MEMORANDUM LA PORTE COUNTY COUNCIL & COMMISSIONERS JOINT WORKSHOP

October 28th, 2024

The La Porte County Council & Commissioners Joint Workshop was held on October 28th, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. (central time) in the Assembly Room of the La Porte County Government Complex, 809 State Street, La Porte, IN 46350.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Council President Randy Novak.

Councilman Yagelski, Councilman Rosenbaum, Councilman Novak, Councilman Koronka, and Councilman Mollenhauer (who appeared for the meeting at the timestamp of circa 00:06:30), and Board of Commissioners President Connie Gramarossa were all physically present for the meeting, while Councilman Kiel and Board of Commissioners Vice President Rich Mrozinski appeared electronically via Zoom. Councilman Cunningham and Commissioner Joe Haney were not present for the meeting.

Human Resources Director Monique Thomas and Payroll Administrator Mary Moore presented the Council with a rough outline of a time and labor tracking system for La Porte County Employees. They reported on how the system would allow for more accurate reporting of benefits, SBOA record retention, and paycheck forecasting for employees, noting that the county's current system was based on a hand-written honor system. Of the three vendors selected, Paylocity was Mrs. Thomas' and Ms. Moore's preferred vendor, and employees would be able to log in via computer or tablet, relative to their departments' needs. Mrs. Thomas noted that ARP Funding would be sought to pay for the selected vendor, which if approved, would launch on July 1st of 2025.

EMS Director Eric Fenstermaker reported on the new Michigan City EMS building layout, while Stryker Emergency Care representative Pierson Szubelak gave a presentation on Stryker's EMS Plus Program, which addressed FDA expected service life inflation and price increases, EMS Injuries, liability and medical advancement, paramedic shortages, program benefits, price ranges for and trade-ins for the program, and AED discounts for the county if Stryker was selected as a vendor. Mr. Szubelak discussed liability concerns, trade-in, and replacement timeframe concerns with the Council.

Examined & Approved by the La Porte County Council this 25th day of November, 2024.	
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