

The Board met in due form with the following members present: Michael Repay, Kyle W. Allen, Sr. and Jerry Tippy. They passed the following orders, to wit:

There was a moment of silent prayer; the Pledge was given and the Emergency Exit Announcement made.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was faxed by Matthew Cruz to the Times in Munster and Crown Point, the Post Tribune in Merrillville and Crown Point, WJOB Radio Station, the Star, WLTH Radio Station, Comcast Cable, the Calumet Press, Portage Journal News, Pilcher Publishing and the Gary Law, Channel 21 media on the 2nd day of March, 2020 at about 10:16 a.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 2nd day of March, 2020 at about 10:16 a.m.

Order #1 Agenda #1f (1-3 & 5)

In the Matter of Opening of Meeting: f) Finalization of Agenda: 1) Certificate of Service of Meeting Notice; 2) Additions, deletions and corrections; 3) Approval of final Agenda to be incorporated into official minutes; 5) Confirmation of Executive Session.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Agenda as amended and presented by the County Attorney. Motion carried 3-0.

Comes now, Attorney Fech, for item 1f5, confirming an Executive Session scheduled for today, March 4, 2020, that was properly advertised.

Additions to the Agenda After its Publication

Item 5B: Commissioners: Change Order #51 with Hasse Construction for flooring in the additional amount of \$851.00

Item 6d: Commissioners: Donation to the Blind Social Center in the amount of \$700

Item 11B: Commissioners: Payment of Invoice totaling \$888.75 to K&S Engineers for Phase 1 Paving Project

Items 16A: Commissioners: Approval of Advertisement for Bids and Specifications on Maintenance of Masonry at the Paramore Building Bids to be returned on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 by 9:30am to the Auditor's Office

Item 8c: Auditor: LC 265 2-20-2020 TO 3-04-2020, Hand cuts 2-19-2020 to 02-26-2020, and LC 130 03-04-2020

Item 8d: Auditor: Payroll Account Voucher

Corrections to the Agenda After it's Publication

Item 5a: Should read: Amendment #1, not \$1

Deletions to the Agenda After it's Publication

Item 4H: Highway: Supplemental Agreement #1 with DLZ for Right of Way services for 109th and Colorado in an amount of \$89,810.00

Item 4k: Coroner: Verizon Contract

Order #2 Agenda #2a-b

In the Matter of Modification of Specifications Prior to Public Opening of Bids, Quotes, or Other Proposals: a) Highway: Addendum #1 to 2020 Bituminous Materials Delivered and Applied; b) Highway: Addendum #1 to Replacement of Clay St. over Jesse Little Ditch.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 2a&b, on behalf of Highway Department, Addendum #1 to 2020 Bituminous Materials Delivered and Applied and Addendum #1 to Replacement of Clay St. over Jesse Little Ditch. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #3 Agenda #3

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests for Bids and Quotes: Various Departments: a-h.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the opening of Bids and Quotes submitted today, March 4, 2020. Motion carried 3-0.

Public Service Announcement: Health Advisory/Status re: COVID-19/CORONAVIRUS

Comes now, Commissioner Repay, Board President, called forth, Lake County Health Department to provide a brief update on the local response and/or preparedness for Coronavirus.

Comes now, Dr. Vavilala, Health Officer of Lake County, stating that, "so far as the Coronavirus is concerned as all of us know things are changing pretty quickly rapidly and fluidly so what's today and tomorrow we don't know how things are evolving. As the Department we are working very closely with the CDC Guidelines as well with the State Department of Health and we are following and basically the people who are being checked or monitored are placed in three different categories. The first category are the people who are coming from Countries where there is a high risk of Coronavirus where the people have been exposed to Coronavirus like China and currently it has been included, Italy as well as South Korea. These are the people, when they come into our Country, of course if they already have signs of infection, in terms of fever or low respiratory tract infection, they are definitely taken into the hospital and tested and then taken care of. The second group of the people, are the ones who are more variable, these are the people who have been in contact with someone who is coming from there or basically who have been to the Countries, so the State Department is contacting us and giving the names as well as the contact number of these people and want us to keep a close eye on these patients to see if they are going to be developing any kind of infection and if of course if that is positive then they have to be isolated. So far we have had eight (8) people and the State has given us the names of, seven of whom we have interviewed and decided that these people did not actually have any contact with anyone from China, (inaudible/accent inaudible), for as one person has been monitored for over a period of three days, that pretty much completed his check and he/she is also released. So, this is as for the current data for how things have been monitored in the Community as far as the exposure to the Coronavirus. The third group of people are the people who have never been out of the Country, who have never been exposed to Coronavirus, but these are the people either who are elderly, who have had underline sickness, they are admitted to the hospital with a lot of sickness and have acute respiratory failure or something without other reason there is no pneumonia that could explain there is no other influenza, so then these are the people who are being tested, the good news on the update so far the testing kits have been have to be sent to the CDC all the way to Atlanta, after getting the approval from the

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State as of yesterday the State actually has the kits too and they have the ability to test, they still do not have the ability to test in the County and the State does not want any other Lab to test yet because they don't want to create some kind of a pandemic or panic mode in the Community, so as of right now the State is the one, which is basically monitoring so we can, if there is a high suspicion for something and if the State okays with it then we are able to send a test to them and they are able to take it and send it back, and right now we have not had any positive test, here in the County yet and we have emergency preparedness, grant funding person who is in the Health Department also whose been working very closely with the rest of the emergency preparedness communities in all of the County including the people from the County as well as the Hospitals and everything and we have about twelve parts in the County, but she's working very hard to make sure that all the volunteers who should be attached to these parts are still active and that way we can be updated in case we need to open up any of these parts, we actually have a plan to emergency preparedness drill in Crown Point in a week or so but we are waiting for the Legal Department from the County to give us an approval saying that they are protected in case, and we are hoping that the Legal Department could actually give like blanket coverage for all the parts, just so that they would be comfortable seeing that, it's okay that they would be covered, that they would not have any Legal repositions if they are testing or taking (inaudible). So that's where we are right now, as far as the Coronavirus is concerned the precautions that people should be taking should be, just like any other cold cough or more importantly like influenza, wash your hands often, if you are sick please stay home and keep your children at home in the nature, that not only is it a droplet precaution, that means, it is better than to stay at least three (3) feet away from people or even further away and also unfortunately this particular virus when it drops when it falls on surfaces, it does have the tendency to live a little bit longer than we would like so it's important that surfaces are cleaned and wiped often and that the door knobs and everything are cleaned, but more importantly when people are sick, do not go back to work, do not go back to school as least until they are fever free for 24hours, so that's where we are right now."

Comes now, Commissioner Tippy, with a question to Dr. Vavilala, Health Officer of Lake County, asking, "How long from the time you make contact with the virus until you see symptoms?", response, "basically, that's hence the reason, why we are having people quarantine for two weeks, if we believe that there is an actual contact that is a concern for it, the CDC Guidelines basically say that they should be monitoring or self-quarantine for two weeks", Tippy continued, "so after two weeks, then there's very little chance of..." Dr. Vavilala, "there's very little chance", Repay, spoke, stating that the protocol could change, the Health Officer agreed. The Board thanked Dr. Vavilala, end discussion.

Order #4 Agenda #4a

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: a) Sheriff: Purchase of Repair of Dodge Charger from Bosak Motors in the amount of \$3,264.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the purchase of repair to Dodge Charger from Bosak Motors in the amount of \$3,264 on behalf of the Lake County Sheriff. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #5 Agenda #4b

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: b) Sheriff: No Fee Subscription Agreement with OpenBeds, Inc.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve on behalf of Sheriff a No Fee Subscription Agreement with OpenBeds, Inc. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #6 Agenda #4c

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: c) Sheriff: Purchase of Flu Vaccine for 2020-2021 Season from McKesson Medical for \$16,500 (Other quotes from Medline \$16,545.00 and Vaccine Shippe \$16,777.11).

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve on behalf of the Sheriff, purchase of Flu Vaccine for 2020-2021 Season from McKesson Medical for \$16,500, being the lowest quote. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #7 Agenda #4d

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: d) Sheriff: Purchase of medical services from Dr. Ronald Shansky for a Mortality Review in the amount of \$5,000.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve on behalf of the Sheriff, purchase of medical services from Dr. Ronald Shansky for a Mortality Review in the amount of \$5,000. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #8 Agenda #4e

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: e) Sheriff: Contract with DLZ for design of Indoor Simulator Remodel in a total amount of \$56,000.

Comes now, Commissioner Tippy, President Repay allowed, requested to table this item, Allen seconded the motion to table, no further discussion. Motion to table carried 3-0.

Order #9 Agenda #4f,g,i

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: f) Highway: Payment to Michael and Robin Hurst for Right of Way in the amount of \$10,000.00 for Lake County Bridge #65, 125th Ave over West Creek; g) Highway: Repair for John Deere Wheel loader with J&M Equipment Service in the amount of \$7,053.00 (Other quotes from West Side Tractors \$10,507.30 and Ronson \$7,880.76); i) Highway: Extend Contract with DNT Weather Sentry at the 2019 prices for 2020.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items f, g and i, on behalf of Highway Department, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

f) Highway: Payment to Michael and Robin Hurst for Right of Way in the amount of \$10,000.00 for Lake County Bridge #65, 125th Ave over West Creek

g) Highway: Repair for John Deere Wheel loader with J&M Equipment Service in the amount of \$7,053.00

i) Highway: Extend Contract with DNT Weather Sentry at the 2019 prices for 2020.

Order #10 Agenda #4j

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: j) Assessor: Contract renewal with Nearmap for 2 years at a total cost of \$250,000.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 4k, Contract renewal with Nearmap for 2years at a total cost of \$250,000.00, on behalf of Lake County Assessor. Motion carried 3-0.
(SEE FILE "2020 CONTRACTS" & INDIANA GATEWAY ONLINE FOR CONTRACT)

Order #11 Agenda #4l

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: l) Health: Service Agreement with PerMar Security Services in the amount of \$28 per month.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Service Agreement with PerMar Security Services in the amount of \$28/per month on behalf of the Health Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #12 Agenda #4m

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: m) Commissioners: Approve Sole Source Project with Tri-Electronics for installation of Hirsch Door Controllers in the amount of \$9,340.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Sole Source Project with Tri-Electronics for installation of Hirsch Door Controllers for Lake County Commissioners in the amount of \$9,340.00, President Repay spoke stating that this comports with the Security Committee. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #13 Agenda #5a

In the Matter of Action to Modify Existing Contracts: a) Highway: Amendment #1 for 45th Ave. Phase 3, Colfax to Whitcomb to add \$7,542.11 of federal dollars.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve on behalf of Highway, Amendment #1 for 45th Ave. Phase 3, Colfax to Whitcomb to add \$7,542.11 of Federal Aid Demonstration Funds, reviewed and found acceptable by Indiana Department of Transportation and Lake County Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #14 ADD Agenda #5b

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 5b) Commissioners: Change Order #51 with Hasse Construction for flooring in the additional amount of \$851.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Change Order #51 with Hasse Construction in the additional amount of \$851.00 for flooring on behalf of Lake County Commissioners. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #15 Agenda #6a-b

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners Items: a) Sheriff: Grant Retiring Officer James Tomko his service weapon; b) Sheriff: Grant Retiring Officer Alex Garza his service weapon.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 6a-b, on behalf of the Sheriff, to Grant Service Weapon to the following Retiring Officers. Motion carried 3-0.
James Tomko, CSI Division, Twenty-Five years of Service
Alex Garza, Transportation Division, Twenty-Five years of Service

Order #16 Agenda #6c

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners Items: c) Highway: Approve Highway Road Cut Permit with NITCO.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Road-Cut Permit with NITCO on behalf of Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #17 ADD Agenda #6d

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners Items: d) Commissioners: Donation to the Blind Social Center in the amount of \$700.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve donation on behalf of the Commissioners to the Blind Social Center in the amount of \$700. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #18 Agenda #7a

In the Matter of Public Hearing: a) Economic Development: Public Hearing on CDBG Application for 2020.

Comes now, Attorney Fech, before the Board, indicating this matter is to set and advertise the Public Hearing on CDBG Application for 2020 for March 18, 2020, Allen made a motion to set the date for the Public Hearing according to the date read into the record by the County Attorney, Tippy seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #19 Agenda #8a-b

In the Matter of State Board of Accounts Items: a) Weights and Measures: Monthly Report; b) Treasurer: Monthly Report.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record the Reports of Weights and Measures Department 1/16/2020 through 2/15/2020 and Lake County Treasurer for Month ending January 2020. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #20 ADD Agenda #8c-d

In the Matter of State Board of Accounts Items: c) Auditor: LC 265 2-20-2020 to 03-04-2020, Handcuts 2-19-2020 to 02-26-2020, and LC 130 03-04-2020; d) Auditor: Payroll Account Voucher.

Order #20 ADD Agenda #8c-d cont'd

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 8c&d, on behalf of the Auditor, State Board of Accounts Items. Motion carried 3-0.

c) Auditor: LC 265 2-20-2020 to 03-04-2020, Handcuts 2-19-2020 to 02-26-2020, and LC 130 03-04-2020

d) Auditor: Payroll Account Voucher

Order #21 Agenda #9a-b

In the Matter of Items to be made a Matter of Public Record: a) Notice for Executive Session for March 4, 2020 at 11:00am; b) Notice for Executive Session for March 18, 2020 at 11:00am.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record the following Notices. Motion carried 3-0.

- a) Notice for Executive Session for March 4, 2020 at 11:00am
- b) Notice for Executive Session for March 18, 2020 at 11:00am.

Order #22 Agenda #10a

In the Matter of Actions on Bonds/Insurance: a) Accept Continuation Certificate for BR Schroeder and Sons.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy,

Order #23 Agenda #11a ADD Agenda #11b

In the Matter of Grant Payments to Vendors: a) Commissioners: Pay open invoices totaling \$5,905.00 to Tri-Electronics; b) Commissioners: Payment of Invoice totaling \$888.75 to K&S Engineers for Phase 1 Paving Project.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy,

Order #24 Agenda #12a-o

In the Matter of Approve Vendor Qualification Affidavits and/or Responsible Bidder Applications: a-o: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve

- a) Building Manager: Berey Bros.
- b) Commissioners: Miller Beach Arts and Creative District
- c) Commissioners: AT Business Solutions
- d) Commissioners: Friendship Baptist Church
- e) Commissioners: Young Blessed Men and Women
- f) Commissioners: I Too Sing America Organization of NWI
- g) Commissioners: Methodist Hospitals Association
- h) Economic Development: D & M Sullivan Properties
- i) Public Defender: Linda Sdootka
- j) Public Defender: Johnson and Bell
- k) Sheriff: Aerometals
- l) Sheriff: National Sheriff's Association
- m) Parks: Humane Indiana Wildlife
- n) Highway: Neal's Automotive Parts
- o) E911: Vertiv

Order #25 Agenda #3a

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: a) Bituminous Materials and Surface Milling Delivered and Applied.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Bituminous Materials and Surface Milling Delivered and Applied for the Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$5,690,650.00
Rieth-Riley Const. Co., Inc.	\$5,926,025.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #26 Agenda #3b

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: b) Bituminous Materials and Surface Milling Picked Up.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Bituminous Materials and Surface Milling Picked Up for the Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$30,000.00
Rieth-Riley Const. Co., Inc.	\$30,000.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #27 Agenda #3c

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: c) Bituminous Materials for Roadway Patching Bridge and Deck Delivered and Applied.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Bituminous Materials for Roadway Patching Bridge and Deck Delivered and Applied for the Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Order #27 Agenda #3c cont'd

Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$392,500.00
Rieth-Riley Const. Co., Inc.	\$379,000.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #28 Agenda #3d

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: d) Seal Coat.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Seal Coat for Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$1,134,750.00
Rieth-Riley Const. Co., Inc.	\$ 993,000.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #29 Agenda #3e

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: e) AE-90 Liquid Asphalt.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for AE-90 Liquid Asphalt for the Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Walsh & Kelly, Inc.	\$36,000.00
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Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #30 Agenda #3f

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: f) Replacement of Bridge #1147, Clay St. over Little Jesse Ditch.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Replacement of Bridge #1147, Clay Street over Little Jesse Ditch for the Highway Department, the following bids were received:

Gariup Const. Co., Inc.	\$863,700.00
Rieth-Riley Const. Co., Inc.	\$748,476.35
JCI Bridge Group	\$577,811.17
Dunnet Bay Const.	\$648,340.00
Ellas Const. Co., Inc.	\$674,359.51

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to take the above mentioned bids under advisement for further tabulation and recommendation. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #31 Agenda #3g-h

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests For Bids and Quotes: g) Thirteen 2020 Dodge Charger Police Sedans; h) Six 2020 Dodge Charger Police Pursuit Sedans.

No Bids. NAT.

Order #32 Agenda #13a

In the Matter of Appointments: a) Appoint Paul Stracci and Mark Murphy to the Community Corrections Board

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the appointment of Paul Stracci and Mark Murphy to the Community Corrections Board, March 2020 through December 2024. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #33 Agenda #13b

In the Matter of Appointments: b) Appoint Kelly Williams to the East Chicago Library Board.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the appointment of Kelly Williams to the East Chicago Library Board. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #34 Agenda #16A

In the Matter of Other: A) Commissioners: Approval of Advertisement of Bids and Specifications on Maintenance of Masonry at the Paramore Building. Bids to be returned on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 by 9:30am to the Auditor's Office.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the advertising of bids and specifications on Maintenance of Masonry at the Paramore Building for the return of bids by Wednesday, April 1, 2020 by 9:30am to the Auditor's Office. Motion carried 3-0.

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.

There being no further business before the Board at this time, Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy.

The following officials were Present:
Attorney Fech

MICHAEL REPAY, PRESIDENT

KYLE ALLEN Sr., COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN E. PETALAS, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR