

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

March 22, 2021

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Mark Horstman, President, Chris Schmaltz, Kendall Hankins, Amy Copeland, Auditor & John Ertel, County Attorney.

Maintenance – Craig Herbert

Mr. Herbert brought in the GenSet Contract for the generators to be signed. Mr. Herbert brought in the Patterson Landscaping bids and the commissioners want him to hold up on signing the contract. Mr. Herbert is stating he is having trouble with residential people parking in front of the dumpster. The Commissioners stated for him to get a no parking sign violators will be towed.

Tourism-Terri Trowbridge

Ms. Trowbridge brought in the appointments for the tourism board.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to appoint Garrett McAdams and Jackie Denny to the board of tourism, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Veterans Office – Ken Hylton

Mr. Hylton came in with an update of the Veteran's Office. He gave an update on the vehicles that he has. He is wanting to get rid of one and purchase another. The Ripley County Veterans population is 2,116, with 686 of them being unique patients. The 2019 geographic distribution of VA expenditures:

Compensation & Pension-----	7.027 Million
Education and Voca Rehab & Employment-----	507 Thousand
Insurance & Indemnities-----	11 Thousand
Medical Care-----	7.458 Million
Total-----	15.003 Million

Circuit Court – Ellen Werner

Ms. Werner came in with 2 quotes for a copy machine, Office Shop \$4,355.00 and Peter Paul \$4,250.00. Circuit Court is wanting the commissions to help pay for it, but they had the money in their budget, so the circuit court is going to pay for it. The commissioners gave her permission to purchase the machine that circuit court would like. Commissioner Hankins asked Becky Cairns about the bid process.

Assessor - Shawna Bushhorn

Ms. Bushhorn is asking about a bill from MDI for support. The commissioners stated that it should come out of the technology budget.

Sheriff – Jeff Cumberworth

Mr. Cumberworth was in with some new jail hires and courthouse security.

Highway – Ray Toops

INDOT will be closing state road 62 to fix 2 bridges in friendship. This will happen from April to August 2021. Mr. Toops is wanting approval to sell the Caterpillar V-Plow for \$1,500.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion for Mr. Toops to sell the Caterpillar V-Plow for \$1,500.00, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins.

Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Toops brought in a revised list of roads that will be chip and sealed with the current budget.

Mr. Toops brought in a grader analysis for the one that has the most hours.

Mr. Toops brought up the foreman position. Commissioner Hankins thinks the position needs to be left open for a more suitable candidate.

Court Services – Shannon Schmaltz

Mr. Schmaltz brought in an appointment to the Ripley County Advisory Board. Mr. Schmaltz has recommended Ron Decker for that board.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to appoint Ron Decker for the Ripley County Advisory Board, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz.

Motion passed unanimously.

SIRPC – Kerry McConnell – Rehab Program Bid Opening

Ms. McConnell started with the bid opening of all the rehab housing. Please see attached of bid openings.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the lowest, most responsible bidder for the rehab housing projects, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

SIRPC – Jodi Comer – Friendship Sewer Bid Opening

Ms. Comer started with the bid opening of all the Friendship Sewer bid openings. Please see attached bid openings.

Motion: Commissioner made the motion to take the matter under review to make sure proper forms are with the bids, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Clerk's Office – Diane Macek

Ms. Macek came in about the new election system machines. Commissioners told the Clerk's Office to use their office and the conference room upstairs when all the inventory was delivered. Commissioners stated they could get rid of the existing plastic containers that had no value.

Peter Paul Office Equipment – Dave Gutzwiller

Mr. Gutzwiller came in to introduce themselves to the county commissioners.

***Discussion**

Attorney John Ertel brought in the amended facilities transfer agreement between the board of commissioners of Ripley County, Indiana, and the Town Board of The Town of Milan.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the amended facilities transfer agreement between the board of commissioners of Ripley County, Indiana, and the Town Board of The Town of Milan. , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Horstman asked about the EMS project and what their opinion was on the matter.

***Discussion**

County Auditor brought up the money that Ripley County will be getting from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP). Ripley County is in line to get 5.4 million dollars that will have to be spent by December of 2024.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to appoint the Mayor of Batesville, Mike Bettice, to be the municipal representative for Southeastern Indiana Solid Waste District, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the minutes from March 8, 2021, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to approve the minutes from March 11, 2021, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

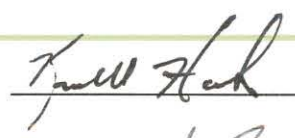
Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to approve the claims and payroll, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

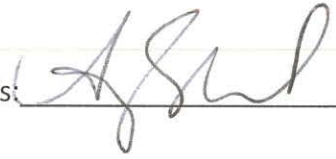
Motion: Commissioner Schmaltz made the motion to appoint Barry Lauber, Brenda Wetzler, and Mark Comer for the Ripley County Redevelopment Commission , **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Chris Schmaltz, **Seconded by** Kendall Hankins. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Commissioner Hankins made the motion to adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Kendall Hankins, **Seconded by** Chris Schmaltz. Motion passed unanimously.

 _____ Mark Horstman, President

 _____ Chris Schmaltz

 _____ Kendall Hankins

Assts:  _____ Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor



FRIENDSHIP REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT
WASTEWATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS
BID OPENING

MARCH 22, 2021 @ 10:15 A.M.

	CH & M Construction 3687 North County Road 500 East Milan, IN 47031	Dave O'Mara Contractor Inc 1100 E O&M Ave, POB 1139 North Vernon, IN 47265	Graves Constr Services., Inc. P.O. Box 238 Switz City, IN 47465	Mike Holman Excavating, Inc. 1640 E. CR 300 S. Versailles, IN 47042	Poole Group, Inc. 3295 S. Farmers Retreat Rd DILLSBORO, IN 47018	Striegel Design & Constr Inc. 50 North County Road 650 W Medora, IN 47260	Thieneman Construction 17219 Foundation Parkway Westfield, IN 46074
Form No. 96 w/Non-Collusion Affidavit							
Bid Form (EJCDC C-410)							
Acknowledgement of Addenda Received (2)							
Qualifications Statement (EJCDC C-451)							
Bid Bond							
Financial Statement Signed & Executed							
E-Verify Affidavit							
Cert. of No Investments in Iran							
Drug Testing Program							
	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
TOTAL BASE BID	\$ 473,667.70	\$ 583,899.70	\$	\$ 402,686	\$	\$ 519,165.00	\$

MANDATORY ALTERNATE ADDITIVE BID ITEMS

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
MA-1	Sampling Platform at Contact Tank	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
MA-2	Scum Skimmer and Associated Valves and Piping	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
MA-3	Start-up Chemical Purchase	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
MA-4	Effluent Chart Recorder	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
MA-5	Alarm Dialer	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
MA-6A	Grinder Station Control Panels	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64	\$ 10,319.64
MA-6B	Grinder Station Control Panels Installation	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
TOTAL ALTERNATE BIDS		\$ 84,415.64	\$ 96,019.64	\$	\$ 64,469.40	\$	\$ 74,442.00	\$

TOTAL BASE BID PLUS ALL ALTERNATES	\$ 558,083.34	\$ 679,919.34	\$	\$ 467,155.40	\$	\$ 593,607.00	\$
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