

Minutes of  
Jackson County Commissioners  
June 3, 2014  
6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Jerry Hounshel, Commissioner Matt Reedy &  
Commissioner Tom Joray

Absent: All commissioners were present for this meeting.

Commissioner Jerry Hounshel called the meeting to order at 6:00PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a silent prayer observed.

Commissioner Matt Reedy made a motion to approve the May 20, 2014 commissioner minutes. Commissioner Tom Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the payroll of May 30, 2014 in the amount of \$337,868.74, and monthly claims in the amount of \$1,318,181.55. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

**Reports from other Committees :**

Commissioners Reedy and Joray stated that progress has been made on the new restroom facility at the fairgrounds. Commissioner Hounshel then stated that work is being completed weather permitting and that even if not completely finished by the time of the fair, it will be functional for the 2014 fair.

**End of Reports from other Committees**

Planning Commissioner, Mike Weir, came before Commissioners in regards to a property in violation of Ordinance #23 - Property Maintenance. Weir stated that he and Paul Ramsey have visited a home on Redding Road and attempted to talk to the owner. He stated that no progress was made in discussing the violation with the home owner. Weir showed pictures of the residence to commissioners. Weir stated that the home is within the City of Seymour's two (2) mile fringe. Attorney Susan Bevers stated that she will contact Seymour Attorney, Rodney Farrow to discuss the matter. Weir was advised to send out initial letter to property owner of violation of Ordinance #23. Commissioners then discussed the expenses that will be incurred for this Ordinance in 2014. After discussion, it was decided to pay for expenses from the Commissioner's Contractual Services line.

Julie Riggs and Cheryl Kenyon with Thrive Alliance then came before Commissioners with their annual appropriation request and provided the Commissioners with information on several of the services they provide for the county. The request was for \$16,100, the same as the previous year. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Terri Fish, along with her husband Mark Fish, then asked Commissioners to address the handicap access to the war memorial in the courthouse lawn. Terri Fish stated that the problem lies with the gutter that is along the main sidewalk. Commissioners discussed that a cover needs to be placed over the gutter so wheelchairs can have access to the memorial. Commissioner Hounshel apologized for the oversight and stated that this problem will be taken care of quickly.

Commissioner Joray stated that he has been made aware of a possible signage problem at the 90 degree turn located on 875N and 550 E. Commissioner Joray asked Jerry Ault, present from the Highway Dept, to make sure proper signage was up in regards to this issue.

Commissioner Reedy stated that the CAFO committee has gathered more information which was passed on to Attorney Bevers. Bevers stated that a draft will be brought to the next Commissioners meeting for review.

Attorney Bevers then presented 2014 Ordinance #8, Commissioner Bill #4. Commissioner Hounshel performed a reading by title only. This ordinance amends section 32.05 of previous ordinance, changing the 911 advisory board from a board of ten (10) members to a board of eleven (11) members, with the 11<sup>th</sup> member being a representative of the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Bevers then presented 2014 Ordinance #9, Commissioner Bill #5. Commissioner Hounshel performed a reading by title only. This ordinance amends section 32.08 of previous ordinance, changing the Visitor Center board to a recommending body to the Board of Commissioners for hiring/terminating the Visitor Center Director position. This also changes the director position to an at-will position from permanent. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Bevers then presented 2014 Ordinance #10, Commissioner Bill #6. Commissioner Hounshel performed a reading by title only. This ordinance enacts the supplement to the Code of Ordinances. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Mike Carothers presented Commissioners with the May 2014 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report and Dog Detention Report.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard, stated that he has started on the 2015 Commissioner budget and will have this for review at the next meeting. It was also stated that Mark Norman will bring in a budget for the Jackson County Fair for building/grounds improvement to be placed within the commissioners budget. Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter stated that the Jackson County Soil and Water budget/grant will also be placed back within the Commissioners budget for 2015- all except salary.

Commissioner Reedy then asked Jeff Hubbard to review and verify that all titles held by the county are in the Board of Commissioners name.

Emergency Management Supervisor, Duane Davis then presented to Commissioners the March/April Bi-monthly report. Discussion was also held regarding the emergency alert system and a drainage problem for the Emergency Management office.

The meeting recessed until June 17, 2014 at 9:30AM.

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Jerry Hounshel - President

Matt Reedy

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Thomas M. Joray

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Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest