

Minutes of  
Jackson County Commissioners  
September 21, 2010

Commissioner President Monte Striegel called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. A silent prayer was also observed.

Monte Striegel made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 07, 2011 minutes as corrected. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the payroll of September 10, 2011 in the amount of \$305,834.31. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Trena Carter with Administrative Resources appeared before Commissioners giving an update on the Vallonia Storm Drain Project and a time line for the Pershing Township Volunteer Fire Department.

Commissioner approved the payment of an invoice for the Vallonia Income Survey done by Jon Padfield in the amount of \$850.00.

Ardell Mitchell appeared before Commissioners regarding the changing of precinct lines. Attorney Susan Bevers will research the correct procedure and report back at the next scheduled Commissioners meeting.

Shirley Arney with Centerstone appeared before Commissioners explaining the various services provided to Jackson County residents during fiscal year 09/10. John Schafstall stated that there should be better communication between Centerstone representatives and Jackson County Community Corrections. There have been instances when clients have been charged twice for drug screens. After a lengthy discussion on the subject of services versus dollars paid for services Commissioners agreed that more information is needed before releasing funds to Centerstone. Attorney Susan Bevers will work closely with Centerstone's attorney and work towards a solution.

Larry Miller with the Jackson County Health Department appeared before Commissioners requesting approval of an Option to Purchase Real Property at \$20,000.00. The property was previously the Jackson Jennings Co-op and is located west of the Health Department. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

**The purchase price for the property is \$1,800.00, and such price shall be paid for the property at the time of closing. This option may be exercised by giving notice of exercise to seller Joe W. and Kimberly S. Schafstall at 8908 N. CR 760 E. Seymour, Indiana at any time during the primary period from the date of this instrument until 5:00 PM on September 30, 2010, or during the extension period, if the option is extended. John Schafstall made a motion of approval. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.**

Jerry Hounshel on behalf of the Fort Vallonia Days Festival Committee requested approval to close the following streets to traffic on October 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> 2010 for the annual festival. 1) Main Street from Poplar St. to Church St. 2) Water Street from Main St. to St. Louis Ave. These streets are to be closed from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Susan Bevers presented on the notice of polling places for the upcoming election. Monte Striegel made a motion to approve. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Marc Lahrman reported issues with the new dog control ordinance. Sheriff Lahrman reported that the Town of Medora has dropped off animals at Red Sky Rescue. Commissioners agreed that the ordinance was passed to include non-incorporated areas of the county.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin reported that he has been in contact with representatives from the City of Lawrence in reference to the Bell Ford Bridge and wishes to assure the Commissioners that the heritage of the bridge will be protected.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin submitted the Bridge Inspection Contract for approval. Monte Striegel made a motion to approve. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin submitted the following Emergency Transfer requests for approval: 1) \$30,000.00 from Cumulative Bridge Misc. Small Structure to Medora Covered Bridge Engineering Services. 2) \$565.00 from Motor Vehicle Highway Fund, CDL Testing to Consulting Fees. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve both requests. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin submitted a change order from Milestone in the amount of \$9,178.00 for work done in Hamilton Township. John Schafstall made a motion to approve. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin submitted a change order for Mutton Creek Phase I. And a change order from Milestone in the amount of \$19,000.00 to finish the road by Robertson Cemetery. John Schafstall made a motion to approve. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Monte Striegel made a motion to approve the Bridge Inspection Contract with Janssen & Spaans Engineering. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry Hounshel made a motion to place a speed limit sign at 40 mph on Old Vallonia Road. Monte Striegel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried. John Schafstall voted no.

Jason Fee with Janssen & Spaans Engineering gave an update on work on the Medora Bridge. Another time extension was given and the completion date is now June 2011.

John Schafstall made a motion to place a stop sign in Redding Township. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Susan Bevers presented an agreement for signature with Prosperity Ag & Energy Resources. The agreement is for Grant writing services for a grant for the Jackson County Juvenile Home. The cost of the services is \$5,000.00. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve. Monte Striegel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried. John Schafstall voted no. An invoice was also submitted from Heartland Consulting for the second half of the home study. After much discussion Commissioners agreed that it would be in the best interest of the county to wait until the final study has been completed.

Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard informed Commissioners of a request received from the Republican Party Chairperson to hold the Precinct Committee meeting in the Commissioners meeting room. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to deny the request. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

The meeting recessed until October 5, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

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Monte Striegel – President

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John Schafstall

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Jerry Hounshel

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Debra Eggeman - attest

