

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
October 15, 2013-Amended
9:30 a.m.

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel, Commissioner Matt Reedy,
Commissioner Tom Joray

All Commissioners were present for meeting.

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel called the meeting to order at 9:30AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a silent prayer observed.

Commissioner Matt Reedy made a motion to approve the October 1, 2013 commissioner minutes. Commissioner Tom Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the payroll of October 4, 2013 in the amount of \$337,031.59. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. No claims were presented for approval.

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Executive Sessions which were held on July 2, 2013 and October 9, 2013. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other committees -Commissioner Hounshel stated that the Building Needs Committee did meet and that topic will be discussed later in this meeting.

Juvenile Detention Center Director, John Long presented the Juvenile Detention Centers September 2013 report.

Kimberli Myers, Lin Montgomery and Dr. Bobb, representing the Jackson County Health Dept, came before commissioners requesting approval for the Public Health Education Coordinator Contract (PHEC). The contract is dated October 15, 2013 - December 31, 2013. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approval the contract. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

911 Director, Heather Davis and a representative from Owens Communications came before commissioners to request approval of the contract and notice to proceed. This is in regards to the two (2) new 911 dispatch console centers. Contract has been reviewed by County Attorney, Susan Bevers. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Debbie Hackman, on behalf of the Brownstown Chamber, requested use of the courthouse lobby on December 9, 2013 from 5pm - 7pm to provide shelter for Santa's visit.

Commissioners reviewed the proposed 2014 Jackson County Holiday Schedule. Commissioner Hounshel read the proposed schedule of fifteen (15) paid holidays. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve as presented. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

JL Brewer, Community Corrections Director, presented the Jackson Jennings Community Correction annual report. This report is for the dates of July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013. Highway Supervisor, Warren Martin, came before commissioners requested the following additional:

- 46,000 for Highway - 2-202-233 -Bituminous Mixed Agg-estimated increase in MVH funds from 2012 Sept to 2013 Sept to be used for roads
- \$2669.30 for Highway-2-202-222 -Salt/Cinders- Recycle money

Mike Armstrong representing Janssen & Spaans Engineering, Inc., along with Supervisor Martin presented commissioners with the Jackson County Bridge Reports. The reports included general maintenance recommendations and top priority bridge rehabs/replacements. Armstrong stated that he is impressed with the work completed by the bridge maintenance crew since the last inspection, which was two years ago.

Martin discussed the \$6,500 grant money from the Community Foundation of Jackson County, which was granted in anticipation of the Vallonia Storm water project approval. Even though the project was not funded, the Foundation allows the county to retain the grant money received. Discussion was held in regards to purchasing property to build a retention pond, in hopes of stopping the flow of sand in the area. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve the purchase of Shoemaker and Toppe properties using the \$6,500 grant. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion approved. County Attorney, Susan Bevers will contact home owners.

Martin stated that the county will accept bids for Hay ground. Bids will be accepted in the Auditor's office no later than 4 p.m. on November 4, 2013. These bids will be opened at the Commissioner meeting held on November 5, 2013.

Martin stated that the Highway received delivery of a new truck on Friday and expecting the other truck to be ready this coming Friday.

Martin stated that currently \$163,900 of Motor Vehicle Highway funds have gone toward paving. He stated that with the money received, they are focusing on dead end roads or parts/pieces of deteriorating roads.

Martin stated that the County Sale which was held October 5, 2013, brought in approximately \$29,600.

Planning Commissioner, Mike Weir, stated that the recording system is in place at their new office. The move will be dependent on phone line installation.

County Attorney, Susan Bevers, discussed with commissioners an issue regarding the 2013 Fort Vallonia Days Festival. The issue deals with how far from taxpayers property lines the festival needs to be. After discussion, Commissioners stated that following road closure from last meeting stands as approved:

(From October 1, 2013 meeting minutes)

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel brought before Commissioners a request regarding road closures for Fort Vallonia Days. The request included areas on Main and Water Streets in Vallonia on October 19th & 20th, 2013. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the request as presented. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy and Commissioner Joray advised Commissioner Hounshel that he had their support to settle further disputes regarding County owned property in regards to the 2013 Fort Vallonia Days Festival. County Attorney Bevers stated that as long as festival is to be on public property and the festival cannot cross the taxpayer's property line and the taxpayer cannot have blocked access to their property.

OLD BUSINESS:

Courthouse Expansion: Commissioner Reedy stated that the Building Needs Committee did meet since last commissioner meeting and that all members were in agreement to move ahead with Cooler Designs. Commissioner Reedy made the motion to move ahead with Cooler Designs, Commissioner Joray second the motion, 3 yes votes, motion carried. Cooler Designs will draw up plans for the expansion pending council approval of funding.

K-9 shelter: Commissioner Hounshel stated that with regret, the project has been put on hold. The funding is in place to build the shelter, but not in place to operate.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Reedy discussed with other commissioners, problems of maintaining the County website. After discussion, it was decided to approach Council for funding for employee training on the website.

The meeting recessed until November 5, 2013 at 6:00PM.

Jerry Hounshel - President

Matt Reedy

Thomas M. Joray

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest