

Minutes, Thursday, April 8, 2021

Mr. Lammers moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Bids for the rehabilitation of runway 9/27 lighting at the Putnam County Airport were opened and tabled on the 25th day of March, 2021.

and

WHEREAS, The following bids were received:

Contractor	base bid	Additive Alternate 1
Sarka Electric	\$ 268,642.25	\$70,349.47
Jess Howard Electric	\$ 200,094.00	\$73,097.00
Kobo Utility Constr Corp	\$ 377,614.00	\$115,293.
Perram Electric	\$ 293,756.00	\$100,682.50
J. Ranck Electric	\$ 325,500.00	\$ 93,962.50

now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, After a review of the bids by the engineer for the improvement, Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., the Board of County Commissioners does hereby award the project to Jess Howard Electric, for a base bid and additive alternate for a total project value of \$ 273,173.50.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm absent Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes
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Mr. Schroeder moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of County Commissioners of Putnam, Ohio, that to provide for the unanticipated revenues for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, the following sums be and the same are hereby appropriated for the purpose for which expenditures are to be made during the fiscal year as follows:

Fund 001, County General ..Sheriff

6 A 19, Equipment Utility Usage.....\$15,000.00

(From A 13G16 911Utility Usage Fund)

Mr. Lammers seconded the motion

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm absent Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes
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Now and Then Purchase orders

Mr. moved to approve the then and now purchase orders.

Mr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm Mr. Schroeder Mr. Lammers
Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm Mr. Schroeder Mr. Lammers
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Purchase orders and travel requests

EMS.....Purchase order to Zoll Data Systems for EMA charts service for 2021 for \$ 4,000.00. Purchase order to Penn Care Inc for Ford E 450 ambulance for \$ 184,437.00. Blanket purchase order for decals, radios, for new ambulance for \$ 2100.00.

County General....Purchase order to Dude Solutions Inc for Maintenance Edge (Facility Dude) 6/1/21 through 5/31/22 for \$ 2006.55.

Sheriff/FOJ....Travel request for Sheriff Brian Siefker to attend the 2021 Indiana SWAT Officers Association Conference in Indianapolis, IN Apr 26 through Apr 30, 2021, expenses covered by FOJ funds.

Mr. Lammers moved to approve the purchase orders and travel requests.

Mr. Schroeder seconded the motion.

Vote: Mr. Schlumbohm absent Mr. Schroeder yes Mr. Lammers yes
Exceptions: Mr. Schlumbohm Mr. Schroeder none Mr. Lammers none

Mr. Lammers called the meeting to order with Mr. Schroeder by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Lori Rayle met with Commissioners Schroeder and Lammers to discuss her budget and compensation. Lori shared the contract for the back scanning of the small books, which is a software program that will sort them for retrieval. There were two contracts that Cathy entered for the scanning the documents and books. The scanning would be integrated into the current system so more documents will be available to view online. The contract was entered into in 2018 but no scanning has been done yet. The current program is the same software vendor but a different program. Some of the features that were purchased have never been used. The agreement to scan the big abstract books 1890-1993 is different than this agreement. There is an annual maintenance fee for the whole database program. Lori is planning to use the software that was purchased going forward. The Commissioners want to know how much it would be to get all the scanning current. Lori will check into the prices for that. The new hire just replaced Lori. The office is still short staffed, and there is another employee retiring. The office staff has been very resilient with everything happening. They did not ask for the situation that the office just went through the past few years. Lori questioned the Commissioners decision of suggesting

additional staff in Sept of 2018 and not adding additional staff now. Lori has a plan to get the scanning done and caught up in a 5 year so they are not paying the additional money longer than they need to. The Commissioners are grateful to the Recorders' staff for the work they have done the past few years to keep the Recorder's office running smoothly. The quotes for scanning each of the size of books that are yet to be scanned was reviewed. How much would the scanning add to the work load of the staff? Having a company come in to catch up the scanning would eliminate the shortage of staffing. The new scanner that was purchased can also be used by other offices. If the scanning could be caught up by the scanning company then the short staffing issues would not be a problem. She would just need to replace the retiring part time employee.

Commissioners Schroeder and Lammers discussed the Fair board wanting to replace the Merchants Building. Commissioner Schroeder was thinking that the additional CARES funding could be used to make improvement to the Fairgrounds. The Fair board feels the Merchant's building is the priority of being improved or replaced at the Fairgrounds. The Commissioners want to see updated plans for the Merchant's building. And possibly building one building to replace both the Merchants and Junior Fair building to create a larger venue for other year round events. A new event of beer tasting was proposed to the Fair board to be held during the Fair was also discussed. Mr. Lammers proposed a tunnel under the road old 224 for a walkway to the parking area from the fairgrounds or even a cross walk with flashing lights. The Fair board did not get their fogger, Tim will be asked where it got delivered. The peroxide solution can be purchased from Water Solutions in Ottawa.

The business agenda was held with Commissioners Schroeder and Lammers and Cindy Landwehr, Clerk.

The minutes from Tuesday April 6, 2021 were reviewed and approved.

Katherine Beach of Bowser-Morner held a conference call with Commissioners Schroeder and Lammers and Tim Schnipke and Alaina Siefker regarding the landfill pond and erosion. Ms. Beach was referring to the violation of the solids in the sediment pond at the Landfill. Ms. Beach has not visited the sight yet. She asked if there is any channelized flow created by drainage water. Vince stated there are some but not on the mound itself. He doesn't think there is enough flow to create that turbidity. The turbidity is caused by the clay solids from the soil there. Ms. Beach stated the clay particles could clog other areas and animal gills. If the county gets into violation area there would be enforcement. It was suggested to add riprap to the banks. Ms. Beach suggested to add rock check dams to the drainage channels from the mound draining to the pond every 100 feet until the channel reaches the pond. These dams will hold back the water flow and act as a filter also. Would these precautions now help in easing the violations in the future? Yes, they would. The dams will need to be maintained and kept clean so they can flow freely. MS. Beach will be coming to view the landfill on April 22. Ms. Beach asked if the settling pond has ever been dipped out to remove the sediment. These ponds should have been maintained and dipped out. Ms. Beach will send some information for maintenance and the rock check dams and will review the progress on April 22. The dam designs will be included with the charges but any studies could be charged extra.

The Commissioners and Tim Schnipke discussed the costs of materials needed to put in the rock check dams.

Mr. Lammers moved to adjourn for lunch.

