

# **Commissioners & County Council**

## **Joint Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

4:00 p.m.

Pineview Government Center  
Commissioner Meeting Room, Suite 104  
2524 Corydon Pike

Al Knable called the meeting to order and led the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

**Present:** Commissioners – Al Knable, Jason Sharp and John Schellenberger

**Council –Present** - Tony Toran, Denise Konkle, Danny Short, Connie Moon and Brad Striegel

**Absent** – Jim Freiburger and Dale Bagshaw

**Also Present:** Attorney, Rick Fox; Attorney, Steve Langdon; Treasurer, Steve Burks; Auditor, Diana Topping and Assessor, Terry Watson.

### **1. Chase Building Update**

Attorney, Rick Fox, said the bond process is moving along. First Merchants Bank gave the lowest bid, 4.7% for the bond. It is a 5 year BAN but any time after the first year, depending on the market conditions, it can be converted to the bond. The bond is for \$10,255,000.00. After cost, approximately \$10 million will be deposited. The schedule to repay the interest is the minimum amount. They can use the additional proceeds that they have to repay principal before going to bonding down the road.

The first interest payment is:

- February 1, 2025 for \$112,463.17.
- August 1, 2025 \$240,992.50
- Every 6 months thereafter, February 1, 2026 \$240,992.50
- Payments continue until February 1, 2029

The targeted closing tentatively is going to be November 7, 2024. There will be three tenants. The third floor will be vacated in the first quarter.

Al Knable said Don Lopp, Director of Operations, has turned in his resignation. His job position has been posted. They have asked him to stay on through 2025 in some sort of part-time or consultative capacity. Mr. Lopp is open to doing that.

### **2. Judicial Center Update**

Al Knable said they are looking to see if they can do a phase build out or not, or whether the building would have to come down and then build one structure. The hope to have some answers by the end of the fall. He said all the studies and engineering has been done with funds from the CCD fund. They are still on solid footing for 2025 to not only cover the Chase Building cost, but also the preliminary studies for the Judicial Center.

### **3. Building Authority Budget**

Danny Short said he spoke to Aaron Combs from the Building Authority. He seems to think the shortfall to budget is from nothing being placed there from the cities' lease of the Police Department area. The Police Department is anticipating moving out the first quarter 2025. Danny Short suggested asking the Building Authority to adjust their budget down. Denise Konkle asked if a document has to be signed by the Commissioners and Building Authority.

Auditor, Diana Topping, said they have a long-term lease. Within that lease the agreement is that their rent is basically the budget that is signed off on an annual basis by the Commissioners and then the Council to fund.

### **4. FCHD Building Purchase**

Attorney, Rick Fox, said they are in the process of getting appraisals. All but one are in. Once all appraisals are in they will be able to draw up contract.

John Schellenberger said there have been discussions that when Adult Probation and Community Correction were going to move to the County Building and vacate the Reisz Building for the Health Department. But now the Health Department will not be moving there. Have they decided where they are going to go. He asked is any costs been discussed if Probation and Community Corrections stay at the Reisz Building for renovations.

Al Knable said he heard they are happy where they are and it was functioning for them. John Schellenberger said it will be the Courts decision where they will be.

### **5. EDIT Fund**

Al Knable handed out a list of items financially that, at one point, were covered by the General Fund but then were shifted out and moved to EDIT. He said, it was his understanding, that there was a gentlemen's agreement that if the Council was ever on solid ground again, that some of these items might be re-assumed by the general Fund and moved away from EDIT. The Commissioners' EDIT fund has become so pinched over the last few years that they find it difficult to pave roads and bridges. They have some bridges that are in need of planned repair before they become reactive repair. Since 2012 the Commissioners had assumed over \$2,100,000.00. He asked for thoughtful reflection on this topic.

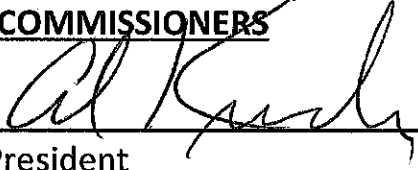
### **Approval of 9-20-2024 Joint Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to approve. Moved by Connie Moon. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.**


**Motion to adjourn. Moved by Tony Toran. Seconded by Jason Sharp. Motion passed unanimously.**

Approved the 15<sup>th</sup> day of NOV, 2024

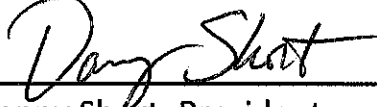
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Al Knable, President


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John Schellenberger, Vice President

  
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Jason Sharp, Commissioner

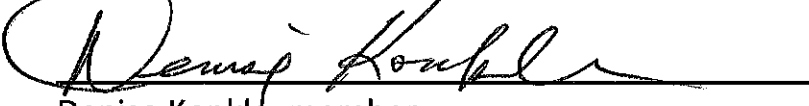
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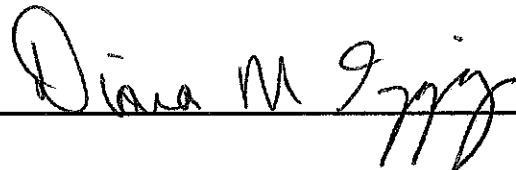
  
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Attest: Diana M. Topping, Auditor