

Randolph County Commissioners

July 6, 2021

The Randolph County Commissioners met at their regular meeting at 9:00AM in the Commissioners and Council Room in the Courthouse with the following members present: Board President Michael Wickersham, Tom Chalfant and Gary Girton. Also present was Randolph County Auditor Laura J Martin, Sheriff Art Moystner and County Attorney Meeks Cockerill.

Michael Wickersham, President presided over the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mike Haffner - Secretary appointment, Change of job description and hours

Mike Haffner said this is Erin Bleichrodt. She will be taking over full time the first of August, Jess is officially still in until the end of July. This is a position that has normally worked 35 hours while the Highway Department is at 40, it is structured a little different but I would like it to be 40 hours and Erin has agreed that she didn't have a problem with 40 hours. We would like to see if we could change the job description to 40 hours a week instead of 35. I will go to Council tomorrow to get the budget fixed.

Mike said that would be the same schedule as the Highway Department, 10 hours a day.

Mike Haffner said 7 to 5 Monday through Thursday.

Tom said is there any addition to the job description other than just the hours, is there more duties.

Mike Haffner said no, not at this time. That could possibly change in the future but at this point it would just be an hourly change. That would automatically move up the vacation and sick, all that would also change to be based on 40 instead of 35.

Paula asked what about lunch?

Mike Haffner said the Highway works a straight 10 hours, it would be the same because she is the only one in the office, so she has no relief. At least that is what I am recommending.

Mike asked does that answer your question Paula?

Paula said she gets a paid lunch.

Mike said just as a Highway employee does. Yes. That is what is being recommended. So, how is the 35 hours calculated now for Jessica?

Paula said we are all 35 hours with an hour of unpaid lunch..

Mike Haffner said Jessica is 35 without lunch.

Mike said Jessica is 35 without lunch.

Paula said that was changed. That was not the original set up, if Meeks remembers.

Meeks said it was ½ hour lunch.

Mike said so, what are Jessica's hours now?

Mike Haffner said she works from 8 to 4:45.

Tom said that's more than 35 hours.

Mike said it is 4 days a week. We have to offer her time off in there, so it would be a paid lunch that she would receive.

Meeks said Erwin, our consultant did not like that at all, a paid lunch, you have to take time off. He told us that, right Paula?

Paula said yes.

Meeks said that is why we originally set it up for Jessica to take ½ hour lunch.

Mike said that was changed, your saying now that Jessica does get paid for the ½ hour.

Mike Haffner said she does get paid.

Mike said I am going to ask the question, is 40 hours something that is a deal breaker on you joining us?

Erin said no.

Mike said I would recommend that we keep the same hours that Jessica has now to begin with and see how that works out, see how Erin does and revisit that maybe after the first of the year.

Mike Haffner said with the change, we need more time until she gets up to speed, the more hours I can get her for training purposes and learning the job. We were in a situation we were actually looking at a part time on top of that so I was thinking if we could get this up to 40 hours then that would help. We can table it until a later date and I will gather information on stuff that has to be done immediately but I was in the process, there is a lot of paperwork coming down through the pike and specially with our grant stuff going on, it takes a lot of time.

Mike said what if we compromised and said 38 hours with ½ hour unpaid lunch.

Mike Haffner said it would be a Meeks question but I know Gary Friend and I have talked and by state statute if you are on lunch you cannot conduct business. You can't answer phones and stuff like that because you are on lunch break and if you're an only entity then theoretically it's what Gary Friend was talking about is illegal because if she is clocked out then she can't answer the phone or she can't wait on a customer that comes in. Theoretically that is why the Highway switched over to a non-paid lunch, because there is nobody there to help cover, so if she is on break, she's theoretically not allowed to do this stuff.

Tom said is that a problem to change the budget at the first of the year?

Mike said probably.

Mike Haffner said again, this is just a recommendation. Mainly we need to get her appointed. The hours can be looked at later. I would just like to get it at 40 hours instead of 35 to utilize and extra 5 hours of work through the week.

Mike asked what do you think Gary?

Gary said I understand the need for time to learn the whole process, there is so much to learn and also the fact of all the extra work that is coming through this time of year would be a challenge for anybody doing the job, whether or not they have 4 or 6 years of training. I don't know, I don't know if we could have her work 40 hours a month or so in order to catch up with extra material before Jessica leaves.

Mike said really what we are changing is, we are adding 1 hour and 15 minutes a day 4 days a week to the highway budget for the secretary's assistance.

Mike Haffner said if it is approved to finish this year out, I will transfer, because right now we have no assistant, so I will just transfer money out of that into the office administrator line and then we would have to redo our budget for 2022 to accommodate the extra hours.

Mike said there is no question that the complexity and the mass of paperwork that comes down from the state is growing every day in the Highway Department. It is a much more complicated department. The more training and hours we can give in that administrative work is going to be a benefit, I would hope to the entire department so your time would become more efficient and you can do more on the road and with the employee's. I would agree with Mike's recommendation and just do 8 to 5 four days a week with a paid lunch. We don't have an assistant there, so we don't have anybody to cover when you're on the road.

Mike Haffner said it would be 7 to 5.

Tom said the mechanic covers now?

Mike Haffner said the mechanic covers the best they can. I am usually there until about 7:30 and then I a lot of times have to leave to go help run the crews. At closing time, there is a few minutes that the mechanics have to take over. It would be nice if we could just make this the same hours as the guys. That way we don't have to worry about the coverage.

Tom made a motion to appoint Erin Bleichrodt as the secretary of the Highway Department. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike made a motion to recommend to the Council that we fund the Highway Department's office administrator at 40 hours per week with a paid lunch and that the job description changes from 7 am to 5 pm four days a week with a paid lunch. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Robin Vickery - Grant approval

Robin said I am here with a letter of support that the Commissioner's, usually the President signs off on.

Mike said this is to the Community Corrections Section to Kristen Banschbach. Please consider this letter as our support for the Community Corrections program in Randolph County. Randolph County Community Corrections has the Commissioners approval to apply for grant funding through the Indiana Department of Corrections grant application. We also pledge our commitment to continuing to provide cost effective and efficient programming while providing evidence-based practices for our local offenders. Thank you for your past and future support of our Community Corrections program. And this is the same grant we apply for every year?

Robin said yes, it is.

Mike said which we have supported every year.

Gary made a motion to approve the letter as submitted. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Robin said we also had an advisory board member that resigned, Larena Medler from the Probation Department and there has to be another adult probation officer that is mandated so Jason Huxhold, I spoke with him, our advisory board approved that recommendation and so we are asking that the Commissioner's approve Jason Huxhold as the new Advisory Board member replacing Larena Medler.

Gary made a motion to accept the recommendation as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Robin said one other think I should bring up, is that when the grant goes through the process and it needs a signature, in the past the state has recommended and the Commissioner's have approved for Laura to sign off on that grant. I didn't know if you want to go ahead and approve for her to sign that when it comes through. That is what we have been doing.

Mike said it sounds good to me.

Tom made a motion to allow Laura Martin to sign off on the Community Corrections grant. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Todd Durnil, Pyramid Consulting - Payment of rebar \$27,000.00

Todd said I discovered on Friday that I was going to be here to discuss this and accumulated the documents over the weekend and it looks to me like it is not a rebar payment, it looks to me like its submittals and mobilization charges. But I am still not completely comfortable and I have not gotten a good response out of the contractor. I would say let's put this off and let me dig into it a little bit more and get back to you.

Mike said we need to know what were paying for. If the contractor can't reply to you in a good way then I would say we shouldn't be paying them anything.

Todd said part of the problem is that he is on towers across the country and is difficult to get a hold of. Our two new generators are arriving this week, so the electrician should be working on those. That's the last thing, there is a claim for them that came in Friday, the only thing left was the generators.

Tom asked do you know what the specs are on those generators?

Todd said I can't tell you right off my head but they're not as big as what you have at the highway.

Mike said there just running the system?

Todd said right, which is not really a big power draw. The battery backups for them, we are downsizing them because the computers just don't pull the power that they used to.

Gary asked did they start the installation of the equipment, J & K? They said they were scheduled for the 28th.

Todd said they had that scheduled but then they looked at the weather forecast, they are wanting to get a full week in and the weather forecast was for rain everyday so they waved off, I don't have, Chris was there an updated date when they were going to do the antennas?

Chris said I think it is the 15th or something.

Mike asked what is the status of the 4.8 megahertz, I saw some emails that said they were going to install that on the towers.

Todd said yes, the Feds have agreed not to make a change in whatever their policy was, the current policy stands so they are going ahead with what we originally purchased.

Mike said that is good news.

Gary said they won't make an official decision until September, is that right?

Todd said right. We still got three other clients that are in the same boat. The equipment is purchased so why not install it and get ready for it.

Gary said our understanding Todd is that J & K's going to install the equipment then they will be permitted to test it, then they have to shut it down until they get approval in September. Right?

Todd said I don't know for sure.

Gary said that is what I was told.

Ceann Bales -Randolph County READ! grant. Resolution 2021-10 Tower King questions

Ceann said I have a few things to talk to you guys about. The first thing I wanted to discuss with you is the READI grant, I sent some information, I think some of you have heard about it already, this is an initiative that Governor Holcomb signed through the state budget, basically what they are doing is designating \$500,000,000.00 in state appropriations to promote strategic investments, the real goal is to help retain and attract people to Indiana as the projections of course we are losing population. That is the reason behind it. The first thing the grant asked for is by the end of June, July was for County's in the state to define their regions and so we had to do that, our board voted to go in with the already established 21st Century Talent region network that we are a part of, I have updated you on, it was through the state workforce development and so our region decided, we actually met with IEDC folks in Muncie and talked to them about our idea of doing that as a region and they really liked that. They were really discouraging people to create new regions just for this grant, that is happening but they are pleased that we were looking at not doing that. Basically that 21st Century Talent consist of actually ten counties but three of our counties decided not to go forth with us on this. Our seven counties that applied for as a region and has been approved is Grant, Jay, Delaware, Wayne, Henry, Blackford and us. The other three that are in our 21st Century Talent that our not in with this one is Rush, Rush County decided to go with 174 a new region that was being created, Madison is going with Fishers and that region and Fayette County decided that they did not have the capacity to do this at this time, so they are not part of this process.

Mike said what about Union, I read something about Union was undecided.

Ceann said Union was undecided and they are still undecided. I don't know if they went with somebody else, they are not with us. ECIRP, if you know that, that's Mindy Kenworthy's group that we are a part of, it's the East Central Indiana Regional Partnership, they are going to serve as the lead agency on behalf of our region and so they have applied for that and one of the things that we had to do was to commit \$15,000.00 for the planning grant, the first check was we would get \$50,000.00 planning grant but then we had to match that 2 to 1. Each County committed \$15,000.00 that we put in and our board voted to do that through our funds, through our capital funds, that has already been designated, that's been done so we could be in the game, to be a part of the planning process and be part of that. However each county is also needing to commit and additional \$15,000.00 to help further the process with the capacity to manage the grant, oversee

the grant so each county is being asked to put in another \$15,000.00 for that effort that would go directly to ECIRP and that organization to help them with the capacity to manage this grant, move forward and so that is why I'm here on one stand point for the \$15,000.00 then also looking at each county is being asked to consider passing a resolution at the county level and I think you received that in your email that there's a resolution that all counties, the other counties have, are signing those at the county level. Some of them are also signing them at the city level, it is just based on what everybody wants to do. My request to you about the READI grant is twofold. One regarding resolution and two a consideration of matching Randolph County United's \$15,000.00 with \$15,000.00 form EDIT money to solidify the \$30,000.00 that we need to pursue and proceed with this grant at this time.

Tom asked you said it is \$500,000,000.00?

Ceann said it is \$500,000,000.00 so there is going to be ten, they are going to award up to \$50,000,000 per region, is what you can get. That is the max, you don't have to apply for the max but the max is \$50 million.

Mike asked will there be more matching funds required to get this \$50,000,000.00?

Ceann said yes, that is the thing about the grant, it is significant matching funds in my mind. It's 4 to 1 match.

Mike said I thought the 2 to 1 was kind of shocking.

Ceann said 4 to 1 match and then the other issue within the 4 to 1 is one of the four has to be public money and so again, the goal of the state is to try and leverage all this money that is coming down to be used in a thoughtful and strategic manner. The one nice thing is that you can use even though this is, usually you can't use other state or federal money to match, they are allowing that because again we have talked with the leado's in the other regions that's really trying to push some of this public money that's coming down to be put into this nest to truly leverage more money for the state in that manner. It is a big thing. We have had one meeting with our committee that's made up that region, we have hired a consultant, it is American Structure Point and Taylor, Seeker and Williams Design Group. Of course, I am familiar with American Structure Point, they have done work for us before but TSVG is their acronym, they are actually architects, landscape architects and strategic planners, they have three offices in Indy and two in Kentucky so they are rather large. They are leading us and then American Structure Point is coming in with them. They are the consultants that a group of our representatives hired last week and we've had one meeting with them just as a planning process. The project proposals, basically how this works, other regions have already started doing this, our project proposals will be pushed out mid-July, 7/12 and will be returned on 7/30. Basically, what is going to be we can send those to the cities, we can put those in the newspapers, we'll advertise it and anybody who wants to submit a proposal for consideration to this committee will be considered as part of the regional process and then the committee will decide what's in the final application at the end of August. It is a very tight time line August 30th is the deadline, there's some talk that IEC may push that back but were operating under the deadline of the end of August.

Mike said this \$15,000.00 that Randolph United has put up is that match a requirement of the IEDC?

Ceann said yes, that is matching for the planning grant, so we could get the planning grant. That is what we needed by the end of June.

Mike said and the \$15,000.00 that were being asked to put up, is that required by IEDC?

Ceann said no, thank you for clarifying that, that's from our group because we know that we can't proceed with this and we need to put that into the grant on how we are going to sustain and manage this grant process through ECIRP and so part of our grant application is that we are going to be hiring a person who is designated to oversee, managing this process.

Mike asked will that count as a future match?

Ceann said it will not.

Mike asked who is the committee that is going to decide the final project?

Ceann said I didn't bring all the names but it is all the ledo's will be on it, so people in my roles, they are having a K-12 representative and Jay County has submitted their school superintendent to that.

Mike said each county will have that?

Ceann said no, we need one K-12 representative, so Jay County has said their school superintendent will serve in that role, then we need a higher education rep, only one on this committee and Ball State's Becca Rice is serving in that capacity.

Mike said Jay County submitted their superintendent, so who chooses who says that is the one we want?

Ceann said the 7 ledo's. We have a list, so they need somebody from the private sector small business, private large business, a Community Foundation rep, a health care rep, an intrapreneur rep, workforce development rep, higher ed and K-12. To keep the committee small, so then each of us can pick one of those slots for somebody from our community to make sure it is diverse. Jay County got K-12, Delaware got Higher Ed, Ball State, Grant got intrapreneur and put on Adam Cline from Heartland Harvest, Delaware County also got Health Care through IU Health, Tourism is still open, Henry County took the foundation spot for Jennifer Fox, Wayne County took the large business, Randy Templin, Got Foods and I took the small business for Mike Wickersham.

Mike said the reason I ask is because I always feel like we are the step child with East Central Indiana Regional Partnership. If we are putting up funds, I don't want to be the step child

anymore. I feel, not just us but I think Jay, Henry, Grant and Blackford are all treated the same by Delaware County.

Ceann said we had a very candid conversation about that. Tracy Luden who is on our ECIRP as a Delaware rep and she completely agrees and has no qualms about that, we had a very honest conversation about that as we were proceeding down this road.

Tom said did you decide how to carve the money out based on a formula?

Ceann said no, it is just going to be project based because it is also about how much money we can put in as well.

Tom said I would like to know what each county is going get out of this.

Mike said we would know that prior to the 4 to 1 match. But we are not going to know that now. If we want to proceed were going to have to at least the county is going to have to come up with \$15,000.00 someway or another to proceed down this road.

Ceann said my thought on that, just now thinking about that, let's not approve the \$15,000.00 right now, because in my thinking, let me ask one more question. Let me ask, let's say worst case scenario, this is a great question that Gary Crist asked what guarantee do we have that we will get a project. I dug into that and asked after our board meeting and we don't have a guarantee, so I'm wondering if, say we don't get a project, or we decide we don't want a project or we don't get selected, we get pushed out, worst case scenario, then would we have to pay the \$15,000.00 to hire a person to manage the grant when we don't have skin in the game. Let me ask that question, maybe then the \$15,000.00 would be contingent on.

Mike said okay, I guess were having faith that the other six counties are going to put up \$15,000.00.

Ceann said I don't know how many of them have already go it secured, I can't tell you how many. The only one I know off the top of my head is Wayne but I could get the answer on the others.

Mike said I am okay with doing that. Table it for two weeks.

Ceann said yes, and I will get that answer. What are your thoughts on the resolution. The resolution is just saying that were going to apply and commit to it.

Tom said I would like to read that.

Ceann said you want to wait two weeks on that.

Tom said yes, why do we need a resolution just to give \$15,000.00. I'm okay with saying this is a good idea.

Ceann said it is just to go in with our grant application to say number one your aware of it and your committed to it.

Mike said the resolution says that we are going to participate in this grant process, in order to seek funding for our region of up to \$50,000,000.00. It doesn't commit us to anything.

Ceann said it does not commit us to anything.

Mike said it does not commit us to any matching funds.

Ceann said correct.

Mike said I think if we don't act on it today then were not going to be able to act on it, well Council could act on it tomorrow because Council is part of this.

Ceann said correct, I've got it on Council agenda for tomorrow.

Mike said I wouldn't have an issue with passing that resolution.

Gary said I think we need to show that we are committed to this.

Mike said I appreciate Ceann suggesting we table the \$15,000.00 administrative payment to see if it's contingent upon, the administration is to proceed once we get the grant. It's not the administration for the planning, the planning is going to be by volunteer I presume.

Ceann said correct.

Tom said we are already in the hole, we condone the way our government doles out money to us basically.

Gary made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-10 as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Mike said you had some TowerKing questions?

Ceann said TowerKing sent these questions out to our committee, David Lenkensdofer is here and he recommended that these questions be brought forth to you to answer. It goes along with what I need for the broadband ready community anyway. You can see that they have three questions that they wanted you to consider and answer for them, they're looking at who would be the main contact for their team to proceed, I know what he was thinking. Can we have a main point of contact so we are not waiting every two weeks to ask questions or etc., I'm not sure how that would work. We also need a main point of contact, I am thinking it would be the same person for the broadband ready community that I am trying to get us classified as. One of the things with that application is that we have a main point of contact.

Tom said I think it should be one of the three Commissioner's.

Gary said since Council is involved I think that two could work together, a representative from the Council and a representative from the Commissioner's.

Tom said two contacts?

Gary said have one contact but the decision could be made by a discussion of those two because they could meet anytime without a posting. Also, they could get input from the tech committee. The decision could not have to be made within an hour it could be made within a day or so.

Mike said you would be in favor of naming a Commissioner or a Councilman as a person to be the main contact and that contact seek the council of the noncontact Council person or Commissioner.

Gary said plus the input from the tech committee.

Mike said you are on the tech committee are you not?

Gary said yes.

Mike said who from the Council is on the tech committee?

Gary said David Lenkensdofer.

Mike said would it be appropriate for us to say that you would be the main point of contact and trust you to seek Dave's council. My concern would be that if you and Dave don't agree, what is going to happen there. Are you going to seek a third person?

Meeks said what kind of decision are you going to be making?

Mike said we are hoping that this point of contact would be authorized to act on behalf of the Commissioner's so that there is not unnecessary delay on progress while we wait for a County board meeting.

Meeks said I am not sure what's on behalf of the Commissioners, what does that detail? If it's red or black that's one thing, if you're going to start extending public funds, I think the Commissioner's have to decide that.

Mike said I think it is probably more into the details after we've committed to spend public funds to build this tower.

Meeks said I think that needs to be more defined what decisions are you expecting this person to make.

Mike said the second question is, as a primary goal of this project is to provide internet to as many rural citizens as possible, were not sure if it is appropriate to charge the internet service

provider monthly rent to use these towers. It is possible that these providers might now want to use the towers and forcing them to pay rent could cause them not to provide their service. That is kind of different than what their initial proposal was. The initial proposal, at least the literature they shared with us is that they would market the towers to get rent from internet providers and if we are going to give them space on the towers then I think we would probably want some sort of defined cost to the property owner as to what that internet service is going to cost them. If I'm getting charged by a provider \$100.00 a month in which they put the tower up and we put the tower up and give them space instead of getting \$100.00 a month that doesn't seem right to me. I don't know how those details are worked out and maybe that is what the contact is supposed to work out. That is a decision that needs to be made and there again is that something the technology committee has talked about, providing free space on these towers.

Gary said it was discussed but a decision has not been made.

Mike said I would like to hear that recommendation as well.

Ceann said the technology committee meets next Wednesday night, so we can meet next Wednesday night and then bring their thoughts back when I come back with the READ! grant. Can we do that?

Mike said sure.

Ceann said I need more definition on what decision they will be making from TowerKing. I need to get a recommendation from the technology committee about rent on the towers.

Mike said part of that is if they pay rent then they can do what they want on the internet service provided, if they don't pay rent, then are we going to request some sort of a subsidy for the new users? Because if we are doing this to help the people of Randolph County, were building a tower and not charging rent then the people of Randolph County should benefit from the lower cost of internet service in those rural areas.

Ceann said I can get that information from the technology and bring that back to you as well and then we can decide. The broadband, we need to be a broadband ready community to be able to access these funds that are coming through and the last thing, Laura sent me the ordinance, you guys have already passed an ordinance, we already have a committee which is a task force that you have to have, which we are considering our technology committee. The last thing I need before I can submit that application to OCRA, it takes about three weeks to get approve is a point of contact. Do you want that to be the same, do you want to wait two weeks to submit that application? I would prefer not to because if it's going to take three to four, that money is coming through, they said it was going to come through in July, have you heard anything more for the internet broadband money that's coming through the state.

Dave said I don't think they have totally processed that yet.

Mike said for a broadband ready community if our point of contact, I would again go back to either Gary or Dave would be our contact for a broadband ready community and then we can still

get those questions answered from TowerKing and find out if that point of contact can take the place of Commissioner's.

Ceann said that would be helpful, then I can get that submitted today.

Gary said I would suggest it be Dave, he has more time to handle those issues.

Dave said I still feel this is a Commissioner's function.

Gary said alright.

Mike said I will nominate Gary as our point of contact for the broadband ready community. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Ceann said I am going to hold my quarterly update since I will be coming back in two weeks.

Zach Schoenfeld, EDPR - Road use agreement

Zach said I came originally on the agenda with the intention of having an amended RUA, we don't have that today but probably better for it to go this way to get a verbal understanding. The two things, this is the last exhibit from the RUA that was previously agreed and approved by EDP and the Commissioners. You'll see the key effectively what it shows and its color code is roads that we would use and maintain throughout the construction. Really what I want to talk about today is post construction repairs. You have two exhibits, one is the previously approved RUA, this exhibit is just a map from Mr. Fisher of Indiana Earth Works and Don Peterman from our construction team, in short this is their key map roads, red was either not used or they were used but maintained and don't require in their opinion post construction repairs. Yellow and orange which are roads that were used maintained but, in their opinion, as well as this blue road here 1200 Win their opinion require post construction repairs. I guess the first thing, I'm happy to announce that all 49 turbines of this project have been erected and are operational. Obviously as a part of that operational date one of our many agreements is the road use agreement that we now have to come to resolution on. The difference between those two documents are really no different, the majority of roads within the windfarm are deemed to have been again in our opinion and with a representative consensus have been used and maintained. What is highlighted there is 27 ½ miles of roads that have been used and maintained but need post construction repair. What was previously agreed on the official drawing exhibit there is I believe 12 ½ miles of chip and seal repair, after consulting with construction folks, Mr. Chalfant, looking at that inspection we've identified 27 ½ and what we have come to a decision or like to propose is there is 27 ½ miles received and repair of asphalt overlay, the majority of that 2 ½ inches in thickness, the other so 25 ½ miles 2 ½ inches thick, first patch and repair pot holes and then 2 ½ inches of asphalt overlay. Two miles just need 1 ½ of overlay. I wanted to present that to the board of Commissioner's and see if that scope of work would be acceptable, if so, we have a request in to amend the RUA to capture a few things based on our understanding the county could use EDP's support in having this work performed. The way the RUA was originally written was that the County Commissioner's Superintendent would use what was already deposited, have a scope of work defined, we would pay the difference, we've provided a scope of work that far exceeds the original deposit, we would like to propose that, if you agree, ask for

the refund and have the RUA amended to capture all that. In short do you want us to take on the work yes or no now that the Headwater's II windfarm work is complete, secondly is the 27 ½ miles of pavement, asphalt repair and overlay acceptable in lieu of what was previously 12 ½ miles of chip and seal.

Mike said this is what Scott and your engineer.

Zach said our construction site manager inspected the highlighted the needing versus not needing repair. Yes, sir.

Mike said the red is not needing repair.

Zach said red is not needing repair, has been used and maintained.

Mike asked Mike Haffner, have you seen this?

Mike Haffner said no I have not.

Mike said Scott is here, so you've seen this.

Tom said Scott has probably spent 120 hours working on this for us.

Mike said Zach, the yellow on here, everything else on here but the red gets 2 ½ inches of overlay except for 2 miles?

Zach said yes, the two miles being 1200 W, so the blue.

Mike said everything else except the yellow and the black and the orange is all going to get 2 ½ inches of overlay.

Zach said that would be our proposal yes, sir.

Mike said that 25 ½ miles?

Zach said 27 ½ in total.

Mike asked Tom have you been out and driven the red roads on here?

Tom said yes.

Mike said you are okay with this?

Tom said yes, we hammered this out pretty much the last month or so.

Scott Fisher said there are two places that are marked red here, that will actually be paved. That is 1100 S of Hwy 35 and 1000 S.

Mike said those will get the 2 ½ inch overlay.

Scott said yes, they will.

Mike said are they included in the 27 ½ miles.

Scott said they are included.

Mike said so that should really be orange or yellow.

Scott said yes.

Mike asked are you okay with that Zach?

Zach said yes.

Mike said I know the road use agreement says you'll pay us and we'll do the work. Are you now proposing that you go ahead and contract and have the work done?

Zach said if that is what the county would prefer.

Mike said what we want is what we had in Headwater's I and that is roads are as good or better than they were before you started. That is what we are hoping to get.

Mike Haffner said what about 900 W? That road is severely cracked throughout, it is going to have to be 3-inch grind, removal and put back.

Scott Fisher said I would have to disagree with you.

Mike said 900 W south of 36.

Zach said it's north of 36.

Mike said it is kind of a different color all together.

Scott said it actually isn't marked up, it's got some spot paving to be done and repairs to be done on it.

Mike said where the orange is it's going to get paving?

Scott said yes.

Mike said as far as that it is going to be repaired and then paved?

Scott said it is going to be spot paved, its going to be patched in places it's cracked, it will be ground out and repaved. There are a few places, two cranes crossings on that road that will be overlaid. There is another spot on 500 S and 900 W, the road was actually built up 3 feet there, that will be resurfaced for about 350 to 400 feet long.

Mike asked, is that just south of 500 S?

Scott said yes, it is.

Mike said these orange dots on here are just repairs?

Zach said yes sir, as opposed to the majority of that stretch basically.

Mike said 900 Wis the Highway 1 bypass isn't it? We have had issues with that for a long time.

Tom said it is showing some age to it.

Zach said from this meeting, the general consensus of the idea, that map will transform into a more official drawing, as your looking at there, so we will amend that exhibit that is a part of the RUA.

Mike said I like this one, it is easier to read.

Zach said I agree and that is why I brought it. But we will effectively transpose that off onto the more official drawing for the RUA which is the official agreement to take place. Before we go to the trouble of amending and sourcing work and etcetera we wanted to come today and present you with that and see if the board would approve.

Mike said Mike I know you just seen this, this morning so I guess other than 900 W are there any other stand outs on here that are not covered?

Mike Haffner said yes, 1100 W.

Mike said 1100 W where?

Mike said basically between 700 and 800 in my opinion is not in the best shape.

Scott said between 700 and 800 did not have any truck traffic on it but yet we are actually resurfacing it. 700 and 800 gets resurfaced and it was a road that had nothing but pickup traffic on it.

Mike Haffner said when Tom and I were driving around there was an awful lot of truck traffic on it.

Mike said there is a red line between 700 and 800 on 1100 W.

Scott said this is one of the original drawings and that is what EDP had said, it was marked as no truck traffic. The proposal of 27 ½ miles does include paving from 800 S all the way to 400 S, it's a four-mile stretch.

Mike said it is not depicted on here, it stops at 700 S.

Scott said the proposal of 27 ½ miles does take it to 800 S.

Mike said that circle should be orange too.

Zach said Scott do you happen to have an updated drawing?

Scott said not with me.

Zach said I can forward an updated drawing.

Mike said that shouldn't have had truck traffic because it looks like there is a river that runs through, it looks like there is a bridge on there.

Zach said it was just pickup trucks.

Mike said that is going to be resurfaced.

Scott said 1100 W gets resurfaced from 800 S to 400 S and then just north of 400 S there is a crane crossing that will get overlaid.

Mike said I like the idea of EDPR taking responsibility for the roads and repairing the roads, taking the burden off of our highway department. I think we all come to recognize that 12 ½ is not enough and 27 ½ and 40 1/2, I heard that number thrown out and it may be too many. I am okay with the recommendation based upon Tom's involvement and Scott's involvement and I would be okay to move forward with an amended road use agreement.

Gary asked where are we at, is this an addendum, the culverts and bridges, which may have been affected, I don't know if they were. There was one at least that we talked about.

Zach said there is and I didn't bring that exhibit, it is a separate exhibit all together. Most of the focus on road surfaces, there is an exhibit similar to the drawing there that is more specific to drainage and affected culverts and that kind of thing.

Gary said it is an addition not an addendum?

Zach said it is just a separate exhibit altogether.

Mike said just one needs to be replaced?

Tom said we got an engineering report on the one on 700 S, the bridge there.

Zach said I will take a closer look at that separate exhibit.

Mike said what we are talking about this morning is just the road use agreement?

Gary asked who is going to be overseeing that from our perspective?

Tom said Scott Fisher is probably going to be involved in it.

Gary said involved or overseeing it.

Scott said I will be involved every step of the way.

Tom said Gary wants to know if you are overseeing or how you will be involved in it.

Scott said we are overseeing it every step of the way.

Mike asked who was our inspector?

Tom said it is Andrew Shannon.

Mike said there is funds to pay him to do that, I would assume he would be inspecting the finished product as well as the damage done.

Tom said he has not been very involved in the whole process.

Mike asked if they had been fully paid?

Tom said I don't know.

Scott said I only have one copy of this but everything that has been highlighted on this sheet is asphalt.

Zach said that would be a more up to date version.

Mike Haffner said on 1200 that is a grind, a 1 ½ inch grind and replacement. And on 900 it will actually be grinding and repair, they are not building the road up.

Mike said to answer your question Gary, unless we, Scott is going to be involved. In the past that inspector was paid for by EDPR early on, there was an agreed amount and that inspection should cover beginning and finish. If we had an inspector that's not doing the work, I hope he hasn't been fully paid.

Zach said the county inspector is Andrew Shannon?

Tom said yes.

Zach said I will touch base with that individual and understand the arrangement there.

Mike said if he doesn't have the time or capability to do it, I have no problem with Scott. I think we need to make that decision. What you are asking us to do today is to amend the road use agreement which would be reflective of this new exhibit of 27 ½ miles, which includes less roads that are red on here.

Zach said yes and I will bring in two weeks, when you meet again on Monday, that day we will bring an official revised road use agreement with this captured for an official execution. But today an agreement to the notion that we can proceed with drafting that. The developer deposit, I'm not sure how that process goes, we will need that reimburse, refunded to proceed with kicking off the work.

Mike said sure. Do we have a consensus?

Gary said I am more pleased with this presentation than we've had in the past and I think that I can say today that I'm pleased with the position that EDP is taken on the roads at this time and I hope that when they are finished that I am equally pleased which I think I will be.

Zach said I think so. Final thing is that EDP is looking to donate two small grants, \$1,000.00 each to the Board of Commissioners to then be distributed to First Responders in the County. I assume you guys would accept free monies. Obviously, we can't tell you where to directly put it, we have had conversations with both the Ridgeville and Winchester Police Departments on necessities, K9 and radio equipment. But we would like to offer \$1000.00 each, \$2000.00 total to County First Responders.

Mike said that is nice, we appreciate that. As far as radio's are concerned, I think every first responder's in the county is going to be looking at new radio's in the next 6-months or so. Just because of the changing system. I appreciate that, thank you. Do you want us to vote to accept that?

Zach said please.

Tom made a motion to accept the \$2000.00 in grant money from EDPR going to first responders in Randolph County. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Chris Beasley, EDPR- Riverstart Solar Farm Roads

Chris said there has been quite a lot of traffic volume within the Riverstart construction site, the roads are quite narrow and of course it's a construction site so there has been a lot of temporary repairs. With that in mind we would like to request reducing the speed limits within the construction area just to promote site safety and the well being of everyone traveling through and within the site. We propose either permanent signage or temporary, either works, we really are just interested in getting some signs up there to try and slow down traffic as much as possible.

Mike asked what speed are you recommending?

Chris said I think if we did permanent signage 40 mph would be appropriate and if we went with temporary signage we would like to go down to 30 mph. If you look at the second page of the hand out it simply just shows the same exhibit from our original road use agreement with all the roads in question highlighted. The only roads that were excluded were essentially the last mile stretch of 600 where that road gets quite a bit wider, you got the dump over there and that road is definitely built for the traffic.

Mike asked do you have any idea how many miles this is?

Chris said it is around 12 or 14 miles.

Mike asked how many signs would that require Mike?

Mike Haffner if you got a three-mile stretch, all one stretch, you would probably want to have a couple in that full three miles, but then you are going to have to post a backup. I would have to see it. Off the top of my head 20 or 25 signs.

Mike said I think it would be appropriate that we do something in that area. That was the advantage of EDPR the first time, they came in turned everything to gravel and that forces you to slow down.

Tom said I think it is probably a good idea for safety.

Mike said temporary or permanent?

Tom said I would probably make it temporary right now and see what the roads are like when they are completed.

Mike asked are you proposing to pay for the signs or do you want us to pay for the signs?

Chris said it's pretty open, we could have our contractor provide signage or if you would want more temporary signs just to have on hand, I am not seeing that as an issue for EDPR to compensate that.

Gary said I think we need them, I have driven these roads quite a few times over the last couple of months since they've started, some are worse than others, but some are definitely an issue.

Mike said I think all county roads should be 40 mph.

Gary said I agree, but you won't get that done.

Mike asked do we want to pass an ordinance for temporary speed limits.

Meeks said if it is going to be temporary it will need to go from a certain date until a certain date.

Tom said we can't say until the completion of the project?

Meeks said not in an ordinance, you can extend your ordinance.

Mike said or we can nullify the ordinance or amend the ordinance if it finishes early.

Meeks said yes, you just need to put something in there.

Gary said we are talking about 2 months before it will even go into effect?

Meeks said to write a ticket, it is 30 days after the last publication. If you want to pass it at your next meeting, you have to advertise it twice. The second advertisement can be on the County web site. Basically 5 weeks, if we post it to our web site after the first publication.

Chris said could we post the signs as soon as the ordinance is past?

Meeks said yes, you just couldn't write tickets.

Chris said the sooner the better, I think just posting would really be useful.

Tom asked do you have an anticipation of when you will be done?

Chris said the goal is 11/1. A lot of times these projects do push back months, we will be pushing really hard to get this thing done by end of year.

Gary said they are not going to be able to correct the roads though.

Mike said I would say we would be better off to make it longer and come back nullify it.

Gary said I would say one year because we are looking to some type of modification and improvement to the roads. I think a year.

Meeks said July 1, 2022 or do you want August 1, 2022?

Mike said August 1, 2022.

Meeks said effective upon duly signed and published.

Mike said 30 mph.

Chris said depending on the road, can we work with Mike and the construction team to see which one's should be 30 and which should be 40 mph?

Mike said okay, so for temporary, even some would be 40?

Chris said yes.

Mike said we are going to have to define that by July 20th.

Meeks said send me an email with what is 30 and what is 40. I need the email by next Tuesday.

Chris said that shouldn't be a problem. Will the county be providing the temporary signage or will EDPR?

Mike said you offered.

Chris said if you want to provide the signage, we can reimburse you for it or we can provide our own signage.

Tom said we might be able to provide them cheaper than you.

Mike Haffner said I would have to get a cost. Theoretically, I would recommend EDPR buy it all that way if they want to take them up and reuse them on future projects, it would be theirs and their liability and their responsibility.

Meeks said can you get them a cost?

Mike Haffner said I can, but I don't know off the top of my head.

Mike said that does not need to be part of the ordinance.

Meeks said it is not going to be part of the ordinance.

Mike said it will be an agreement between us.

Mike Haffner said let me give it to the sign guy and have him work up an estimate. That is stuff we don't keep in stock and right now we are still waiting on our order for signage. They have been back ordered twice and we have not been able to receive any sign posts.

Mike said we will figure that out as we pass the ordinance. Hopefully we will pass the ordinance July 20th we can suspend the rules and get that done that day.

Chris said that would be great.

Other Business:

Art Moystner, Randolph County Sheriff

Transfer from Commissioner's CCD to Sheriff's CCD \$15,000.00

Art handed out the commissary report.

Mike said you could buy radios with this.

Art said maybe, I am watching to see what happens with our budget this year, depending on what they do with vehicles, we may have to try and squeeze another vehicle out of that too. It might be an option. There are a couple different things, one of them that is actually on the agenda is a transfer from the Commissioner's CCD to the Sheriffs CCD of \$15,000.00. I can tell you that the last time I checked that line it is getting really close to the \$1,000.00 mark. I can tell you that I have two repairs that have to be done to the building, I have a few inmate showers that are starting to leak, so they are going to need to come in and weld those. I have already told them to get started on so we can get the leaks stopped and we have a sanitizer in the kitchen that needs some pieces and parts. We are going to get it fixed for the time being. That is one of the items is the transfer, the other thing we would like to talk about today is radios.

Mike said let's deal with this transfer, I assume we have money in our fund to make this transfer.

Angela said you have money in the Commissioner's line, yes.

Mike said it sounds like the Sheriff needs it in his fund more than we need it in our fund at this time. I would entertain a motion to approve this requested transfer from Commissioner's building maintenance to Jail building maintenance.

Gary made am motion to approve the Sheriffs request to transfer \$15,000.00 from Commissioner's building maintenance to Sheriffs building maintenance. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Art said I thought it would be a good idea to have Chris come along. There are some things that is going to take place with these radios that we probably ought to be aware of as we move forward with this radio project. As you said earlier, I think it is going to hit a lot of departments. I'm not sure how we want to move forward with this, I know Chris and I had talked about numbers for the different agencies and I know with regards to the Sheriffs office, I have 9 APX 4000's that are able to be reprogramed however we can communicate with them but it doesn't meet the full functionality of this system. There is no way according to Motorola there is no way we can have these radios encrypted to work with the encrypted side of the system. I think the cost that Motorola had given us was about \$600.00 a radio for reprogramming of the APX 4000's. I know that Chris has a radio that he can reprogram but his is a little more expensive than mine.

Chris said my radio can be reprogrammed but to reprogram it just to make it so it can be encrypted cost more than the radio.

Art said I think you are going to get into that with a lot of these and it is one of the things I wanted to see what kind of figures you guys want us to give you. The APX 4000 like I said we have nine of them, we need about 20 for the Sheriffs office, so we are looking at purchasing 11 anyway, with the APX 4000 you are going to pay 25% of the cost for a new radio to reprogram it and you are probably looking two or three years down the line we are going to have to look at getting new radios anyway. I also know that we are in a situation in the county where were not sure what next years budget is going to look like and money seems to keep getting tighter and tighter.

Mike said you are saying you need 20, \$2,500.00 radios for the Sheriffs department.

Art said we are looking at a cost of about \$45,000.00 for the Sheriffs office and I think you're going to have a few for the Communications department.

Chris said EMS is going to need 8, the thing about EMS is I think the Sheriff is just talking portables. EMS would need, if I'm looking at my inventory of what they have it would be 4 portables and 4 mobiles and the reason that they would need mobiles is because when they are transporting a patient they would have a radio in the back that they can talk to the hospitals with.

Mike said 4 mobiles and 4 portables?

Chris said mobiles are the ones that are in the car or ambulance and the portable is one they would carry with them.

Mike said are those at the same cost as the Sheriffs?

Chris said the portables would be but I don't see that he has the mobile price, I would have to get that.

Mike said more or less?

Chris said I would imagine they would be a little bit more because your going to have to buy a radio that is two heads. Then as far as my radio, I would just get a new portable. I don't have an inventory of what the Coroner's office has. I know that since Darrin's became Coroner, I've given a couple of the old radios and the radios were talking about with EMS, the Coroners office and mine cannot be fixed at all, where Art said his can be upgraded but the ones the Coroner and the EMS have are done.

Mike said would the Coroner need more than one?

Art said as far as portables I would say probably two. He could ask for more, I'm not sure, I don't want to speak for him but I would say a minimum of two.

Tom said how many Deputy Coroners are there?

Chris said there are three deputies and the Coroner.

Mike said if you count all those that is about 30 or 31 new radios.

Art said Mike for your mobile units the cost of that is \$2,108.00 for a single head. They would need, I don't think they have given me that quote. They would need a dual head so it would be a little more than that.

Mike said if I count that as 31 and you took an average price of \$2,500.00 that is going to be around \$75,000.00 for radios.

Art said I would tell you that the radio price that I've given you, the one I'm looking at is a mid-line radio, it has a display on the top, I don't know that EMS would need the display on top and I think the price difference between those is only about \$400.00 from the lower level to the mid-level. If the guys were in a fight or something like that I wanted them to be able to look and see the top of that display if they are calling for help, I want them to know they are actually reaching who they want to reach. I think it is important for the road guys to have that.

Mike said those aren't contingent on the microwave equipment were putting on those towers, or are they?

Chris said now. This is a complete separate issue, it is kind of an issue that we knew at some point was going to come along, because these 2500's have been at the end of life for quite a while. The bigger issue is whether Art's can be reprogrammed or not and they can be reprogrammed but they can't be encrypted.

Art said and that was a surprise to us because we actually bought through Motorola initially so they could be.

Mike asked do they all need to be encrypted?

Art said eventually, it is not something that we would have to have, they can still talk. I think the price difference from getting them all and reprogramming the nine, the price difference on that would be I know for the nine APX to buy them new would be almost \$22,000.00, it is going to cost us probably \$6,000, \$7000.00 to have them reprogrammed. So, a price difference of about \$15,000.00.

Mike said how do you want to pay for them?

Art said I don't know. That is one of the things I want to look at, I wanted to come here and talk to you guys today so we could all start looking at it. I know we could look at the commissary option but to go through the commissary option, we would have to get the three of you, myself and the Council members to all agree to be able to spend any portion of the commissary for that and like I said depending on how budget goes, there may be another vehicle coming out of that which would be about \$35,000.00 less than what you are showing now. So, to pay a portion out of commissary, I have no issue with that.

Chris said obviously that doesn't solve the problem with EMS or any of the other departments.

Mike said what about yours?

Chris said I can't use state funds to buy radios.

Mike said I didn't think so.

Chris said no, we cannot do that and it is not in my budget.

Art said I just thought it was something we needed to start talking about.

Mike said I think it is. It might be good if one of you reach out to the Coroner and get a portable versus a mobile unit cost and maybe hammer down these costs. Frankly, I'm not certain if were going to need 11 new even if we reprogram the nine, I'm not certain it makes sense not to just buy all new.

Art said I agree with that.

Chris I would think that J & K would give us some sort of minimal discount when it comes to these reprogramming because like with Motorola just to touch the radio it's \$75.00 and then to reprogram each one is \$500 and some odd dollars and then there is fees and stuff like that, its easier to just get it out of the way once.

Art said keep in mind in the email I received form J & K, these radios are six to eight weeks out once ordered. I think there is a delay in everything right now that you are ordering or shipping regarding electronics or automotive.

Mike said I would think in two weeks if we have a firm cost and a firm number of needed, we would be in a better position to try to determine how we are going to pay for them.

Regular Claims \$605,140.28

Gary made a motion to approve the regular claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Payroll Claims \$219,948.97

Gary made a motion to approve the payroll claims as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Randolph County YMCA claim \$142,500.00

Mike said this is a YMCA claim in the amount of \$142,500.00 which is a phase III economic development grant claim.

Gary made a motion to approve the YMCA OCRA grant claim as presented. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

MPX claim \$27,000.00

MPX claim \$9,628.15

Gary said these two we are holding.

Mike asked both of them?

Gary said yes.

Minutes of June 21, 2021

Mike said we received a copy of the June 21, 2021 minutes via email, looked like a very efficient and short meeting. We have all had a chance to review them and I enjoyed reading through them.

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Gary second. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Barnes and Thornburg Proposal

Mike said the Barnes and Thornburg proposal is for representation and consulting fees in the American Rescue Plan act and if I recall it is a charge of \$2500.00 per month. Did we determine if this is something we would benefit from beyond what Baker Tilly is doing for us?

Laura said I talked to Jason at Baker Tilly and he said it would be a good addition to their service, he said whatever they recommend they are going to tell us to consult legal counsel. He said whether we use Barnes and Thornburg or Meeks would be up to us.

Meeks said I am not up on the American Rescue Plan Act.

Mike said I will say and I see her name there, Veronica was helpful in the first go around of Cares Act with respect to what Chris and everybody was submitting to claim. The fee was a lot less. I guess the fee goes up as the money goes up. Do we know is this just an ongoing relationship that we have a 30 day out when we have spent all of our money.

Meeks said you can terminate it at any time.

Mike said do we want the representation of Barnes and Thornburg for the American Rescue Plan Act?

Gary said we've got to have someone.

Mike said they do a nice job for us.

Gary said we have had great cooperation with them over the years, I will make the motion to approve the agreement with Barnes and Thornburg. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carriers.

Ordinance 2021-07 - second reading

Mike said the next item is the second reading of Ordinance 2021-07. An Ordinance Amending Chapter 71 Schedule I, Speed Limits in Randolph County. This is for CR 1050 S between.

Tom said it is 1000 S.

Mike said it is 1000 S.?

Meeks said it is amended.

Mike said the Ordinance was going to be amended to 1000 S between US Hwy 35 and Indiana State Road 1 reducing the speed limit to 40 mph and the penalty for that is a class c infraction.

Meeks said it is not an amended Ordinance, you are just going to amend this Ordinance, so it is still the same Ordinance. Just write on it and I will update it.

Mike said it is still the second reading?

Meeks said yes.

Mike said the second reading is before us.

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-07

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 71 Schedule I, Speed Limits

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Randolph County Commissioners that: the Randolph County Code of Ordinances Chapter 71, Schedule I, Speed Limits, is hereby amended by adding the following:

Street/Road	Location	Speed limit	Penalty	Ord No.	Date Passed
1000 South	Between US Highway 35 and Indiana State Road 1	40	Class C Infraction		

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and due publication.

Tom made a motion to approve the second reading for Ordinance 2021-07 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 71 Schedule I, Speed Limits. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Meeks said we will have the third reading at the next meeting and I will have a clean copy.

Veteran's officer

Gary said I talked to Mike Kennedy and he said he would be interested in working three days per week. He would like to do that, he said he would like to be doing something, he thought he was more than qualified. He has maintained his certifications and I talked to him a couple weeks or so ago and told him I wanted to wait until you returned to decide.

Mike said have we talked to Cathy?

Gary said yes, she is aware.

Laura said she cannot be certified.

Mike said so, she can no longer serve in that, permanently she cannot serve there.

Gary said not as the officer, no. She can serve as the secretary.

Mike said Mike did a good job for the county for a long time.

Gary said his health conditions have changed and the doctors have given him a go ahead. He would like to be doing something.

Mike said did we talk about pay?

Gary said no.

Tom said he wouldn't require insurance, would he?

Mike said not at 24 hours a week.

Tom said would we pay him 60% of his prior wage or what?

Mike said we pay Cathy full time veterans service officer pay now.

Tom said even though she cannot get certified?

Gary said we thought she would be, that is what we were told and that didn't prove out.

Mike said if we are going to hire Mike for three days which would be 21 or 22 ½ hours. If it's 7 ½ hours. The question would be when talking to Cathy about it are we reducing her pay.

Gary said she is not going to be eligible to hold that office.

Mike said before we decide, I would think we would want to negotiate the pay that we would pay Mike and negotiate the pay we would pay Cathy. Then come back in two weeks. Who is going to do that negotiation?

Gary said do you want to?

Mike said I can if you want me to. I will do that and have a report back on July 19th.

Stat Flight landing- July 17th

Laura said I received an email from Lisa Compton about, I think they have done this in the past.

Mike said yes, they have and they need our approval to land there.

Gary made a motion to approve the Stat Flight landing on July 17th. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Additional Appropriations:

General

GIS Coordinator \$20,000.00

Laura said I hired Melynda Donham to do the GIS Coordinator position and I am paying part of that salary out of the Auditor's plat book and we already approved doing this previously but we still need to do the Additional Appropriation to get the funding into the correct fund. She will start July 13th.

Gary made a motion to approve the additional appropriation from General to pay the GIS Coordinator. Tom seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Laura Martin - New IT Hire

Laura introduced Adam Wilson, he was hired by Five Star as our new IT. He will be our in-house person.

Mike said you should go ahead and bring up your question on the keys.

Laura said Fred had a master key for this building and the RCFFO building. I just wanted to ask if that is how you want me to handle it with Adam.

Tom said I assume he has to have access afterhours.

Laura said some computer issues, Fred would come in either before we got here or after we left so that it doesn't disrupt our work, when he was putting in new computers and such. I am sure when they do the transfer in the Clerk's office that they will probably want him in there not during work hours doing that transfer. That is how we have always handled it, I am asking how the Commissioner's want to handle it.

Tom said to me it sounds like we need to continue the way we been doing it.

Mike said I would agree.

Dave Lenkendorf

Dave said we had our annual meeting about two weeks ago. Very good productive meeting and talked a lot about broadband and infrastructure.

Mike Wickersham

Mike said I would like to thank you Tom and thank you Gary for covering for me the last six weeks. I have been out and about and received emails, very little emails. There is three of us and if one of us is gone that means there is only two of us here and that is 33% and 1/3 missing and I'm sure it was extra work for both of you at times and I really appreciate you guys covering for me. I was honest as I read the minutes through, it was a good meeting, both meetings were

good. I just wanted to share appreciation and thank you and offer that if you want to miss a meeting here and there don't be concerned about putting the extra burden on me at times. Thank you for that.

Citizen Comments

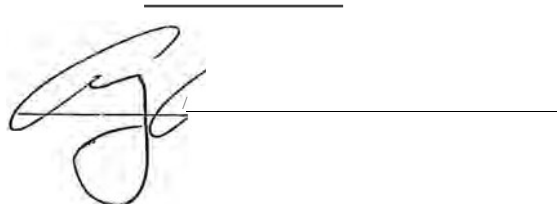
None

Adjournment

Tom made a motion to adjourn. Gary seconded. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Reviewed and signed this 05 day of February, 2021.

RANDOLPH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



ATTEST Ld:L.
Laura Martin, Auditor of Randolph County