

## **BOC 1/27/26 11 am 4th Floor Council Chambers**

All 3 and legal counsel present. All items passed unanimously. Recessed at 11:41.

A. First order of Business: opening and Reading of Bids/Letter of Interest: None

B. REPORTS AND REQUESTS FROM:

COMMISSIONERS:

- a) Approval of the Accounts Payable Docket
- b) Approval of Claims & Settlement Release Agreement – Carlton Alphonzo Collins agrees to \$12,500 settlement and will not sue SJC. He was incarcerated at SJC Jail improperly due to similar name to wanted person.
- c) Approval of Resolution R-2-C-2026 – Honoring 90-year old Mary Alice Edwards for years of service as a community volunteer on West Washington St. She was the first African-American on her block, and the first wire assembly person at her job, retired at 80 years age. She was the longest acting clerk at her church. She is known as a neighborhood mother.

IPG: Sky Medors

- a) Approval of Change Order No. 1 to Contract with Rieth-Riley Construction for Project R&S 92501-D Community Crossings Matching Grant for Maintenance Asphalt Overlay for Various County Roads: DECREASE of \$28,142, total contract amount now \$3,253,509, as SJC will apply the choke stone for the pavement project instead of contractor.
- b) Approval of Agreement with Abonmarche Consultants for Preliminary Engineering Services As Needed for Public Works Tasks, not to exceed \$100,000 for civil engineering, grant and program management, and environmental services and support on various Public Works tasks.
- c) Approval of Agreement with Jones, Petri, Rafinski Corp for Preliminary Engineering Services As Needed for Public Works Tasks, not to exceed \$100,000 for civil engineering, grant and program management and environmental services and support on various Public Works tasks.
- d) Approval of County Highway Division Contract with Teamsters Local Union No 364 for 2026-2028. This contract prohibits discrimination in employment as protected by law, and requires a smoke-free work environment. SJC will pay for their DOT physicals. The union agrees not to strike, and SJC agrees it will not lockout employees. New is a CDL training clause within this contract, cost is about \$4000 per person. The Union has voted for this contract. Tabled for 1 week so Baxmeyer can look at the contract more deeply.

PSAP/911: Sal Parisi, IT Manager PSAP

- a) Approval of Contract Proposal with AT&T for Copper to Fiber Line Updating, and Phone and Internet System Upgrades, will save SJC \$41,762 yearly and has improved reliability, built-in redundancy and predictable pricing by eliminating Centrex and PRI services. Currently copper wire feeds the 911 trunks, is 6 years old, and needs to be replaced. Fiber is less expensive.

C. OLD BUSINESS: None

D. NEW BUSINESS: None

E: PUBLIC COMMENTS: (THREE MINUTE LIMIT)

Kathy Platzman (sp?): disputes county leaf pickup. She has always paid her fee but was told she needed to pay \$59 again. She had over \$100 taken out of her account to pay her electric bill and leaf pickup. She is owed that \$59. She has talked with appropriate people and Commissioner Hazen. Hazen responded that he will be meeting with the owner and will get back with her.

Sky Medors: gave an update on winter weather operations. Street crews have been responding appropriately to 86 inches of snow so far this season in Granger. Elkhart has had 53 inches of snow. There is some equipment down, 20+ trucks, but the other 45 trucks are working. Speed limit is 25 in subdivisions, and the subdivision streets are salted where there are curves. Sky has been putting out updates about road conditions. Baxmeyer urged people to sign up for the alerts.