

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

There was a moment of silent prayer, those present were asked to include former Lake County Surveyor Steve Manich and also Marge Cleveland who was a former Lake County Recorder, both whom passed away recently; the Pledge was given and the Emergency Exit Announcement was 1made.

A courtesy copy of the agenda and notice of this meeting was faxed by Brenda Koselke 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 10th day of August, 2018 at about 12:45 p.m.

A copy of the meeting notice and agenda was posted at the entrance of the Commissioner's courtroom on the 10th day of August, 2018 at about 12:45 p.m.

Order #1 Agenda #1f-1-4

In the Matter of Finalization of Agenda: 1. Certificate of Service of Meeting Notice and Posting to those who have made a written request for notice; 2. Deletions and corrections; 3. Approval of final agenda to be incorporated into official Minutes.

Repay made a motion to approve the Agenda and the Certificate of Meeting Notice, Tippy seconded the motion confirming that there are no deletions and/or corrections to this Agenda, there were none. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #2 Agenda #1f-5

In the Matter of Finalization of Agenda: 5. Confirmation of Executive Session.

Attorney Dull spoke, stating the confirmation of the Executive Session held and nothing discussed at that Executive Session other than pending litigation. NAT.

Order #3 Agenda #2a1-2 & 2b 1-2

In the Matter of Correspondence: a. Received: 1) Commissioners: July 27, 2018 from Mediacom regarding EEO/Affirmative Action obligations; 2) Commissioners: July 30, 2018 Memo regarding Lagoon Closure Extension; b. Sent: 1) Commissioners: August 15, 2018 letter to Johnson Controls, Inc. regarding planned service agreement expirations; 2) Commissioners: August 1, 2018 letter to INDOT regarding local Trax matching grant program supplying Hammond.

Attorney Dull spoke on each item stated above, Repay made a motion to make the four (4) correspondence a matter of public record, Tippy seconded the motion with discussion, stating "the memo regarding the lagoon closure extension, asking Larry is that an extension or?", Larry confirmed "it is an extension", Tippy asked "for how long?", Larry, stated, "the Commissioners confirmed it until the end of the year", Tippy, confirmed, "and for the record, that's for Hermits Lake?", Larry, confirmed, "that's correct", discussion closed. Motion carried 3-0.

- 1) Commissioners: July 27, 2018 from Mediacom regarding EEO/Affirmative Action obligations
- 2) Commissioners: July 30, 2018 Memo regarding Lagoon Closure Extension
 - b. 1) Commissioners: August 15, 2018 letter to Johnson Controls, Inc. regarding planned service agreement expirations
 - 2) Commissioners: August 1, 2018 letter to INDOT regarding local Trax matching grant program supplying Hammond.

Order #4 Agenda #3a; 3b 1-4; 3c1

In the Matter of Public Opening of Vendor Responses to Requests for Bids and Quotes: a. Permission to open bids, quotes, and proposals during public meeting: a. Permission to open bids, quotes, and proposals during public meeting; b. 1) Commissioners: Bids for Project #5B – HVAC Renovations in the Penthouse of the Lake County Government Center to be opened; 2) Commissioners: Bids for Project #8 – Security Barriers at the Lake County Government Center; 3) Commissioners: Bids for Project #14 – Renovations to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building; 4) Commissioners: Bids for Asbestos Abatement to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building; c. Quotes: 1) Highway: Proposals for Tree and Stump removal (Briggs Tree Services, Cams Tree Service and Trucking, Clemons Tree Experts, and Russell Tree Services).

Repay made a motion to give permission to open the bids for today's meeting, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #5 Agenda #4

In the Matter of Public Bidding: Approval of Specifications, Set the Return Date – a. Commissioners: Request for Qualifications, Security Systems Evaluations Services, sealed proposals due October 2, 2018.

Repay made a motion to make the request for qualifications, security systems evaluations, a matter of public record and advertise for the return of proposals by October 2, 2018, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #6 Agenda #5a1

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: a. Public Works: 1) Economic Development: Demolition of Waterfront Inn/New Chicago. Recommendation on quotes from (Ryan Construction, Inc. for \$74,400; Actin Contracting, LLC for \$47,500; and Gary Material Supply, LLC) for \$47,700; letter recommending Gary Material Supply LLC in the amount of \$47,700.00.

Repay made a motion to make that action and the documentation of the action a matter of public record, the action of the acceptance of the proposal by Mr. Timothy Brown, Executive Director of Lake County Community Economic Development, from **Gary Material Supply LLC** in the amount of \$47,700.00 to remove all materials per specifications for the removal of the remaining debris, junk and building formally known as the Waterfront Inn in New Chicago, Indiana, Tippy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #7 Agenda #5a2

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: a. Public Works: 2) Highway: 101st Avenue & Sheffield, intersection signalization and reconstruction design engineering and right-of-way services. Letter recommending Robinson Engineering LTD, contract not to exceed \$159,159.00.

Repay made a motion to approve the Contract not to exceed \$159,159.00 between Lake County Board of Commissioners and Robinson Engineering, LTD on behalf of Lake County Highway Department, LPA Consultant Contract for 101st Avenue & Sheffield, intersection signalization and reconstruction design engineering and right-of-way services, Allen seconded the motion, Tippy called for discussion, stating, "I'll be a no vote on this item because the one hundred fifty nine thousand exceeds the one hundred forty five thousand budget that was presented to NIRPC for funding". Motion carried 2-1, Tippy, no.

Order #8 Agenda #5a3

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: a. Public Works: 3) Commissioners: Hermits Lake Water Return System Demotion. Proposals (Ziese & Sons Excavating, Inc. for \$2,915.00; Sneed Construction, for \$9,261.20; Austgen Equipment, Inc. for \$10,715); letter recommending Ziese & Sons in the amount of \$2,915.00.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the contract with Ziese & Sons, 6929 W 109th Avenue, Crown Point, IN 46307, in the amount of \$2,915.00 for Demolition of the Former Sludge Lagoons Surface Water Return System at Hermits Lake Plant, being the lowest and most responsive and responsible bidder. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #9 Agenda #5b1-a&b

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: b. Services: 1) From a single source: a. Criminal Public Defender: Psychological evaluation services, Robert B. Coyle \$6,037.50; b. Assessor: Mailing costs for 2018 reassessment, The Masters Touch LLC Corp., \$6,121.61.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to both purchase orders for Criminal Public Defender for Psychological evaluation services to Robert B. Coyle for \$6,037.50, and for Assessor for Mailing costs for 2018 reassessment to The Masters Touch LLC Corp for \$6,121.61. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #10 Agenda #5b2a

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: b. Services: 2) Other: a. Criminal Court: Meals for Jurors, The County Café, LLC, SE06 Services IC5-22-6-1 (Other) for \$3,873.00.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the purchase order for the \$3,873.00 for Meals for Jurors supplied by The County Café, LLC on behalf of Lake County Criminal Court. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #11 Agenda #5c1a

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: c. Supplies, Goods, Machinery and Equipment: 1) Non-House account contracts at least \$2,500 but less than \$50,000 solicited by department (three quotes): a. Highway: Sleepy Hollow Curb and Gutter Construction and Reconstruction, Neenah Foundry Company, \$8,456.00, and East Jordan Iron Works, \$7670.52; letter recommending Neenah Foundry Company due to short lead time.

Repay made a motion to approve the recommendation to Neenah Foundry Company, P.O. Box 729, Neenah, WI 54957, for \$8,456.00 for Sleepy Hollow Curb and Gutter Construction and Reconstruction for L C Highway Department, Tippy seconded with discussion, Highway Engineer (present) responded for clarity. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #12 Agenda #5d1a

In the Matter of Action to Form Contracts: d. Federal or State Grants: 1) Federal: a. Economic Development: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Estimated \$1,800.00, fiscal year 2018, representing the Town of Cedar Lake, City of Crown Point, Town of Dyer, Town of Griffith, Town of Highland, City of Hobart, City of Lake Station, Town of Lowell, Town of Merrillville, Town of Munster, Town of New Chicago, Town of St. John, Town of Schererville, Town of Schneider, City of Whiting, Town of Winfield, and the County of Lake in Indiana.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the Economic Development CDBGE allocation. (Cooperation Agreements with Resolution on file) Motion carried 3-0.

Order #13 Agenda #6a1a-b

In the Matter of Action and/or Reports on County Owned Property: a. Commissioner-Owned – 1) Disposal of Real Property: a. Commissioners: Quit Claim Deed to St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church; b. Commissioners: Quit Claim Deed to Lake County Parks and Recreation Board.

Attorney Dull spoke before the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake regarding the parcel numbers being transferred for clarity, Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the two (2) Quit Claim Deeds to St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church as well as Lake County Parks and Recreation Board. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #14 Agenda #7a

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: a. Fairgrounds: Request to open bank checking account as "clearing account" for online reservations; b. Commissioners: Revised purchasing code key, dated August 15, 2018.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the request to open a bank checking account submitted by Lake County Fairgrounds. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #15 Agenda #7b

In the Matter of Action on Commissioners' Items: b. Commissioners: Revised purchasing code key, dated August 15, 2018.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the revised purchasing code key. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #15 Agenda #8a1-2

In the Matter of State Board of Accounts Items: a. Retroactively approved: 1. Lake County Payroll, Direct Debit Pay Claims July 23, 2018; 2. Lake County Payroll, Direct Debit Pay Claims August 6, 2018.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve retroactively the claims for July 23, 2018 and August 6, 2018. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #16 Agenda #8b

In the Matter of b. Claims and Docket: Lake County Expense Claims to be allowed Wednesday, August 15, 2018.

The Board hereby orders Commissioners Allowance of Lake County Expense Claims of Wednesday, August 15, 2018 to be paid out of the County Treasury upon the Warrant of the County Auditor according to the Lake County Claim Docket on file in the Auditor's Office.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve and make a matter of public record the Claims and Docket, and ordered same for Auditor to include white claims for the review of Claims and Docket effective August, 2018. Motion carried.

Order #17 Agenda #9a

In the Matter of Items to be Made a Matter of Public Record: a. ICU Monitoring, Inc., letter affirming MBE certification.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record the letter affirming that ICU Monitoring, Inc. is MBE certified, letter from State of Indiana Department of Administration, certification valid through June 30, 2021. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #18 Agenda #10a1a

In the Matter of Actions on Bonds/Insurance: a. Action to accept, release or modify insurance certificates – 1) Liability Insurance: a. Commissioners: Acceptance: Insured Lake County Agricultural Society, Inc., dba Lake County Fair.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public the Certificate of Liability Insurance for Insured Lake County Agricultural Society, Inc., dba Lake County Fair. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #19 Agenda #10b

In the Matter of Actions on Bonds/Insurance: b. Other: 1) Commissioners: Claim against Bond for Final Touch Decorating, Inc.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to forfeit the Bond, Bond No. 94-L7-3784-2, in the amount of \$4,000.00, a Surety Bond, against Final Touch Decorating, Inc. Motion carried 3-0. (SEE FILE "2018 BONDS" FOR DOCUMENTATION)

Order #20 Agenda #11a

In the Matter of Poor Relief Decisions: a. From June 27 and June 29, 2019 and July 5, 10 15, 18, 25, & 26, 2018.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to approve the Poor Relief Decisions From June 27 and June 29, 2019 and July 5, 10 15, 18, 25, & 26, 2018 submitted from Poor Relief Hearing Officer. Motion carried 3-0.

Shanki Langston	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Tamika D. Williams	Denied
Christopher & Kim Grino	Approved on condition
Shirley Perkins	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Cherita Jett	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Dorothy Robertson	Denied
Larry Russell	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Jessica Brown	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Sandra Patrick	Approved
Angel Taylor	Approved/partial
Pamela Boyd	Denied
Keith Cook	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Rebecca E. Lopez	Denied
Ernest Shed	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Jacoby Taylor	Approved/partial
Jessica Attomanelli	Approved
William McCarthy	Approved
Sylvia Burnett	Approved/partial "Home Visit"
Nakia Banks	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Demonte Cobbs	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Shanise Jefferson	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
J.D. Williams	Approved
Nakia Ellis	Approved/partial
Tina Meredith	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Wilfredo Sanchez	Approved
Milcah Williams	Approved
Tempest Walker	Remanded to township for further consideration and review
Joe Curtis	Approved/partial
Baneika & Larry Miller	Approved
Venise L. Brown	Approved/partial
Antonio Wright	Approved
Lester J. Magero, Jr.	Denied for appellant's failure to appear
Loretha Wilbon-Hawkins	Denied
Michael Gaydearn	Approved/partial
Kathy Gant	Approved on condition
Terrance Webb	Approved

Krystal McNair Approved
 Sonya Vergara Approved
 Elizabeth McCarthy Approved

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Kandi Singleton Denied
 Demonte Cobbs Remanded to township for further consideration and review
 Gerald Gardner Denied "Home Visit"
 Danielle Miller Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Deja Epps Remanded to township for further consideration and review
 Ricky & Carolyn Lewis Approved
 Ebony Fawler Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Shelia M. Rhodes Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Donetta Rhaburn Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 George Nance Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Dennis Yerger Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Marona Mitchell Approved
 Rodina Goodman Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Tempest Walker Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Carlissa Williams Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Valeria Maldonads Approved/partial
 Mercedes Sanders Approved/partial
 Mary Tolliver Remanded to township for further consideration and review
 Susan Pratchett Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Doretha Chestham Denied for appellant's failure to appear
 Jeaneissa Watkins Approved
 Juan Torres Approved on condition

Order #21 Agenda #12a

In the Matter of Approve Vendor Qualification Affidavits and/or Responsible Bidder Applications: a. Various Vendors seeking to be approved to provide public works, services or supplies, goods, machinery and equipment: Listed 1-4.

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to accept the Vendor Qualification Affidavits and Responsible Bidder Applications outlined in Item 12a 1-4. Motion carried 3-0.

- 1) R.A. Oros, Inc.
- 2) Best Equipment Company
- 3) Delta III, Inc.
- 4) Cynthia Carr

Order #22 Agenda #13a

In the Matter of Appointments: a. Commissioners: Certificate of Appointment (Michael Repay, as Board Member of the Lake County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee).

Repay made a motion, seconded by Tippy, to make a matter of public record the Certificate of Appointment appointing Michael Repay, as Board Member of the Lake County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee, term commencing *July 18, 2018* expiring *the 31st day of December, 2018*. Motion carried 3-0.

Order #23 Agenda #3b1

In the Matter of Bids: Commissioners: Bids for Project #5B – HVAC Renovations in the Penthouse of the Lake County Government Center to be opened.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for the HVAC Renovation in the Penthouse of the Lake County Government Center – Project #5B for the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Mechanical Concepts, Inc. \$2,687,000.00

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

Order #24 Agenda #3b2

In the Matter of Bids: Commissioners: Bids for Project #8 –Security Barriers at the Lake County Government Center to be opened.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Security Barriers at the Lake County Government Center – Project #8 for the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Ellas Construction Company, Inc.	\$ 716,700.00
Sneed Construction, Inc.	\$1,346,650.00
Gary Material Supply, LLC	\$ 697,000.00
Hasse Construction Co., Inc.	\$ 596,000.00
Gariup Construction Co., Inc.	\$ 663,700.00
Gough, Inc.	\$ 688,000.00

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

Order #25 Agenda #3b3

In the Matter of Bids: Commissioners: Bids for Project #14 – Renovations to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building to be opened.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Renovations to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building – Project #14 for the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Precision Builders, Inc.	\$562,500.00
Sneed Construction, Inc.	\$660,088.10
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Larson-Danielson Const. Co., Inc.	\$478,595.00
Hasse Construction Co., Inc.	\$477,000.00
Gariup Construction Co., Inc.	\$479,500.00

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

Order #26 Agenda #3c1

In the Matter of Quotes: 1) Highway: Proposals for Tree and Stump removal (Briggs Tree Services, Cams Tree Service and Trucking, Clemons Tree Experts, and Russell Tree Services).

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

Clemons' Tree Experts	\$22,050.00
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Repay made a motion, based on the recommendation of the Highway Engineer, to award the Tree Removal to Clemons Tree Experts in the amount of \$22,050.00, Tippy seconded with discussion, asking "is that price consistent? Do you have something to compare that to?", Highway Engineer responded "past projects we've have like 30 or 40 trees in here, so, yes, this is consistent", Tippy asked did they go to three bidders, Highway Engineer responded, "we went four bidders", Tippy confirmed this is the only response. Motion carried to award item 3c1 to Clemons Tree Experts for \$22,050.00, 3-0 vote for the record, confirmed by President Allen.

Order #27 Agenda #3b4

In the Matter of Bids: Commissioners: Bids for Asbestos Abatement to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building.

This being the day, time and place for the receiving of bids for Asbestos Abatement to the 6th Floor of the Westwind Building for the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the following bids were received:

Environmental Assurance, LLC	\$109,845.00
M&O Environmental Co.	\$78,200.00
Northwest Indiana Environmental	\$74,500.00

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

Order #28 Agenda #14

In the Matter of Comments: a. Elected Officials; b. Members of the public; c. Commissioners

Commentary began between those present, the Board and its Attorney, Birthday wishes to Commissioner Tippy and Attorney Dull and acknowledgement of the birth of a new baby from Commissioner Tippy's secretary/assistant.

Commentary from the Office of the Public Defender to the Board of Commissioners from Mr. Marce Gonzalez, thanking the Board for their leadership and support regarding the renovations to the 6th and thanked Mr. Kuhn Architect and Mr. Rehder stating, "I promised you twenty months ago when I took this job that I would deliver to you the best Public Defender Office, most efficient, professional, talented, ethical Office in the State of Indiana and you're helping with my vision and my dream and I want to thank you all for your support".

The next Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.

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

The following officials were Present:
Attorney Dull

KYLE ALLEN Sr., PRESIDENT

MICHAEL REPAY, COMMISSIONER

JERRY TIPPY, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

JOHN E. PETALAS, LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR