted to the Governor's Commission Drug Free Indiana through the (Inaudible) Criminal Justice Institute back in May. It was approved by that entity and basically one of the requirements for us to be able to access those funds is that you as the Commissioners would appropriate those funds for us to use. I believe everybody received a copy of that letter and then the Comprehensive Community Plan a copy of that as well. The best way to describe that it's like a road map for us to identify the needs within the community regarding substance abuse and for individuals to be able to access those funds through the Substance Abuse Council they have to match one of those needs that they are addressing one of those needs. They are still down in a conference in Plymouth.

Com. Evans, Is there a dollar amount specified here for each of the projects that you've?

Mr. Buyer, Those are funds that are collected each year and they are actually divided out into 25% and they go to different areas. So individuals can seek grants, members of the Substance Abuse Council can seek grants for their particular organization that there are affiliated with and their 25% goes towards prevention, 25% intervention, 25% Criminal Justice Services and then 25% will be able to be used in within the office for needs within the Substance Abuse office.

Com. Evans, But you haven't made the awards yet, you just want permission.

Mr. Buyer, No actually we're still collecting this will be through the end of September, the funds that are collected and then we're able to access those in October. We're actually getting real close to beginning our grant cycle. Where individuals and the Substance Abuse Council the entities can seek grants for us, so we'll be going through that really shortly.

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney, seconded, motion carried.

Request for approval by Steve Davis of the Valparaiso Elks to use the north side of the Courthouse in honor of Flag Day, Friday, June 10, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. They will provide their own sound system and chairs.

Com. Evans, This one came to us shortly after our last meeting and was neglected to get on the agenda. So we need to approve this.

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney, seconded, motion carried.

Request for approval by Mike Lohse of the Morgan Twp. Volunteer Fire Dept. to use county roads to detour traffic from S.R. 49 between C.R. 300 South and 400 South for the Annual Malden Labor Day Parade, to be held on Monday, September 5th, 2016 at noon.

Com. Good, moved to approve, Com. Blaney, seconded, motion carried.

Request for Additional Appropriation – Memorial Opera House.

fronts on 49 and is adjacent to it. It was acquired at the same time by the Moeller family so we're just trying to clean that up if you will and get the zoning to be consistent.

Com. Evans, The way this works is we're going to open and hold a public hearing in this matter if you are here to speak for or against this petition we'll ask you come forward. We'll give each entity for or against three opportunities and at the end of that we'll close the public hearing.

Public Hearing Opened

Com. Evans, Is there anyone wishing to speak in favor of this petition? Anyone wishing to come forward and speak in favor of this petition come forward at this time. Third and final time anyone wishing to speak in favor of this petition please come forward now. Is there anyone wishing to speak in opposition of this petition please come forward. Anyone wishing to speak in opposition of this petition, second time. Third and final time anyone wishing to speak in opposition to this petition?

Public Hearing Closed

Com. Evans, Comments, questions from the Commissioners?

Com. Good, What was the recommendation?

Com. Blaney, 8 – 0 in favor.

Com. Good, moved to approve at 1st Reading, Com. Blaney, seconded, motion carried.

Com. Evans, Do we need to do second reading, or can we waive the rules and do it now.

Atty. McClure, We can't waive the rules on a rezone.

Com. Evans, We'll do second meeting at our next meeting the 12th of the July. Anything else? One last time anyone wish to address this body?

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was recessed at 2:03 p.m.

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