

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

The Pledge was given, there was moment of Silence those present were asked to remember Judge Diane Boswell and her family and friends, Roll Call was made. Emergency Exit Announcement was made.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was emailed by Rose Koliboski 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 19th day of October, 2021 at about 11:28 a.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 19th day of October, 2021 at about 11:28 a.m.

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Order #1 Agenda #4

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.1-4.9: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to allow the opening of the bids/quotes received October 20, 2021 in agenda items 4.1-4.9, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

- 4.1 Two New Unused 2021 Backhoe Loader
- 4.2 IBM Compatible Personal Computers
- 4.3 Re-roofing of the Highway Maintenance Building
- 4.4 HVAC Housings in the Penthouses Renovations
- 4.5 New Chilled Water Pipe Insulation at Westwind
- 4.6 Penthouse Fan Divider Panels
- 4.7 Video Surveillance Project
- 4.8 Renovations to the 2nd Floor Courts
- 4.9 Building Demolition Removal 45th Avenue Phase III

Order #2 Agenda #17

In the Matter of Comments: Members of the Public: Presentation by Representative from VS Engineering and Bakertilly Municipal Advisors: RE: Lake County, Indiana Recovery Plan/Calumet Township Sewer Project.

Comes now, Present Repay, allow some Consultants to come forward and speak, first to speak Sam Weber with VS Engineering with presentation on Sewer Project in Calumet Township, they were asked to review this area where no public sewer system is available and at some point for quality of life we have to get a public sewer system in there, complaints have been made in the past years, contaminants have been found as a result of a failing septic system, which raises red flags, the need for a public sewer system in this area is definitely considerable, they were asked to understand and determine Phase 1, this project will likely be done in phases, the most dense area allowing the most residents to be served, this initial Phase 1 will service about 700 acres, about 35thousand feet of sewer about a third of the entire project, construction cost estimate 35million including all the manes and connecting residents, right of way some may need to be purchased some public, grand total overall 42million, schedule on this project money needs to be spent by 2026 as the final deadline, working back 2year construction 2023-2025, complete land acquisition and bid project early 2023, design phase early 2022 pending approval from Council and Commissioners, Sam asked if anyone had questions.

Commissioner Repay, spoke, stating, one of the things we all thought was important is to let everyone see what we've been working on and thank you for your work thus far, and Doug will speak on the financial aspect.

Comes now, Doug B. with Bakertilly Municipal Advisors to speak before the Board, in regards to Lake County, Indiana Recovery Plan, stating that they have been assisting the County with the American Rescue Plan Funds, that have been received, the American Rescue Plan Act provided significant once in a lifetime funding to your local communities to help stimulate the economy and combat the negative results of the COVID-19 Pandemic, Lake County was awarded a little over 94million dollars in Recovery Funds, the main points of the recovery plan, all units of Government has to have a plan of how they're going to spend their money, Lake County based on population has to have a more in-depth recovery plan, broken into allowable uses, planned uses, benefits of Sewer Infrastructure Projects, Recovery Plan Preliminary Budget, Funding for Sewer Infrastructure Projects, and the Next Steps. Attorney Fech asked Doug if he would discuss how the funds are distributed. Doug, replied, yes approximately half of the funds were distributed by the Federal Government directly to the County, which has been received already, the other half is supposed to come approximately 12months after that, so next year. Doug, continued, speaking on the planned uses, why invest in infrastructure and preliminary budget.

Comes now, Commissioner Tippy, to speak, giving background on the sewer and septic system in Center Township a study that the Army Corp of Engineers years and the DNR has resurrected the studies and has identified a considerable amount of sanitary infiltration into our ditches, streams, etc. all of our water ways, something needs to be done, the Army Corp of Engineers identified nine (9) subdivisions within Center Township, as a Committee five (5) have been determined top priority, the base project of the five subdivisions comes to 25million dollars estimated, NIES Engineering is our engineering consultant for that particular project, it will not happen without cooperation from the City of Crown Point, discussions have been had with the Mayor and his staff and have come to an agreement and principle and getting closer, a good fit timing wise and look forward to working with.

Comes now, Commissioner Repay, stating, "It was quite fortuitous of us to have all of us have been working on different projects like this, and yet they're not types of projects that attract a lot of attention to people immediately impacted, so these projects are extremely impactful to water quality, environmental, property values, all things that are super important for the Board of Commissioners who care about what happens in the unincorporated areas, but they're not as esthetically pleasing as a Bridge or a Park and I'm sure we're going to do ground breakings and ribbon cuttings, but it just won't have the impact esthetically as the others but that doesn't limit their impact, and for those reasons we really focused on these, you'll see that there's a lot of contingency money, for project scope that may change, we want to get as many properties out of a septic situation and into a treated sewer, I would commend the Gary Sanitary District and the City of Gary for their assistance with us so far and we continue to move forward with the stuff on Calumet Township side and we just look forward to working with the County Council that they accept our plan, a draft is expected by November meeting, but this is another kind of way to get it out in the open, and move forward, send them a plan tell them what our intents are and then they allow us to move forward with these as quickly as possible, thank you both for attending and we will resume back to regular order, if you would Matt Fech", end discussion

Order #3 Agenda #11.1

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.1 Economic Development: Hearing for Application of new funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program to begin at 10:00am.

Comes now, approval needed to hold a Public Hearing for Application of new funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program to begin at 10:00am, opening remarks read aloud by Commissioners Attorney, Allen made a motion to open the floor for public comments for agenda item 11.1, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

President Repay, began the Public Hearing calling for anyone present to come forward wishing to speak for or against Application of new funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program.....hearing none..... Allen made a motion to close the public comment, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Comes now, Attorney Fech, requested the Board make a motion to adopt the Resolution, the Affirmative Action Program and adopt Section 3 Understanding of document, Allen made a motion based on request and presentation of the County Attorney for application of said funds for agenda item 11.1, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2021-03

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS TO SUBMIT A PROJECTS PROPOSAL FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2021

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date, Lake County, Indiana is authorized to provide financial assistance to units of general local government for undertaking and carrying out Community Development activities; and

WHEREAS, it is provided in such Act that the unit of general local government shall provide a satisfactory assurance prior to submission of its Application, that it has held one public hearing to obtain the views of citizens of Community Development needs; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that Lake County, Indiana, hereinafter called the ("County"), undertake and carry out Community Development activities; and

WHEREAS, the County is proposing a project for assistance under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date, and proposes to undertake and make available a total project cost of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) and

WHEREAS, the County has held one formal public hearing on the proposed program and has made available to the general public, through the mass media and other sources, information concerning the program; and

WHEREAS, the County has general knowledge of the proposed uses of such funds and is cognizant of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and carrying out of Community Development activities and undertaking with Federal financial assistance under Title 1, including those prohibiting discrimination because of race, color, creed, sex or national origin;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the County of Lake, Indiana:

Section 1: That the President of The Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake, IN is hereby authorized to file a Project proposal for funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date, with Lake County, Indiana and provide all information and assurances as may be necessary under the Act.

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake

President of the Board of Commissioners
of the County of Lake

Jerry Tippy

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ATTEST:

John Petalas

Order #3 Agenda #11.1 cont'd

LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA
Section 3 Understanding

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued regulations that provide the directive to create job opportunities for low-income persons when HUD funds are expended on a construction project. These regulations are known as Section 3 policy. The purpose of the Section 3 policy is to ensure that the employment and other economic opportunities generated by Federal financial assistance for housing and community development programs shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed toward low and very low-income persons.

Section 3 covered projects are construction, reconstruction, conversion, or rehabilitation of housing, including reduction and abatement of lead based paint hazards, or other public construction which includes building and improvements assisted with HUD housing and community development assistance. Section 3 covered contracts do not include contracts for purchase of supplies and materials. However, whenever a contract for materials includes the installation of the materials, the contract constitutes a Section 3 covered contract.

Fund recipients and contractors must show compliance with the numerical goals set forth by the regulations. The numerical goals for new hires apply only to the number of new hires generated because of the financial assistance of the HUD programs. The numerical goals are not absolute numerical requirements. They are goals that each recipient and contractor should try to reach. The goals, if not met, do not trigger sanctions against the recipient or contractor. However, if challenged on the issue of compliance with Section 3, the recipient or contractor should be ready to demonstrate that they tried to reach these goals. The goals are as follows:

- 30% of all covered new hires for the year FY 2021

In addition, recipients and contractors are required to show compliance with the goal that at least 10% of any building trade activity which is subcontracted, and 3% of non building trade activity (construction management, etc.), is awarded to eligible Section 3 business concerns.

Further information regarding these requirements may be found in the Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 135 and the Lake County Section 3 Plan.

I certify that I have read the information above and understand the Section 3 requirements and numerical goals.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM
IMPLEMENTING SECTION 3 OF THE
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1968

SPECIFIC AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STEPS

COUNTY OF LAKE agrees to implement the following specific affirmative action steps directed at increasing the utilization of lower income residents and project area businesses.

- To ascertain from the HUD Area Office Director the exact boundaries of the Section 3 covered project area and where advantageous, seek the assistance of local officials of the department in preparing and implementing the affirmative action plan.
- To attempt to recruit from the appropriate areas the necessary number of lower income residents through: local advertising media, signs placed at the proposed site for the project, and community organizations and public or private institutions operating within or serving the project area such as Service Employment and Redevelopment (SER), Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC), Urban League, Concentrated Employment Program, Hometown Plan or the U.S. Employment Service.
- To maintain a list of all lower income area residents who have applied either on their own or on referral from any source and to employ such persons, if otherwise eligible and if a vacancy exists.
- To insert this affirmative action plan in all bid documents, and to require all bidders to submit a Section 3 affirmative action plan including utilization goals and the specific steps planned to accomplish the goals.
- To insure that contracts which are typically let on a negotiated rather than a bid basis in areas other than Section 3 covered project area, are also let on a negotiated basis, where ever feasible when let in a Section 3 covered project area.
- To formally contact unions, subcontractors and trade associations, to secure their cooperation for this program.
- To insure that all appropriate project area business concerns are notified of pending contractual opportunities.
- To maintain records including copies of correspondence, memoranda, etc., which document that all of the above affirmative action steps have been taken.
- To appoint or recruit an executive official of the company or agency as Equal Opportunity Officer to coordinate the implementation of this Section 3 Affirmative Action Plan.

Signature

President, Lake County Commissioner

Title

Order #4 Agenda #2

In the Matter of Additions, Deletions, Corrections: 2.1 – 2.4: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda as amended, 2.1-2.4, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Additions, Deletions, Corrections

- 2.1 DELETION: Highway Dept.: Select a Consulting Engineer for Lake County Highway Bridge Inspection for years 2022 to 2025. (9.23)
- 2.2 CORRECTION: Highway Dept.: County Utility Agreement for installation of new communication cables, Removal of 400 PR Cable and Bury New on Belshaw Road for the replacement of Bridge #47(9.35)
- 2.3 CORRECTION: Highway Dept.: Recommendation of Russell's Tree Service in the amount \$4,300.00 for removal of tree located at 7401 W. 247th Avenue. (Briggs Tree Service-cannot do; Clemons Tree Experts-no reply; Cams Tree Service-cannot do; Clemons Tree-no reply)
- 2.4 Donations: Miller Beach Arts and Creative District CDC; Blind Social Center; Urban League of Northwest Indiana (11.10)

Order #2 Agenda #3.1-3.5

In the Matter of Correspondence: 3.1 – 3.5 Commissioners: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record agenda items 3.1 thru 3.5, Correspondence, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Correspondence

- 3.1 **Commissioners:** Make a matter of Public Record Pre-Bid Sign-In Sheet for Highway Re-Roofing of Maintenance Building
Pre-Bid Meeting Sign-In Sheet
Reroofing of Highway Maintenance Building
September 28, 2021 – 10:30am
Company
EC Babilla Inc.
Korellis
Gluth Brothers Roofing Company, Inc.
- 3.2 **Commissioners:** Make a matter of Public Record Pre-Bid Sign-In Sheet for Replacement of Insulation on Chilled Water Piping at the Westwind Building
Pre-Bid Meeting Sign-In Sheet
Replacement of Insulation On Chilled Water Piping At The Westwind Building
September 28, 2021
Company
Gatlin
Gatlin
Coleman Insulation Company
- 3.3 **Commissioners:** Make a matter of Public Record Pre-Bid Sign-In Sheet for Video Surveillance at the Lake County Government Center
Pre-Bid Meeting Sign-In Sheet
Video Surveillance At The Lake County Government Center
September 28, 2021 – 10:30AM
Company
ProvenIT
Tri-Electronics
- 3.4 **Commissioners:** Make a matter of Public Record Pre-Bid Sign-In Sheet for HVAC Penthouse Coil Dividers
Pre-Bid Meeting Sign-In Sheet
HVAC Renovations To The Penthouse Coil Divider Panels
September 28, 2021
Company
Gatlin Plumbing
D.A. Dodd
D.A. Dodd
Dale Misch
- 3.5 **Commissioners:** Make a matter of Public Record the Pipeline Safety and Damage Prevention Information

Order #4 Agenda #5

In the Matter of Meeting Minutes

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Meeting Minutes as read into the record, Board of Commissioners meeting minutes for Regular Meeting held 07-21-2021, Regular Meeting held 08-18-2021, Special Meeting held 09-01-2021, and Regular Meeting held 09-15-2021. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #5 Agenda #6

In the Matter of Approve Specifications for Bids: 6.1 – 6.13: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the advertising of Specifications for Bids for the following Departments agenda items 6.1 thru 6.13 as listed on agenda, Various Departments for the return on bids by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Motion carried 3-0.

Approve Specifications for Bids

- 6.1 Commissioners: Approve Specifications for the **Renovations to the 4th Floor of Westwind for EMA** to be advertised with the return date of November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.2 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Aggregate (Limestone) Delivered** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.3 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Aggregate (Limestone) Picked Up** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.4 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Aggregate ACBF** (Air Cooled Blast Furnace Slag) to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.5 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Cold Patch Mix for Patching Picked Up and Delivered** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.

Order #5 Agenda #6 cont'd

- 6.6 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Gasoline Unleaded & Diesel Fuel for Crown Point & Lowell** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.7 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Ice Control Aggregate Blast Furnace Slag** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.8 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Painted Pavement Markings on selected County Roads** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.9 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Plastic Culverts** to be advertised. Bids to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.10 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Traffic Signals and Accessories** to be advertised with the return date of November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.11 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for the year 2022 for **Treated Timber Bridge Material** to be advertised. Bid to be returned Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.12 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for **Three (3) 2021 or newer Tractor w/Cab, 4WD** to be advertised with the return date of November 17, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.
- 6.13 Sheriff: Approve Specifications for **Food Services for Lake County Jail** for the years 2022 and 2023 to be advertised and returned on November 16, 2021 by 9:30 a.m. to the Lake County Auditor.

Order #6 Agenda #8

In the Matter of Public Selection of At Least Three Vendors From Whom To Seek Quotes: Approval of Specification for Seeking Proposals, Select The Vendors, and Set the Return Date: 8.1 – 8.8: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 8.1 thru 8.8 with dates and times for the return of said documents as listed on the agenda, the seeking of proposals for the return of quotes by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30am in the Lake County Auditor's Office on behalf of the Departments listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Approval of Specification for Seeking Proposals

- 8.1 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 **Back Fill "B" Borrow (Picked Up)**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Proposals sent to: Beemsterboer Materials, Hammond, IN; Rieth Riley, Gary, IN; South Lake Stone, Hebron, IN
- 8.2 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **Back Fill "B" Borrow (Delivered)**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Proposals sent to: Beemsterboer Materials, Hammond, IN; Rieth Riley, Gary, IN; South Lake Stone, Hebron, IN
- 8.3 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **Geo-Melt**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Proposals sent to: Great Lakes Chloride, Warsaw, IN; Chloride Solutions, Webberville, MI; ES Deicing, Fort Wayne, IN
- 8.4 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **Liquid Calcium Chloride**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Proposals sent to: Great Lakes Chloride, Warsaw, IN; Chloride Solutions, Webberville, MI; ES Deicing, Fort Wayne, IN
- 8.5 Highway Dept.: Lake County Highway Department specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **New Tire, Tire Repair & Recapping**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Invitations to: T&M Tire, St. John, IN; Tred-Roc, Griffith, IN; Chicago Tire, Inc.; South Holland, IL
- 8.6 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **Top-Soil**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Invitations to: Hubinger Landscaping Corp., Crown Point, IN; Niemeyer Farm Service, Inc., Crown Point, IN; Blade Cutters Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; South County Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; RLM (Ricci's Landscaping, Hebron, IN)
- 8.7 Highway Dept.: Specification for the year 2022 for the return of Proposals for **Seeding**. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 no later than 9:30 A.M. in the Lake County Auditor's Office. Invitations to: Hubinger Landscaping Corp., Crown Point, IN; Niemeyer Farm Service, Inc., Crown Point, IN; Blade Cutters Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; South County Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; RLM (Ricci's Landscaping, Hebron, IN)
- 8.8 Highway Dept.: Approve Specification for Proposals to be sent to the following vendors for the Year 2022 for **Vegetation Management**: Invitations to: Daltons, Inc., Warsaw, IN; Blade Cutters Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; South County Landscaping, Crown Point, IN; RLM (Ricci's Landscaping), Hebron, IN. Proposals to be returned by Tuesday, November 16, 2021 by 9:30 A.M. in the Auditor's Office.

Order #7 Agenda #9.1-9.4

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.1 E-911: HPE Support Service Contract Renewal; 9.2 E911: Change Order for Generator Project with an increase of \$7,734.14; 9.3 E-911: Palo Alto Software Renewal; 9.4 E-911: Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 9.1 thru 9.4, on behalf of E-911, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

- 9.1 E-911: HPE Support Service Contract Renewal
9.2 E911: Change Order for Generator Project with an increase of \$7,734.14
9.3 E-911: Palo Alto Software Renewal
9.4 E-911: Collective Bargaining Agreement

Order #8 Agenda #9.5

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.5 Prosecutor: Professional Services Contract between the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the Lake County Prosecutor's Office and the Indiana Family & Social Services Administration, Division of Aging.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Professional Services Contract between the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the Lake County Prosecutor's Office and the Indiana Family & Social Services Administration, Division of Aging. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #9 Agenda #9.6

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.6 Surveyor: Contract between Surveyor and Clifford-Wald.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Contract between Surveyor and Clifford-Wald, a maintenance contract for \$1,824.00 annually or \$152.00 per month for the period of November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #10 Agenda #9.7-9.16

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.7-9.16 Commissioners: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 9.7-9.16, listed below, Contracts on behalf of Commissioners. Motion carried 3-0.

- 9.7 Commissioners: Letter of agreement with DLZ for professional services at the LC Fairgrounds Fine Arts Maintenance
9.8 Commissioners: Contract with Maris & Son (lowest and most responsive) for the Re-roofing at Paramore Building in the amount of \$358,313.00 (Babilla Roofing \$419,820; Gluth Brothers Roofing \$479,440; Korellis Roofing \$574,941)
9.9 Commissioners: Contract with Midwestern Electric, Inc. for Upgrades to Chiller #1 in the amount of \$264,665. (only bidder)
9.10 Commissioners: Contract with Gatlin Plumbing for HVAC Renovation at the Jail Laundry Facility in the amount of \$226,500
9.11 Commissioners: Approve Lazzaro Companies for the Replacement of the Automatic Sliding Aluminum Entrance Door in the amount of \$10,600 (Trout Glass submitted a day late, only other quote)
9.12 Commissioners: Approve Pangere Corporation Change Order #1 for additional 42' of roofing work in the amount of \$5,850
9.13 Commissioners: Approve Lazzaro Companies for Replacement of Two Aluminum Entrance Doors in the amount of \$7,800 (only quote)
9.14 Commissioners: Recommendation to award Contract with only bidder, Midwestern Electric for the Re-Bid of Electrical Maintenance in the amount of \$238,880 (This includes alternates)
9.15 Commissioners: Consulting Contract with Onyx Electronics from October 19, 2021 through October 18, 2022
9.16 Commissioners: MOU Agreement with the Gary Redevelopment Commission for the total demolition of 6300 Miller Ave. and 1100 Massachusetts in the amount of \$231,900

Order #11 Agenda #9.17

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.17 Data: Software Support Agreement between Infor (US), LLC and the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake on behalf of Lake County Data Processing for the finance/payroll system in the total amount of \$199,247.50 payable in two installments of \$99,623.75.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Software Support Agreement between Infor (US), LLC and the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake on behalf of Lake County Data Processing for the finance/payroll system in the total amount of \$199,247.50 payable in two installments of \$99,623.75. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #12 Agenda #9.18

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.18 Sheriff: Amendment to Master Services Agreement, dated February 5, 2020 with Global Tel * Link Corporation to bring the rates in the jail telephone service agreement into compliance with the FCC Rule changes and Order issued on May24, 2021.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Amendment to Master Services Agreement, dated February 5, 2020 with Global Tel * Link Corporation to bring the rates in the jail telephone service agreement into compliance with the FCC Rule changes and Order issued on May24, 2021. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #13 Agenda #9.19

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.19 Sheriff: Scope of work for our FortiGate Firewall redundancy project for Purchase Order 4109283 in the amount of \$60,758.45.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Scope of work for our FortiGate Firewall redundancy project for Purchase Order 4109283 in the amount of \$60,758.45 on behalf of the Sheriff. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #14 Agenda #9.20

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.20 Sheriff: Request to purchase client work station computers, software and UGRADE to existing video recording system in the Lake County Jail with Stanley Security in the amount of \$109,600.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve Sheriff's request to purchase client work station computers, software and **UGRADE** to existing video recording system in the Lake County Jail with Stanley Security in the amount of \$109,600.00. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #15 Agenda #9.21

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.21 Sheriff: Approve GSA pricing to purchase Emergency Rescue Watercraft from Metal Shark in the amount of \$770,060.00 each. (Other quotes Silver Ships \$712,835.88; Safe Boats \$757,574.74).

Allen made a motion to defer, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion to defer carried 3-0.

Order #16 Agenda #9.22

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.22 Sheriff: 3 Year Facility Storage Lease (for LCSD vehicles and equipment) with Maklease, Inc. Approx. 10,368 square feet of storage space located at 11000 Virginia Street, Lot #4, Crown Point, IN 46307. Rent: \$9,504.00 per month/\$114,048. Annual.

Upon brief discussion between Board members and Attorney Fech, Allen made a motion to schedule a Public Hearing for the next Commissioners meeting, November 17, 2021, Auditor will be required to advertise that Public Meeting, per Fech, owner of the property will be responsibility for the cost of that advertisement, Tippy seconded the motion and asked if other potential properties had been solicited, Attorney Kopak present/spoke stated yes and continued with comment, Tippy asked if this was the same address that was on the September meeting, Kopak replied, "yes,sir", brief discussion continued, Repay confirmed there was a motion and a seconded to set a Public Hearing in the Commissioners Courtroom November 17, 2021 at 10am. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #17 Agenda #9.24-#9.40(CORR Agenda #2.3)

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.24 -9.40 Highway Dept.: listed below.

Comes now, Highway Engineer, before the Board of Commissioners to speak on agenda item 9.38 stating that DLZ scored highest confirm scoring and select DLZ.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda item 9.24 thru 9.40, listed below, on behalf of Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to remove agenda item 9.42 (being a duplicate of 9.40). Motion carried 3-0.

Action to Form Contracts: 9.24 -9.40 Highway Dept.

9.24 Highway Dept.: Offer from J&J Newell Concrete Contractors, Inc. to extend their 2021 Lake County Highway Department bid prices through 2022 at the same rate.

9.25 Highway Dept.: Offer from Midwestern Electric, Inc. to extend their 2021 Lake County Highway Department bid prices through 2022 at same rate for Traffic Signal and Lighting Maintenance.

9.26 Highway Dept.: Offer from DTN to extend their 2021 agreement through 2022 at the same rate for Weather Sentry Online Services for the Crown Point and Lowell Lake County Highway Department Facilities.

9.27 Highway Dept.: Offer from Monroe Pest Control, Inc. to extend their 2021 agreement prices through 2022 at the same rate for the Crown Point and Lowell Lake County Highway Department Facilities

9.28 Highway Dept.: Offer from Johnson Controls, Inc. to extend their 2021 agreement prices through 2022 at the same rate for the Lake County Highway Department Crown Point and Lowell Facilities for mechanical, controls, security and fire systems

9.29 Highway Dept.: Offer from Days Construction and Asphalt to extend their 2021 Lake County Highway Department bid price for Asphalt Service (Crack Seal) through 2022 at the same rate

9.30 Highway Dept.: Agreement between Terrence J. Bronowski, Certified Public Accountant and the Lake County Highway Department for the year 2022.

9.31 Highway Dept.: Agreement between William J. Fassoth and the Lake County Highway Department for deer disposal and other animals beginning calendar 2022 (January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022, \$150.00 per carcass, \$50.00 if no deer carcass found after dispatch)

9.32 Highway Dept.: Award One New Unused 2020 Newer Lowboy Trailer to West Side Tractor Sales Co. (Only bidder) in the amount of \$98,723.04.

9.33 Highway Dept.: Award the Two (2) 2020 or Newer 58,000 GVWR Tandem Axle Trucks with Snow Plow Hydraulic and Salt Spreader to M&K & Lindco, met all of the requirements, in the amount of \$471,881.00. (M&K Truck-Terry Truck Equipment \$434,589.00)

9.34 Highway Dept.: Make a Matter of Record Emergency Tree Removal at 1931 E. Main Street, Griffith, IN to Russell's Tree Care Service in an amount not to exceed \$1,800.00.

9.35 CORRECTION: Highway Dept.: County Utility Agreement for installation of new communication cables, Removal of 400PR Cable and Bury New on Belshaw Road for the replacement of Bridge #47.

9.36 Highway Dept.: Approve the Purchase Right of Way at 45th Avenue, Parcel 329 Counter Offer in the amount of \$82,200.00. An increase of \$11,000.00

9.37 Highway Dept.: Approval to Purchase Right of Way at 45th Avenue, Parcel 383, Emil Poppa Counter Offer to Condemnation Settlement in the amount of \$15,000.00

9.38 Highway Dept.: Selection of a Consultant for Construction Engineering Services for the Replacement of LC Bridge 47, Belshaw Road over Bruce Ditch - Selection of DLZ approved

9.39 Highway Dept.: Approve County Utility Agreement at Old Lincoln Highway 22, LF from edge of Burr Street, Discovery Hydrovac: Vacuuming earth around existing pipeline

9.40 CORRECTION: Highway Dept.: Recommendation of Russell's Tree Service in the amount of \$4,300.00 for removal of tree located at 7401 W. 247th Avenue. (Briggs Tree Service-cannot do; Clemons Tree Experts-no reply; Cams Tree Service-cannot do; Clemons Tree-no reply).

Order #18 CORR Agenda #2.2 Agenda #9.41

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: 9.41 Correction: Highway Dept.: County Utility Agreement for installation of new communication cables, Removal of 400 PR Cable and Bury New on Belshaw Road for the Replacement of Bridge #47.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve County Utility Agreement for installation of new communication cables, Removal of 400 PR Cable and Bury New on Belshaw Road for the Replacement of Bridge #47 on behalf of Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #19 Agenda #10.1-10.2

In the Matter of Action And/Or Reports On County Owned Property: 10.1 Purdue Co-Op: Request for Property Disposal: 10.2 Data: Request for Property Disposal.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve requests for property disposal on behalf of Purdue Co-Op and Data Processing Departments. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #20 Agenda #11.2

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.2 Commissioners: Reappointment of Vanessa Salazar to the Hammond Public Library Board.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the reappointment of Vanessa Salazar to the Hammond Public Library Board (four-year term to expire September 2025). Motion carried 3-0.

Order #21 Agenda #11.3 & 11.9

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.3 & 11.9 Pre-Qualification Form Gibson-Lewis, LLC.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to delete. Motion carried 3-0. (Approved as item 15.1)

Order #22 Agenda #11.4

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.4: Commissioners: Mask Mandate Order.

Comes now, President Repay, to address Commissioners Mask Mandate Order, extending the Mask Mandate Order through November 19, 2021, Allen made a motion to approve the extension to the Mask Mandate Order, Repay seconded. Motion carried 2-1, Tippy no.


LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'
MASK MANDATE ORDER

Based upon the ongoing recommendations of the Center of Disease Control ("CDC") and pursuant to I.C. 367-2-3.5-4 which charges the Lake County Board of Commissioners with the obligation supervising the care and custody of all county property, the Lake County Board of Commissioners, by a vote of the majority hereby **ORDERS** that masks will continue to be required for entry into any County owned building.

This **ORDER** shall be reviewed again on November 17, 2021 by the Lake County Board of Commissioners and shall be updated accordingly.

APPROVED this 20th day of OCTOBER, 2021 by the **LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.**


Michael C. Repay, President


Kyle W. Allen, Sr., Vice President

Jerry Tippy, Member

Order #23 Agenda #11.5-11.6

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.5 Commissioners: Emergency repairs to elevator at Paramore Building to be made a matter of public record. Pit full of water; 11.6 Commissioners: Elevator emergency at Westwind Manor to be made a matter of public record. Car Controller – PC Board \$1,733.00.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy with question asking the cost of emergency repairs in item 11.5, Attorney Fech stated he went there on a Saturday at 11o'clock at night and there was a pit full of water, Tippy seconded stands, to approve 11.5 and 11.6 Emergency repairs as listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

11.5 Commissioners: Emergency repairs to elevator at Paramore Building to be made a matter of public record. Pit full of water. Otis Elevator \$2,274.00

11.6 Commissioners: Elevator emergency at Westwind Manor to be made a matter of public record. Car Controller – PC Board \$1,733.00

Order #24 Agenda #11.7-11.8

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.7 Public Defender: Special Public Defender Legal Services with Attorney Nicole A. Bennett to be made a matter of public record; 11.8 Public Defender: Special Public Defender Legal Services with Attorney Timothy E. Bianco to be made a matter of public record.

Comes now Attorney Fech, to speak before the Board regarding the approval of these special contracts to protect constitutional rights, Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record Special Public Defender Legal Services with Attorney Nicole A. Bennett and Attorney Timothy E. Bianco on behalf of Public Defender Office. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #25 ADD Agenda #2.4 Agenda #11.10

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: 11.10 Commissioners: Donations to The Blind Social Center; Miller Beach; Urban League.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve donations on behalf of Commissioners for The Blind Social Center, Miller Beach Arts Creative District, and Urban League of Northwest Indiana, Inc. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #26 Agenda #12.1-12.10

In the Matter of Council: 12.1 – 12.10 Resolutions and Ordinances: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 12.1 thru 12.10, Lake County Council for Ordinances and Resolutions listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Council

12.1 **Resolution 21-56** in Support of October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month

12.2 **Ordinance 1463A** Creating the Lake Circuit Court, Lake Superior Court – Juvenile Division and Lake Superior Court – Civil Division Alternative Dispute Resolution Fee Fund, A Non-Reverting Fund for the Deposit of Alternative Dispute Resolution Fees, Fund No. 409

12.3 **Resolution Amending Resolution No. 21-33**, the Resolution to Declare Funds dormant and Transfer Remaining Cash Balances to Appropriate Funds

Order #26 Agenda #12.1-12.10 cont'd

12.4 **Ordinance 1463B** Creating the Lake Circuit Court, Lake Superior Court – Juvenile Division and Lake Superior Court – Civil Division Alternative Dispute Resolution Co-Payment Fund, a Non-Reverting Fund for Co-Payments made by Litigants for Alternative Dispute Resolution Services, Fund No. 411

12.5 **Ordinance 1453B-8** Amending the Lake County Part-Time Employees Pay Rate Ordinance for 2021 Ordinance No.1453B for the Lake Superior Court, County Division III

12.6 **Ordinance 1463C** Establishing the Lake County Community Economic Development Departments U.S. Department of the Treasury American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Direct Grant Fund, a Non-Reverting Fund

12.7 **Ordinance 1459B-4 Amending Ordinance No. 1459B**, the Ordinance Declaring Funds Not Created by an Ordinance as Dormant and Inactive

12.8 **Ordinance 1459C-5 Amending Ordinance No. 1459C**, the Ordinance Declaring Funds Dormant and Repealing and Rescinding the Ordinance Establishing the Funds

12.9 **Ordinance 1463D** Creating the Lake County Superior Court, County Division 4, Problem Solving Grant Drug Court Grant Fund, a Non-Reverting Fund

12.10 **Ordinance 1463E** Establishing the Lake County Community Economic Development Department's U.S. Department of the Treasury Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Pass through Grand Fund, a Non-Reverting Fund

Order #27 Agenda #12.11

In the Matter of Council: 12.11 Amendment to 2021 Consulting Services Agreement for Jeanann Georgas Ficker.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to defer. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #28 Agenda #13.1-13.4

In the Matter of Financial Items: 13.1 – 13.4 Auditor: listed below; 13.5 Economic Development: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve agenda items 13.1 thru 13.5, Financial Items listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Financial Items

13.1 Auditor: Accounts Payable Voucher Register for County Payroll-Pay Date 8-30-2021

13.2 Auditor: Accounts Payable Voucher Register for County Payroll-Pay Date 9-13-2021

13.3 Auditor: LC 265 9/15/21 TO 10/20/21; Hand Cuts 9/15/21 to 10/20/21; LC130 9/15/2021 To 10-20-21

13.3 Auditor: Accounts Payable Voucher Register for County Payroll-Pay Date 9-27-2021

13.5 Economic Development: Accounts Payable Register of Claims

Order #29 Agenda #4.1

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.1 Two New Unused 2021 Backhoe Loader for L C Highway.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Two New Unused 2021 Backhoe Loader for Lake County Highway, the following bids were received:

McCann Industries	\$242,200.00
West Side Tractor Sales Co.	\$219,600.00

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 #30 Agenda 4.2

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.2 IBM Compatible Personal Computers.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for IBM Compatible Personal Computers for the year 2022 for Lake County Data Processing Department, the following bids were received:

BucherTech	\$10,180.48
Electronic Strategies, Inc.	\$ 9,227.02

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 #4.3

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.3 Re-roofing of the Highway Maintenance Building.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Re-roofing of the Highway Maintenance Building for Lake County Commissioners, the following bids were received:

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>
Maris and Son, Inc.	\$155,713.00	/ 2.50 sq ft
Babilla Roofing & Sheetmetal	\$171,675.00	/ 3.25 sq ft
Korellis Roofing, Inc.	\$153,080.00	/ 5.00 sq ft
Gluth Brothers Roofing Co., Inc.	\$180,000.00	/ 3.00 sq ft

Comes now, Tom Kuhn of CSK Architects, before the Board of Commissioners, recommended Korellis Roofing, Inc. be awarded as the low bidder.

Tippy made a motion to award Korellis Roofing, Inc. as the low bidder in the amount of \$153,080.00 for the Re-roofing of the Highway Maintenance Building and allow them to purchase materials immediately, Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #32 Agenda #4.5

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.5 New Chilled Water Pipe Insulation at Westwind.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for New Chilled Water Pipe Insulation at Westwind for Lake County Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Gatlin Plumbing and Heating, Inc. \$27,480.00

Tippy made a motion to award to Gatlin Plumbing and Heating, Inc. as the sole bidder in the amount of \$27,480.00 for New Chilled Water Pipe Insulation at Westwind, Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #33 Agenda #4.6

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.6 Penthouse Fan Divider Panels.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Penthouse Fan Divider Panels for Lake County Commissioners, the following bids were received:

D.A. Dodd \$75,875.00
Gatlin Plumbing and Heating, Inc. \$93,900.00

Tippy made a motion to award to D.A. Dodd as the low bidder in the amount of \$75,875.00 for Penthouse Fan Divider Panels, Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #34 Agenda #4.7

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.7 Video Surveillance Project.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Video Surveillance Project for Lake County Commissioners, the following bids were received:

	<u>Base Quote #1</u>	<u>Base Quote #2</u>	<u>Base Quote #3</u>
ATN Technology, Inc.	\$n/a	\$142,997	\$93,140
ProvenIT	\$252,167.40	\$n/a	\$n/a
Tri-Electronic, Inc.	\$124,531	\$116,190	\$n/a

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

Order #35 Agenda #4.8

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.8 Renovations to the 2nd Floor Courts (due date was extended).

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Renovations to the 2nd Floor Courts for Lake County Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Precision Builders, Inc. \$1,387,615.39
Gariup Construction Co., Inc. \$ 995,750.00
Gough, Inc. \$1,215,000.00
Powers & Sons Const. Co., Inc. \$1,099,000.00
The Pangere Corporation \$1,030,800.00

Tippy made a motion, seconded by Allen, to award to Gariup Construction Company, Inc. as the low bidder in the amount of \$995,750.00 for Renovations to the 2nd Floor Courts, Repay commented to have purchase orders created, Tippy stated you can't have the contract without the purchase order they go together, end comments. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #36 Agenda #4.9

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.9 Tree Clearing.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of proposals for Tree Clearing for Lake County Highway, the following proposals were received:

Russell Tree Service \$18,000.00

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to accept the recommendation of the Highway Engineer to approve the sole bid of Russell Tree Service in the amount of \$18,000.00 for Tree Clearing for Highway Department. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #37 Agenda #4.10

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses To Requests for Bids and Quotes: 4.10 Building Demolition removal 45th Avenue Phase III.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of proposals for Building Demolition removal 45th Avenue Phase III for Lake County Highway, the following proposals were received:

NO BIDS

The Board having received no bids, Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to allow the seeking of the open market for Building Demolition removal 45th Avenue Phase III, Duane Alverson, Highway engineer, present/spoke, estimated cost less than twenty thousand. Motion carried 3-0.

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Order #38 Agenda #14.1-14.4

In the Matter of Action on Bonds/Insurance: 14.1-14.4 Plan Commission: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve to release the performance bonds and certificate of insurance for agenda items 14.1 thru 14.4, on behalf of Lake County Plan Commission, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Action on Bonds/Insurance

- 14.1 Plan Commission: Performance Bond Release & Resolution – MacDonald’s Acres
- 14.2 Plan Commission: Performance Bond Release & Resolution – Holiday Creek Woods
- 14.3 Plan Commission: Performance Bond Acceptance for Laurie’s Acres
- 14.4 Commissioners: Certificate of Insurance for Hubinger Landscaping Corp. and SRI, Inc. to be made a matter of public record.

Order #39 Agenda #15.1

In the Matter of Approve Vendor Qualification Affidavits And/Or Responsible Bidder Applications: 15.1 Lake County Required PreQualification – Gibson Lewis, LLC.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to accept the Lake County Required Pre-Qualification from Gibson Lewis, LLC. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #40 Agenda #16.1-16.2

In the Matter of Staff Reports: 16.1 Weights & Measures: listed below; 16.2 Treasurer: listed below.

Allen made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record the Staff Reports from Weights & Measures and Lake County Treasurer, listed below. Motion carried 3-0.

Staff Reports

16.1 Lake County Weights & Measures Report for the period of August 16, 2021 to September 15, 2021 to be made a matter of public record

16.2 Treasurer Monthly Report – Month ending August 2021

Order #41 Agenda #17

In the Matter of Comments: Members of the Public; Elected Officials; Commissioners.

Comes now, the Board of Commissioners allow for Public Comment, Mr. Robert L. Buggs, Veteran and Elected Official, School Board President in Gary, Indiana, present/spoke, regarding his request to display Veteran Specialist George Osborne, whom killed in Vietnam in 1967, since that time Mr. Buggs stated he has been trying to get him to be recognized and had an article placed in the newspaper, requested to the Lake County Veteran’s Officer that his name be placed on the Wall of Honor in the Veteran’s Office and stated the Veterans Service Officer (Mr. Ray Guiden) said he would not put it up there, Mr. Buggs continued with comment stating that Mr. Guiden once stated he never received the paperwork then stated he didn’t qualify, Mr. Buggs continued to speak, stating that this young man is one of my best friends, he saved the lives of his comrades, some of his flesh was blown in the face of his comrades, and this one guy (referring to Mr. Guiden) said he would decide who goes on the Wall of Honor, Mr. Buggs stated he was insulted by that. Mr. Buggs continued comments to the Board, mentioning official documentation and paperwork has been handed to Commissioner Allen, and asked for some kind of recognition for the family and place his picture on the Wall of Honor, Mr. Buggs ended comments and thanked the Board.

Commissioner Repay and the other Board Members agreed to look further into the correct qualifications related to the request by Mr. Buggs and what they are and if need changing as to what is required for the Wall of Honor.

End comments.

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.

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

The following officials were Present:
Attorney Matthew Fech

MICHAEL REPAY, PRESIDENT

KYLE ALLEN Sr., COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN E. PETALAS, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR