The Vanderburgh County Board of Commissioners met in session this 5th day of January, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in Exhibit Hall A of the Old National Events Plaza with President Ben Shoulders presiding.

# **Reconvening of Meeting**

President Shoulders: Good afternoon, and welcome as we reconvene the emergency meeting of the Vanderburgh County Commissioners on January 19, 2021.

#### Attendance Roll Call

President Shoulders: Madelyn, the attendance please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Hatfield?

Commissioner Hatfield: (No response)

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Here.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am here, and I hope everyone had a safe, healthy and happy

holiday weekend, as we celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King Day.

# Pledge of Allegiance

President Shoulders: On that note, if we could do the Pledge of Allegiance please.

(The Pledge of Allegiance was given.)

President Shoulders: Thank you. Any students here with us today? Any students here with us today, via Zoom or in person? No? Okay.

# **Health Dept: COVID-19 Vaccination Report**

President Shoulders: Our first action item, letter A, I believe, is the Vanderburgh County Health Department, and I believe they are with us via Zoom. Is Mr. Gries with us here today?

Joe Gries: Hi, Ben, can you hear me?

President Shoulders: I can.

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

President Shoulders: Can everyone hear Joe Gries?

Joe Gries: Thank you, Commissioners. Yeah, we wanted to provide some information today about our efforts, through the Vanderburgh County Health Department, as far as vaccinations against the COVID-19 virus. I sent this report to you about an hour ago, and wanted to kind of go through some highlights here, and share information that we have that is occurring here at the Health Department and then maybe some information going forward. But, currently the Indiana State Department of Health has one scheduling system for the entire State, it's called Zotec. Individuals are able to schedule their appointments locally through this State system. All of our clinics, all of the clinics for Deaconess Hospital or St. Vincent's, any clinic that would be conducted locally is uploaded and entered into

Zotec. So, all of the appointments, all of the locations for these clinics are entered into that system. And, currently the State and the Indiana Immunization Coalition are responsible to decide, you know, who gets the vaccine, how much and that's their responsibility. And, then they decide, based on COVID-19 data and how much vaccine is available, who is able to receive that, and decides those distribution protocols. So, we're at their mercy, and as far as that is concerned, for us to provide vaccine, we are asked to follow those protocols, and make sure that we're distributing to the correct groups. Currently, health care professionals, law enforcement, first responders, and anyone over the age of 70 are eligible to receive the vaccine. Indiana Department of Health has indicated to us that they believe the next group will be 60 years old and up, but we just don't know the timing of this, at this time. We hope it's soon. We hope more and more people are able to, this can be opened up and more and more people can receive the vaccine. If anyone has any barriers to making an appointment, or if they don't have the internet, things of that nature, they can call Indiana 211 for help. We've heard that there's been some long lines for that, and had some issues, people are still having trouble, I would ask that they please call the Health Department, and we would be happy to help them as well. So, that's kind of, in a nutshell, the part about, you know, as far as the State's concerned. I can tell you that the Health Department has received 1,600 doses, as of late last week, of the Moderna vaccine. That vaccine we're able to store and keep here at the Health Department. We will be receiving about 600 doses each week. That's currently our allotment. Talking with our staff and working with the hospitals, as far as trying to figure out, you know, can we ramp things up even further, where we could possibly receive more vaccine, but, again, a lot of it depends on availability of what the State receives. We, last week, distributed 470 doses, and everything went very smooth, at our three clinic dates. We're very happy with our staff and being able to administer those doses. We were also able to sign everybody up for the second dose of Moderna. Everybody who receives Moderna will have to come back for a second dose, at least 28 days after the first dose. So, we were able to make appointments for them, in the future, so that they will all be able to come back and be fully immunized. We also provided the Commissioners with a calendar of all of our clinic dates through the end of March. So, I sent that to you again earlier today. This calendar has the dates, times and locations for all of the Vanderburgh County Health Clinic, vaccination clinics. Again, this information is in Zotec. When someone signs up, they'll receive an email or a text reminder that tells them where and when their appointment is. So, everybody has to have an appointment to receive this vaccination, that's how the State of Indiana has decided to conduct this. We're also working with some other local entities community-wide. We're trying to expand our distribution to our minority populations. We've started that process, and we want to make sure that everybody has equal access to this vaccine. And, you know, we want to eliminate any barriers that some groups may have. So, we've started that process, working with different groups to make sure our African American, our Hispanic and our (Inaudible) populations all have access. Those are some of our minority populations. We're working with the Mayor's Commission on Homelessness, I believe Commissioner Musgrave is part of that, and we're making plans to vaccinate some of our vulnerable populations as far as our homeless, and going into those sites and making sure we target those populations that may have some difficulties receiving this vaccine. We're, again, I said, you know, as I mentioned, we're in communications weekly with the hospitals. Lynn is meeting with their team leaders, in order to coordinate our efforts between all of us, and as more and more people become eligible for the vaccine, that's going to become more and more important. We're also working with some large employers. We've started to look at the possibility of holding clinics at these different locations throughout the city and county, it makes it a lot easier for people. If they're at work, they can get vaccinated. It also allows us to distribute a lot more vaccine very quickly. So, we are in that process as well. We're also in the process of securing transportation, obviously, with 70-year old's and up, some folks may have some transportation issues. You know, a lot of people need help getting around at those ages, and, so, we're working to track down some good transportation resources, to make sure that those folks, and possibly even our folks that may have disabilities as well, make sure they have transportation. We're really just trying to eliminate any barriers that we can to people receiving this vaccine, and that's kind of our process and what we're looking at. So, that's kind of our report to the Commissioners today, and I would be happy to answer any questions. I also have Dr. Spear and Lynn Herr here as well.

President Shoulders: Well, Joe, thank you for the report. I want to say to you and Lynn and Dr. Spear, your office, as well as both our local hospitals, have done a great job with this vaccination. I know a lot of folks who have received their first round, including my mom and dad, and they were very highly complementary of the smooth transaction it was, the time, it took literally 15 minutes, if that, and wasn't too painful either. So, well done, let's keep it up, and thank you for your time on that report. Anything to add, Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: I do. I have a question. Joe?

Joe Gries: Yes?

Commissioner Musgrave: I want to emphasize though what Commissioner Shoulders said, how anxious we all are to get the vaccine, and how grateful we are to the members of the Health Department for the many hours of overtime that you have put in, and not getting paid for that, as you're salaried.

President Shoulders: Uh-huh.

Commissioner Musgrave: And, I also want to say that I'm willing to compensate you for that, should that, should there be an avenue that we can take to do that, because it's an incredibly important work that you're doing, and I want everyone to feel valued as they are doing it. Here's my question, you said that you've received 1,600 doses of the vaccine and you're getting an additional 600 doses each week, but that you only distributed 470 doses last week. How can we ramp it up so that you're distributing all 600 doses that you're getting, and that you whittle down that inventory that you have?

Joe Gries: That's a good question, Commissioner Musgrave, thank you. And, thank you both for the kind words, and maybe taking you up on the idea of paying for overtime, so we can circle back to that. But, and, you're right, we do have to ramp it up. We wanted to make sure our process, because last week was our first week. We had those three clinic days, we wanted to make sure our process was reasonable, was efficient and now we're to the point, I believe, we're going to be meeting with staff tomorrow to talk about how we add appointments and ensure that we're getting rid of everything we have, every week. So, yes, you're exactly right, that needs to happen, and so that we can then also go back to the State and tell them, okay, we're at, you've given us 600, we're (Inaudible), can you give us 900? Can you give us 1,200? We want to get to that point where we're getting more and more. The hospitals are getting their allotment as well. So, that's great, but we also want to be able to do our part and make sure that we're getting those doses in people's arms. That's the most important thing. So, we'll be able to report, I think, to the Commissioners here maybe in a couple weeks, again, some numbers that will reflect how we've done them.

Commissioner Musgrave: Will you let us know if there are resources you need in order to be able to achieve that?

Joe Gries: Absolutely.

Commissioner Musgrave: Okay.

Joe Gries: Yes. The ask list might be long, it might be difficult, but we'll definitely make sure we bring that to you.

President Shoulders: I don't believe Commissioner Hatfield is on, but anything from legal before we move to the next subject with the Health Department? Okay.

# **Health Dept: Administrative Services Contract: Chase Throop**

President Shoulders: Joe, what else do we got here today?

Joe Gries: To be honest, I'm not sure. Do we have anything else on the agenda? I didn't see the agenda.

Commissioner Musgrave: We have a contract here with Chase Throop. Is that yours?

President Shoulders: I thought you had some contracts and some (Inaudible. Talking

over each other.)

Joe Gries: Oh, I'm sorry, yes. That contract is for, to be paid from our, what was that—

Lynn Herr: I think it's from the Immunization Grant.

Joe Gries: --from our Immunization Grant. Chase will be doing some contract tracing here locally. Something that we've been wanting to do, again, for a long time. It won't be very in depth, but we will be able to reach out to those folks that are maybe getting lost in the State's contact tracing process, and he's willing to be with us through June or so. So, over the next several months we will be able to fill that role. He was working as an intern for us for the last several months, and, so, this is an opportunity for us to kind of get back in that contact tracing game with this contract.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Hatfield?

Commissioner Hatfield: (No response)

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well. The motion passes.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

#### **Health Dept: 2021 Little Lambs Contract Renewal**

President Shoulders: Joe, it looks like you have at least one, if not two other things on here as well, I believe.

Joe Gries: Okay.

Commissioner Musgrave: The Little Lambs contract.

President Shoulders: Little Lambs or something.

Joe Gries: Oh. This contract we do each year. It, the Little Lambs is a local organization that supports families in need, and we support them through, again, our grants, we provide some funding. I think it's a total of \$200 that we provide to them, so that then they support our programs with their vouchers, yes.

President Shoulders: Okay.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve.

President Shoulders: Okay, I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Hatfield?

Commissioner Hatfield: (No response)

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: And, I am a yes as well. The Little Lambs contract passes.

(Motion approved 2-0)

# Discussion of Pending Health Department Action Pursuant to Concerts Held at a Local Establishment the Prior Weekend

President Shoulders: Dr. Spear or Joe or Lynn, anything else on your end right now?

Joe Gries: No. I talked with David just before the meeting, I think that there was a lot of interest in how a local establishment had concerts at their place last weekend. I can tell the Commissioners that we are in contact with State officials. They have provided us with reports about those concerts, and we are working with them, not through that process as of right now, but we're just finishing up things. I think, probably tomorrow the Health Department will be issuing some type of press release about what we are going to be doing in conjunction with the State offices to try to address the concerns of the many people who have contacted us about these concerts. So, we're going to be probably issuing some type of press release tomorrow.

President Shoulders: Tomorrow? Okay.

Joe Gries: Yes.

Commissioner Musgrave: Are you at liberty to say which State offices?

Joe Gries: Yeah, yeah, I'm sorry, it's the State Excise Police.

President Shoulders: State Excise, okay.

Joe Gries: Yes.

President Shoulders: Okay, so in the next 24 hours, fair to say, we'll see or know

something?

Joe Gries: Yes, sir.

President Shoulders: Okay.

Commissioner Musgrave: Can I just ask if it will be before noon, in your opinion?

Joe Gries: I believe so.

Commissioner Musgrave: Okay.

Joe Gries: Yeah, probably around 10:30-11:00 we should be sending that out.

Commissioner Musgrave: Okay.

President Shoulders: Okay. Well, as always thank you for your time. We look forward to seeing or hearing from you every meeting moving forward, as we work together to get through this pandemic. So, unless you guys have anything else, I certainly do not. Commissioner, do you? Okay. Well, thanks for your time again, and all that you do.

Joe Gries: Thank you.

### Harding & Shymanski 2020 ONEP Financial Review Engagement Letter

President Shoulders: Okay, moving on to our next item. This is the Old National Events Plaza. This is the Harding & Shymanski engagement letter to continue with their services. I ask for a motion to continue that relationship.

Commissioner Musgrave: I make a motion to continue with Harding & Shymanski in their audit of the Old National Events Plaza.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: Yes.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

# **Alternative Service Concepts: Contract Renewal**

President Shoulders: The next item is the claims service contract renewal. This is what we call ASC, but Alternative Service Concepts, LLC dba/Davies Claims Solutions. This coincides with our property and casualty insurance policy with the county. Probably should have been done last meeting, but it's okay. So, I ask for a motion to renew our claims service contract.

Commissioner Musgrave: I'll make a motion to renew it, and I want to make sure, do I have to make it retroactive in any way?

President Shoulders: I don't believe so.

Commissioner Musgrave: No? Okay, I make a motion to renew.

President Shoulders: I will second. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well. The motion passes with ASC.

#### (Motion approved 2-0)

President Shoulders: I don't believe D is being presented here today. That was removed.

# Resolution CO.R-01-21-003: Authorizing Submission of OCRA COVID-19 Phase 3 Grant Application & Accompanying Documentation

President Shoulders: We'll skip to letter C, and that is a resolution number CO.R-01-21-003. This is a resolution of the Vanderburgh County Commissioners authorizing the submission of COVID-19 Phase 3 program application. There are four pieces to this. I don't believe we need to vote on all four. I think it's all in one, correct? And, anything to add, David or Craig, before we vote on this? This is similar to Phase 2 from what my understanding is, right? Okay.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: And, I am a yes as well. The motion passes.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

# **County Engineer**

President Shoulders: County Engineer, John Stoll, I believe is with us here today. There he is. John, you've got a couple of items, I think.

John Stoll: First I have some Boonville-New Harmony Road right-of-way offers. This is for the Boonville-New Harmony Road reconstruction project between Petersburg Road and State Road 57. The right-of-way amounts, the owners and the parcel numbers are

the following; parcel 16, McEvilly, \$23,500; parcel 21, Brown, \$21,850; parcel 22, Alvey, \$14,250; parcel 23, Burress, \$12,930; parcel 24, Titzer, \$16,500; parcel 26, Anslinger, \$10,925; parcel 29, Sohn & Associates, \$20,275; parcel 30, Dunn, \$6,850, and parcel 47, Daylight Properties, \$12,650. I would like your approval to proceed with making those offers. Those were all based upon the appraisals done by the county's consultants.

Commissioner Musgrave: What was the amount for parcel 26 again?

John Stoll: 26? It was \$10,925.

Commissioner Musgrave: Okay, motion to approve the parcels as read.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes. The motion passes.

#### (Motion approved -0)

President Shoulders: What else do we have, John?

John Stoll: I've got change order number 17 on Green River Road, Phase VI. This is the section of Green River Road that runs between Kansas and Boonville-New Harmony. This is a change order that has no net cost change to the project. Previously the Commissioners had approved making some modifications to the road side ditch that was eroding and had standing water out in front of Northwoods Church. At the time that work was approved, it was coded in the INDOT payment system as having federal participation, and it does not. So, this change order just corrects that error.

President Shoulders: Okay.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve change order number 17.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

President Shoulders: Anything else, John?

John Stoll: Yes, I also need your approval to have a Community Crossings financial commitment letter signed outside the meeting. We need to get some cost estimates done for the Walnut Road Bridge, and I didn't have those at the time of today's meeting. So, I can prepare the letter, I just need your approval to get it signed outside the meeting, like we did last fall with one of the paving applications.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve the Community Crossings financial commitment letter for January 2021 applications, with the final numbers to be filled in after this meeting when research on that is done.

President Musgrave: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

President Shoulders: And, John, do you have one more thing? Or, am I seeing that wrong?

John Stoll: Just one clarification on that, that application will be for the bridge on Walnut Road just south of Campbell Road. The last thing I had is, I've got three forms that need the Commissioners signatures for the 2020 bridge inventory. It's part of the process for submitting the final reports. We need the Commissioners signatures on the three pages for the reports themselves.

President Shoulders: Okay.

John Stoll: That just came up yesterday, and I didn't have it available at the time when I

sent you my items on Friday.

Commissioner Musgrave: Motion to approve.

President Shoulders: I'll second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well.

# (Motion approved 2-0)

President Shoulders: John, thanks.

John Stoll: Thanks.

# **Board Appointments**

President Shoulders: Okay. We thought we did all the board appointments last meeting, but there were several that we did not get to, and so I am going to read all of these and ask for a motion. I think there's still a couple more we need to do next meeting, but for now there's several here. So, I couldn't remember if I appointed myself to the Redevelopment again, but I'm going to read it off anyway, because I don't remember if I did or not. Ben Shoulders, Vanderburgh County Redevelopment Commission; Ramona Harvey, Advisory Board on Disability Services; Eric Wageman, Board of Examiners of Construction and Roofing; Peter Winzeler, Board of Examiners of Construction and Roofing; Ron Dauby, Board of Examiners of Construction and Roofing; Don Beavin, Electrical Examiners Board; James Stidham, Electrical Examiners Board; Brian Hollman, Evansville-Vanderburgh Emergency Management Advisory Council; Deavron Farmer, apologies if I mispronounced that name, Evansville-Vanderburgh County Emergency Management Advisory Council; Dave Rector, Old Courthouse Foundation Board; Jordan Whitledge, Old Courthouse Foundation Board; John Kluesner, Old Courthouse Foundation Board; Audrie Burkett, Vanderburgh County Redevelopment Authority, and Amy Word, Vanderburgh County Redevelopment Commission, as a non-voting member recommended from the EVSC School Board. Do I have a motion to approve?

President Shoulders: So moved.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well. Those board appointments are now fulfilled.

#### (Motion approved 2-0)

# **Department Head Reports**

President Shoulders: Moving on, department head reports. I think John just reported. Anything else, John, that you have? Any other department heads we have with the county who have any additional reports for us? Department head reports? Okay.

#### **New/Old Business**

President Shoulders: New or old business? It doesn't look like we have anything. I'm going to say the same thing I say every meeting, the three W's. Please continue folks to wear a mask, wash your hands and watch your distance. Stay safe and stay healthy.

### **Consent Items**

President Shoulders: Consent items, I ask for a motion to approve the consent items as slated.

Commissioner Musgrave: So moved.

President Shoulders: I will second the motion. Madelyn, the roll call please.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes as well.

#### (Motion approved 2-0)

# Public Comment

President Shoulders: We now open it up to public comment. I believe we have three people, three individuals who have signed up to speak here in front of us today. I believe we have the order they would like to speak in, if I'm not mistaken. Number one, I believe is Lindsey Krantz. Can you come forward, Lindsey, and pronounce your name, your address and what your topic is please.

Lindsey Krantz: Yes, thank you, just a moment please. Okay, thank you. My name is Lindsey Krantz. I live at 1168 South Dexter Avenue, Evansville, Indiana, 47714. I have recorded a message. Thank you for your attention, Commissioners. Let me fill you in on a currently ongoing struggle at the jail for eye glasses for one person, who shares the struggle to get glasses with many at the jail. He asked me for a pair of plus two diopter reading glasses, so I called the jail and they confirmed he could receive them. Since the Vanderburgh County concentration camp already screened for glasses, deemed him a need, then refused to issue him glasses, as happens to many people there. Get that, an eye exam with no glasses forthcoming. So, I took in glasses costing \$6.42, which immediately got broken by the medical cart. Now, I have spent more gas money and another \$6.42 when I tried to drop off a second pair at the jail. The rude person on the intercom said that he needs to do a sick call for his broken glasses. That cost \$15 which might be an insurmountable financial burden. We're up to \$27.84 so far, and this onus should not be on the beloved community, as Dr. King called us. So, no glasses? Your money or your sight. When I was a kid I learned to read a few weeks after getting glasses. It's twisted to deny captive people glasses, not to mention enraging and indefensible. I don't want to hear about the Indiana Jail Standards. I'm asking person to person to you Commissioners and to Sheriff Wedding, why not issue glasses to prisoners? Why let so many suffer half blind at the aquarium? Without lies, this policy cannot be compassionately defended. And, finally, no retaliation, please and thank you. Any questions? I would just like to say that it seems that several of you wear glasses, and just imagine if you did not have those and somebody gave you an eye exam, told you, you needed glasses, and then refused to give them to you. Just imagine. Thank you.

President Shoulders: Thank you, Lindsey for your time.

David Jones: Can I ask a question?

President Shoulders: Yeah.

David Jones: Ms. Krantz? What's the name of the inmate that you say was involved with

this?

Lindsey Krantz: I'd rather not say for his privacy.

David Jones: Well, then how can anybody verify or follow up on this, if you can't identify

the person?

Lindsey Krantz: Okay, well, in that case I will identify him, just to make sure, like you said, for follow up. His name is Scott, with two t's, Allen with an e, Ward, W-a-r-d. And, he's at VCCC now. His glasses were broken and he needs a new pair.

David Jones: Thank you.

Lindsey Krantz: Thank you.

President Shoulders: Thank you again, Lindsey. Our next speaker we have, unless legal has anything else to add? No? Is, it looks like, and again apologies if I mispronounce, it looks like Seamus? Is that—

Seamus Coffey: Seamus.

President Shoulders: Seamus Coffey.

Seamus Coffey: Yes, sir.

President Shoulders: If you could state your name, your address and your topic here

today, sir.

Seamus Coffey: My name is Seamus Coffey. My address is 920 Southeast Sixth Street, Apartment A, and I'm here to talk about a few concerns with network security for Vanderburgh County and a potential impropriety by the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office. So, as I'm sure many of you are aware there is a social media website and app caller Parler, that was recently hacked and 70 terabytes of its data was released publicly onto the internet. As a result of this, heat maps showing the GLIP information scraped from photos and videos was uploaded onto an ARC GIS software to show the location of individuals who were using this app, which has been linked directly to the terror attack in Washington on January 6th, being at the VCSO on Harlan and the known addresses of several local deputies. As of right now, Parler is back up on the internet and hosted on Russian servers, which means that right now there are members of the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office with an app on their phone that is run and (Inaudible) by servers of the Russian Federation, possibly compromising network security for the City of Evansville-Vanderburgh County. It also raises the issue of allegiance to that flag right there, when we have individuals that are participating in online communities that openly acted in insurrection no less than two weeks ago. I ask that you, the County Commission, and Sheriff Wedding, I thought I saw him in here earlier, look into this, specifically looking into the possibility that members of the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office might have participated in the financial assistance, planning and/or support of an open insurrection in Washington on January 6th. If this is a possibility, I believe it is of the utmost importance, as this data, 70 terabytes of log in information, IP information, GLIP information, GPS data, email addresses, passwords and all of the posts that were held on the website are a matter of public record, it's only a matter of time if individuals who work for this city, or who work for the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Department, work for the county, have participated in this online service, that it would become a matter of public record and an embarrassment to Vanderburgh county. So, my question to you is to take into consideration that this is an issue that exists, that this is data that is out there, and that in

the coming weeks, months and year we will only hear more and more about this as this data is searched through and combed through. Thank you very much.

President Shoulders: Thank you, Mr. Coffey. Our legal has made note of this and—

Seamus Coffey: Pardon?

President Shoulders: Our legal team has made note of this, and we will, we have taken your notes down.

Seamus Coffey: Alright, thank you very much. I will also be forwarding information that I've gathered on this to the Vanderburghgov email address for the Commissioners later this week.

President Shoulders: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Coffey.

Commissioner Musgrave: Can I ask a question here? I want to make sure I understood what he was asking us to do. What is it exactly, are you asking us....I wrote it down here. Are you asking us to investigate this?

Seamus Coffey: I'm asking you to be aware of it, and if possibly, yes, investigate it, but like also, it's of the utmost importance that the Sheriff's Deputies and the Sheriff not be participating in social media services that are directly tied to white nationalism and white supremacy as they have attacked the national capital.

Commissioner Musgrave: Alright, thank you for the clarification.

President Shoulders: Okay. Our next speaker we have, I think this is the final one here today, is Deirdra Cole. Did I pronounce that correctly? Deirdra Cole? Is Deirdra here? Pardon me? You decline to speak? Okay. That's the only three speakers we had down for today.

# **Recessing of Meeting**

President Shoulders: So, on that note, I believe I ask for—

Commissioner Musgrave: A motion—

President Shoulders: --to recess.

Commissioner Musgrave: --to recess? So moved.

President Shoulders: --our emergency....Okay. I will second. Madelyn, the roll.

Madelyn Grayson: Commissioner Musgrave?

Commissioner Musgrave: Yes.

Madelyn Grayson: President Shoulders?

President Shoulders: I am a yes.

#### (Motion approved 2-0)

President Shoulders: And, Lindsey, we can speak after the meeting. We've just adjourned.

(The meeting was recessed at 3:34 p.m.)

#### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

#### **Commissioners:**

Approval of the January 5, 2021 Emergency Commission Meeting Minutes.

**Employment Changes:** 

Co. Engineer (1) Health Dept (13) Co. Clerk (3)
Sheriff (4) Surveyor (2) Prosecutor (6)
Co. Assessor (1) Area Plan (1) Superior Court (3)

**Surplus Requests:** 

County Surveyor: Printer/Copier/Scanner. Weights & Measures: 1994 Chevrolet 3500.

Weights & Measures: Monthly Report: 11/16-12/15/2020.

County Clerk & County Treasurer: December 2020 Monthly Reports.

County Engineer: Department Report & Claims.

County Auditor: Claims Voucher Reports: 1/4-1/8/2021 & 1/11-1/15/2021.

**Those in Attendance:** 

Ben Shoulders Cheryl Musgrave David Jones
Craig Emig Madelyn Grayson Joe Gries
John Stoll Lindsey Krantz Seamus Coffey
Lynn Herr Others Unidentified Members of Media

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