

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
October 21, 2014
9:30 AM

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

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 7, 2014 commissioner minutes as amended-paragraph 3 on page 3 regarding Prairie Wind Subdivision was added. Commissioner Tom Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the payroll of Oct 17, 2014 in the amount of \$341,797.31 . Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees :

Commissioner Joray stated that at the last meeting of the Plan Commission, changes were recommended to the CAFO ordinance. This changes may be presented to the Commissioners at the first meeting in November.

Commissioner Hounshel, stated that the Ambulance Advisory Board met with an architect (Bill Cooler of Cooler Design) at the possible site of the additional ambulance station. The architect and board discussed modifications that would need to be made to the old State Police Post Garage to convert it into an ambulance station with living quarters. Commissioner Hounshel stated that a long term lease/agreement could be put in place, with the station remaining the possession of the State of Indiana.

End of Reports from other Committees

Anne Scarlett with the Juvenile Detention Center presented the September 2014 Report to Commissioners.

Sandy Hackman, on behalf of the Brownstown Chamber of Commerce came before commissioner to request the use of the Courthouse lobby for Hometown Christmas on December 9th from 6pm - 7:30pm. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Hackman is to coordinate the specifics with Custodian Jana Wessel.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Joray made a motion to appoint Arlene Calmer to the Advisory Board of Redding Twp Fire Protection District to fill the unexpired term of Conrad Calmer. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

Highway Supervisor, Warren Martin presented commissioners with a breakdown of costs from the Cavanaugh and Shieldstown Bridges.

Martin stated that Shieldstown Bridge left on October 8th, 2014. His recommendation is to use Duncan Robertson Inc in the amount of \$1,036,287.30 for the Shieldstown Bridge Project. After discussion, Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve Martin's recommendation. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Martin then asked Commissioners to review and sign a letter to Kevin Heilman, giving his company permission for a new drive to be placed off Pebble Brook Drive, a county road. The approval is conditioned upon several requirements. Mr. Heilman must reply with his agreement to the County Commissioners, C/O the Jackson County Auditor. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Martin then asked for approval of the following additional appropriations:

Reimb from insurance for guardrail/bridge damage -amount total of \$5,643.85
Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Bridge #195: \$633.00

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Bridge #228: \$13,311.55

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Martin and Jerry Ault then discussed with commissioners the project of replacing all county yield signs to stop signs. They presented paperwork separating the signs into the three districts. Martin stated that the highway has funds to replace one district now, with the other two to be completed by late 2015. The cost per sign is currently \$28.52. After discussion it was determined to begin with District One. County Attorney Susan Bevers is to draft an Ordinance for the next commissioner meeting.

Commissioner Hounshel then discussed a one block closure of an unnamed street in Vallonia. The unnamed street is off of Main Street. County Surveyor Daniel Blann has performed a survey on this property. Commissioner Joray made a motion to vacate this unnamed street in Vallonia and to move the closure on to Plan Commission. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard informed Commissioner that they were invited by Phyllis Culp of Schneck to attend a meeting on Ebola. The meeting will be hosted by the hospital and Jackson County Emergency Management.

Sheriff Mike Carothers stated that in regards to Ebola, modifications have been made to intake questionnaires and screenings.

Attorney Bevers stated that the motorized vehicle ordinance discussed at the last meeting is in process.

It was then stated that the minutes need to reflect that the Auditor's Office received Reimbursement on 2013 EMPG Salary on October 7, 2014, in the amount of \$28,797.50. This money was put into the County General Fund, on quietus #13087.

Commissioners recessed until November 5th, 2014 at 6:00PM.

Jerry Hounshel - President

Matt Reedy

Thomas M. Joray

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest