

Boone County Board of Commissioners Minutes
January 11, 2021
Special Meeting
Connie Lamar Meeting Room
Boone County Government Building

Commissioners Present: Donald Lawson, Jeff Wolfe (via phone), and Tom Santelli

Commissioners Absent:

Staff Attending: Bob Clutter (County Attorney) and Kaylee Jessie (Administrative Assistant)

Board President Tom Santelli opened the meeting at 9:20 am with the pledge of allegiance.

In the Matter of Legal Issues:

Attorney Bob Clutter presented the following items:

1. The coronavirus relief fund acceptance certificate naming Commissioner Santelli as the chief executive officer of Boone County, Indiana previously signed on January 6th due to time restraints for ratification by the board.

Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve ratifying the coronavirus relief fund acceptance certificate. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of Resolution 2021-03 Renewing a State of Emergency:

Tom Ryan, County Preparedness Coordinator, provided an update on the number of new positive COVID-19 cases in Boone County. The vaccine clinic will open tomorrow to first responders and the general public for those that are 80 years old or older. The location of the clinic will be in the North Centennial Hall at the Boone County Fairgrounds. Tom Ryan recommended extending the State of Emergency as they open the clinic site and to ensure a location is established during the clinic. County Attorney Bob Clutter presented Resolution 2021-03 and read it aloud in pertinent parts pursuant to Indiana State Law.

Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-03 Renewing a State of Emergency. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of Discussion of Ordinance Amending the Employee Handbook to Provide Emergency

Paid Sick Leave: County Attorney Bob Clutter presented an ordinance amending the employee handbook to extend the emergency paid sick leave and emergency medical leave policy and read it aloud in pertinent parts pursuant to Indiana State Law. On March 19, 2020, the federal Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) was enacted, and the FFCRA requires government employers to provide emergency paid sick leave and Emergency FMLA leave during the pending emergency, which was made applicable to County employees through Ordinance 2020-02. The Commissioners believe it is in the best interest of the County employees to extend the emergency paid sick leave and Emergency FMLA from January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.

Commissioner Wolfe made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2021-01 amending the employee handbook to extend the emergency paid sick leave and Emergency FMLA policy through March 31, 2021. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of STOP Grant:

County Attorney Bob Clutter presented the Services, Training Officers, and Prosecutors (STOP) Grant Agreement in the amount of \$29,640. This is an extension of a Grant Agreement previously adopted over the years that commences on October 1, 2020 and shall remain in effect through September 30, 2021.

Commissioner Lawson made a motion to adopt the STOP Grant Agreement and authorize County Prosecutor Kent Eastwood to execute the documents. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the matter of Old Business:

There was none at this time.

In the Matter of Staff Reports

- a. APC – Rachel Cardis
- b. Facilities / Capital Investments – Max Mendenhall
- c. Health Department – Lisa Younts / Abby Messenger
- d. Highway Department – Nick Parr
- e. Human Resources – Megan Smith
- f. IT Support – GUTS
- g. Other Elected Officials

There was none at this time.

In the Matter of Document Signing:

1. Key request form for Cindy Clark in the Assessor's Office.

Commissioner Lawson made a motion to approve the key request form submitted.

Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of Claims presented in today's meeting

See (Appendix #2)

Commissioner Wolfe made a motion to approve claims as submitted.

Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

In the Matter of Mail

See (Appendix #3) for a list of mail opened by the Commissioners on this date.

With no further business, Commissioner Lawson made a motion to adjourn at 9:32 am.

Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.