

Minutes of  
Jackson County Commissioners  
July 1, 2014  
6:00 p.m.

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

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

Commissioner Tom Joray made a motion to approve the June 17, 2014 commissioner minutes as amended - Date correction, meeting held on June 17. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve the payroll of June 27, 2014 in the amount of \$339,237.34 and claims in the amount of \$795,596.67. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

**Reports from other Committees :**

Commissioner Hounshel stated that it appears progress has been made on the Fairgrounds new restroom facility with painting taking place last week.

Commissioner Hounshel stated that the Schneck Medical Center Board lost a long time dedicated member with the passing of Mr. Doug Hill on June 26, 2014. Mr. Hill served on the hospital board for 18 years and will be sadly missed.

**End of Reports from other Committees**

Bill Read with INDOT, came before Commissioners to request their blessing to replace the structure over the Luckey Talley ditch. Read stated that the project for a three sided structure will begin in late 2015 or possibly early 2016. Commissioners Joray and Hounshel gave INDOT their blessing to complete the project. Read also stated that the Sand Creek Bridge will also be replaced, possibly around the same time as the before mentioned project.

Kendra Zumhingst, representing the Search Committee for the Jackson County Visitor Center, came before commissioners to inform them that the committee is in 100% support for the placement of Karen Weik to the position of Director of the Jackson County Visitor Center. Commissioners stated that they have reviewed her resume and Commissioner Joray stated he had also spoken with a couple members of the Visitor Center Board. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve the recommendation to appoint Karen Weik to the position of Director of the Jackson County Visitor Center. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Hounshel stated that since Commissioner Reedy is not present, the commissioners will review the CAFO ordinance at the next meeting when all commissioners are present. Commissioner Joray stated some concerns with efficiencies of bio filters.

Highway Supervisor, Warren Martin along with Brad Isaacs with Janssen & Spaan presented the On - Call Agreement to commissioners for review and/or approval. Commissioners requested Attorney Susan Bevers to review the contract. Upon Attorney Bevers' review, Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Martin along with Mike Armstrong with Janssen & Spaan presented the 2015-2016 & 2017-2018 bridge inspection cost agreement. Armstrong stated that the price increased from \$248,500 to

\$260,500 mainly due to the increased cost of underwater inspections and the change that any bridge rated as a 4 must be on a 12 month inspection schedule instead of 24 months. Commissioner are to review the information and a contract will be presented at a later meeting. Armstrong also presented the Shieldstown Bridge drawings for review. These drawings will be available to sign at the next meeting with all commissioners present.

Martin then discussed the changes taking place at PebbleBrook Drive and Quail Creek Drive. Martin stated that Hallmark Homes Inc. out of Indianapolis, will be placing a model home on Quail Creek Dr. and request access from that county road. Martin also stated that All Star Paving will be placing a facility on PebbleBrook Dr. and also requested access from that county road. Attorney Bevers stated that a driveway permit should work in this instance but that a clause will be added to the effect, that the county will have no responsibility in maintaining the driveway once off the county road. Attorney Bevers will construct an agreement concerning the driveway permission.

Martin stated that Bridge 228 - Rockford, is progressing well. He informed commissioners that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues of every month from 2pm - 3pm a Progress meeting will be held at the Fish & Game Club building located on the east side of the bridge site.

Martin stated that Joe Plumer has been contacted regarding the "hay ground". Plumer understands that the hay ground is to be used for soy beans for one (1) year only. All rent payments are now current on this ground.

Martin stated that a second right of entry is needed for the Shieldstown bridge. This will be taken care of by Attorney Bevers.

Martin informed commissioners that paving is almost complete.

Martin stated he contacted Terri Fish regarding the handicap access to the war memorial on the lawn of the courthouse. Fish stated that she has already used the access to visit the memorial.

Discussion was held in regards to the roads at Martha's Vineyard. Attorney Bevers stated that she has contacted the City of Seymour and they have no further input. Commissioner Joray requested holding off on sending a letter, and he will get with Martin to speak with the Martha Vineyard developer concerning the next step to be taken.

Brenda Klosterman then appeared before commissioners with a request for a temporary road closure. Klosterman requested that County Road 460 E be closed on Sunday July 13, 2014 from possibly 7am to 1pm. The closure is to correspond with the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the St. John's Sauers Lutheran Church. Klosterman was instructed to call the highway department a couple days prior to the event and the proper signage will be placed.

Sheriff Mike Carothers presented the June 2014 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report and Dog Detention Report.

Sheriff Carothers then presented two (2) titles for commissioners to sign for vehicles to be traded in. Vehicles to be traded are:

2007 Crown Vic Police Int VIN# 2FAFP71W37X148422

2008 Crown Vic Police Int VIN# 2FAFP71V98X115384

Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Emergency Management Director, Duane Davis, presented the May/June 2014 Emergency Management Bi-Monthly Report to commissioners for review. Davis also presented the 2013 Sub Grant Agreement for approval. After review, Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to

approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard informed commissioners that an appointment needs to be made to the Brownstown Public Library board. Terry Lyon-McCarthy does not wish to be reappointed. After discussion, Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to appoint the Brownstown Library Board of Trustees suggested replacement of Barry Cutter to the Brownstown Public Library Board. Commissioner Joray seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried.

The meeting recessed until July 15, 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