

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
February 3, 2015
6:00 PM

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

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 minutes of the January 20th, 2015 Commissioner Meeting. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

After review of claims and payroll, Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve the payroll of January 23, 2015 in the amount of \$341,090.15, and monthly Claims including electronic checks for a total of \$3,661,190.06. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

No Reports from other Committees were given.

Auditor, Kathy Hohenstreiter presented commissioners with the 2014 Nepotism Forms for review. Hohenstreiter stated that all forms were returned with signatures except for Judge Poynter and Judge Markel.

Tom Callahan came before commissioners to discuss the changing of county yield signs to stop signs. Callahan presented a report to each commissioner regarding County Road 925 W & 225 S and the report was read to Commissioners by Callahan. Commissioner Reedy stated that since these roads fall in his district, he would make a recommendation to take the information under advisement giving time to review the report with the county attorney and highway supervisor.

Old Business

Commissioner Reedy made a motion to appoint Melvin Beeker to the Jackson-Washington Fire District Advisory Board. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Beeker will serve the remainder of Larry Sunbury's term ending December 2015.

End of Old Business

Highway Supervisor, Warren Martin came before commissioners to discuss the newly placed stop sign in Kurtz. Highway 58 has reopened but will require short closures to finish bridge work. After discussion, Commissioner Reedy made a motion to let the sign stand as is and readdress the permanency of the sign in May or June 2015. Commissioner Joray seconded. Two yes votes, motion carried. Commissioner Hounshel voted no. Martin stated that pedestrian crosswalk signs and the painted crosswalk in Kurtz will be completed when the weather improves.

Warren Martin then informed commissioners of the following:

1. Shieldstown Bridge – Duke Energy was out at the bridge. Duke has agreed to allow Townsend in to remove two trees. Highway will perform the cleanup.
2. Set a wage scale for 2015 paving program on Feb 11th, 2015 at 10AM at the Highway Dept.
3. Copy of Chip and Seal for 2015 given to each commissioner for their district. A total of 56 mile of road for an amount of approximately \$341,000

4. Salt Supplier in Louisiana is back up and running. County may get another 100T to complete contract.
5. Ordinance for Vallonia for stop sign on Bundy Street. Martin stated he has not marked street yet because he was waiting on the ordinance.

Commissioners then read Ordinance 2015- (# to be determined), regarding Bundy Street in Vallonia. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. This ordinance prohibits parking on the paved portion of Bundy Street in Vallonia.

6. 4 mile of road was added to the county inventory in 2014. Our current road inventory is 738.39 miles in Jackson County.
7. Martin stated that he and Commissioner Hounshel attended a meeting regarding Cavanaugh Bridge. A Cost reduction of shortening the bridge and eliminating the pier was presented . They were estimating the savings at \$150,000. The Cost reduction was turned down and bridge will be constructed as originally designed.
8. The unofficial detour route that was set for the closing of Highway 58 has incurred some damage. Martin stated that an approximate 100 ft section the full width of the road is broke down. Martin has contacted Bill Reed and reported the damage.
9. An engineering firm has notified the county that at Hangman's Crossing on 2nd street in Seymour, the city is going to rework the street up to our county road 525 N.

County Auditor, Kathy Hohenstreiter presented commissioners with a list of the 9 properties that were not sold at the tax sale in 2014. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to sell these remaining properties at a Commissioner Sale on April 15, 2015 at 10am, with a starting bid of \$200 on each property. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard provided Commissioner with an updated appointment list and their February 2015 calendar.

Sheriff Mike Carothers presented the January 2015 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report and Dog Detention Report.

Sheriff Mike Carothers then presented an Affidavit of Equitable Revenue Sharing for Assets – Amended Form for approval. Commissioner Reedy made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Berl Robinson, a resident of Vallonia, requested that the Commissioners reread the Ordinance previously approved regarding Bundy Street in Vallonia and voiced his concern on the naming of the street.

Commissioners recessed until February 17th, 2015 at 9:30AM.

Jerry Hounshel – President

Matt Reedy

Thomas M. Joray

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest

