County of Carroll Commissioner's Meeting

Carroll County Administration Building

November 18, 2021

Present:

Chairman Terry McCarthy, Vice-Chairman Matthew Plache, Clerk Kimberly Tessari, Treasurer Joe Costello, Executive Coordinator Mellisa Seamans, DPW Director Will DeWitte, Maintenance Director Bob Murray, HR Director Chris Heroux, Ed Comeau (GovernmentOversite.com)

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

None

Media Questions

Mr. Steer asked the Commissioners' opinion on whether the federal vaccine mandate will be held pending outcome of the lawsuit filed by several States. Comm'r Plache. using fear as a way to coerce employees into getting the vaccine really stands out.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

MOTION:

"To approve the minutes of November 9, 2021" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari. Passed 3-0.

Hales Location

The board reviewed the Hale's Location October profit and loss statement.

MOTION:

"To authorize the treasurer to sign a check payable to County of Carroll in the amount of \$86,790 and a check payable to Conway Fire Department for \$17,500" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari. Passed 3-0

2022 Tax Anticipation Note (TAN)

MOTION:

"Allow the Treasurer to pursue tax-anticipation note borrowing in the amount of \$17 million" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Chmn. McCarthy. Passed 2-0 with Comm'r Tessari opposed, noting that the Commissioners have not received any documentation about the TAN.

Crack Filling

Dir. Murray and Dir. DeWitte presented to speak to a multi-year pavement resealing and restriping plan.

MOTION:

"To authorize Andrade to complete the crack filling work not to exceed \$6,100 and to waive the bid requirement" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari. Passed 3.0

Bid Opening - Steel File Cabinets - Registry of Deeds

The Board opened and announced eight bids: Design Building Beyond \$57,730; K Log \$50,083; SPD Commercial Interiors \$45,104; McKearney \$30,000; Nu Vou Interiors \$28,290; DuPont Storage Systems \$40,102; Conserve Flag Company \$23,032; Global IndusSteel \$50,530.

Line Item Transfers

MOTION:

"To approve line-item transfer 2021-10 from account 300.5130.050 to 300.5130.082 in the amount of \$2,000" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari. Passed 3-0

Several pieces of equipment in the nursing home required repair this year – dishwasher, walk-in freezer, oven, steam table, slicer, griddle and coffee machine - and the cost exceeded equipment budget.

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 2021-11 from account 300.5140.039 to

300.5193.060 in the amount of \$2,400" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari.

Passed 3-0

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 2021-12 from account 300.5193.057 to

300.5190.040 (\$17,300), 300.5193.054 (\$7,500), and 300.5193.056 (\$14,000)" by

Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari. Passed 3-0

MOTION: "To approve line-item transfer 2021-13 from account 300.5140.013 to

300.5140.023 in the amount of \$40,000" by Comm'r Plache, 2nd Comm'r Tessari.

Passed 3-0

Prior to the Delegation meeting, the Board requests that a more detailed explanation about these transfers be submitted in writing, including when the line-item was over-expended.

MVC Collective Bargaining Agreement

The Commissioners reviewed the changes to the MVC Agreement that have been ratified by the Union in consideration of also voting to ratify the one-year contract. (Attached) Chmn. McCarthy disagrees with Article 20.2 as it appears to be an enticement to join the Union. Comm'r Plache does not have a problem with this change. Comm'r Tessari said the Union expects those who want legal representation to pay for it. Comm'r Tessari and Chmn. McCarthy disagree with employees being paid in lieu of enrolling in the County health insurance plan (Article 26.1.1). Comm'r Plache was the Board representative to the negotiations but said he was not given the opportunity to "wordsmith" the agreement changes prior to the Union voting on it. Dir. Heroux was asked to convey these issues to the Union.

Non-Public Session

MOTION: "To enter into non-public session under 91-A:3, II (c)" by Comm'r Tessari, 2nd

Chmn. Plache. Passed on a roll call vote 3-0

The board reconvened the public meeting and voted to seal the minutes.

Upcoming Dates
November 25 & 26 Offices Closed. Happy Thanksgiving
November 29 Monday 10:00 a.m. 2022 Public Budget Hearing & Delegation Meeting [inclement weather date – 12/6/21]
Minutes approved onDecember 2, 2021
Terry McCarthy, Chairman
Matthew Plache, Vice-Chairman

Kimberly Tessari, Clerk