

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
January 04, 2011

Members Present: Commissioner Jerry Hounshel, Commissioner John Schafstall, Commissioner Matt Reedy

Others Present: Sheriff Mike Carothers, Attorney Susan Bevers, Auditor Debra Eggeman

Jerry Hounshel called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance. A silent prayer was also observed.

Matt Reedy nominated Jerry Hounshel to serve as chairperson for calendar year 2011. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

John Schafstall nominated Matt Reedy to serve as vice chairperson for calendar year 2011. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 21, 2010 minutes as presented. John Schafstall seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried. Matt Reedy abstained.

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the payroll of December 31, 2010 in the amount of \$322,042.03. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Attorney Susan Bevers presented Resolution #2011-1 which establishes the meeting dates and times for the Board of Commissioners. John Schafstall made a motion to approve. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

John Beatty with Beatty Insurance, Inc. appeared before Commissioners presenting a renewal proposal for the county's property and casualty insurance. Mr. Beatty explained that he has been notified by the current carrier Municipal Insurance Alliance that they are not going to renew the policy effective January 1, 2011. Beatty Insurance representatives met with Municipal Insurance Alliance and appealed the decision based upon the county having a good loss experience for the last several years. After review Municipal refused to rescind the cancellation of the policy. Local Independent Agents of Jackson County met and contacted Public Entity Insurers and submitted applications for bids. Applications were submitted to Travelers, Hylant, OneBeacon, Scottsdale, Bliss & Downy. OneBeacon presented the best proposal. Mr. Beatty proposed to Commissioner that they accept OneBeacon with Beatty Insurance remaining as agent. John Schafstall questioned the insuring of older vehicles stating that it makes no sense to insurance a vehicle worth maybe \$6,000.00 with a \$5,000.00

deductible. Matt Reedy suggested that the older vehicles be self insured. Matt Reedy made a motion to accept Mr. Beatty's proposal. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. The total renewal premium will be \$228,038.00.

Jerry Hounshel opened statements of qualifications from Beam, Longest & Neff and FPBH, Inc. for the Vallonia Storm Drain project. John Schafstall made a motion to forward the information to the scoring committee for review and make a decision at the next scheduled Commissioners meeting. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Jerry also stated that he has received an update from Trena Carter that the Pershing Township Fire Department, Fire House was not funded. The Fire Department wants to try again. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to pursue funding for the fire department. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry Hounshel welcomed new Commissioner Matt Reedy and new Sheriff Mike Carothers.

John Schafstall made a motion to retain Susan Bevers as County Attorney for calendar year 2011. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Susan will provide legal representation for the County Commissioners.

Sheriff Mike Carothers reported that things are going smoothly at the jail.

Commissioners signed the Covered Bridge Certification to be forwarded to the Auditor of State.

Commissioner made board appointments terms expiring at the end of 2010 as follows:

- 1) **Board of Review** – (1-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Jim Weesner and Max Noblitt. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 2) **Plan Commission (City of Seymour)** – (4-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Kenneth Pfaffenberger. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 3) **Board of Health** – (4-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Wesley Whitler. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 4) **Jackson County Cemetery Commission** – Commissioners tabled this appointment until the next scheduled Commissioners meeting.
- 5) **Hospital Board – Jackson County Schneck** – (3-year term) Matt Reedy made a motion to appoint Terry Gilliland to replace Isaac Chadwell. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to reappoint John McCoy. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 6) **Jackson County Plan Commission** – (4-year term) Jerry Hounshel made a motion to appoint John Schafstall to replace Monte Striegel. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Curtis Wischmeier. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 7) **Alcoholic Beverage Board** – (1-year-term) John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Kenny Sweeny to replace Matt Rust. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

- 8) **County Drainage Board** – John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Ray Redicker for a 3 year term and John Schafstall to a 1 year term. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 9) **Jackson County Industrial Development Corporation** – (1-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Matt Reedy. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 10) **Human Services, Inc. Board of Directors** – (2-year term) Jerry Hounshel made a motion to reappoint Keith Boling. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 11) **Jackson County Community Corrections Advisory Board** – (4-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Charlie Murphy to replace Andy Fountain. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Terry Goodin to replace Roger Bane. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Matt Reedy made a motion to reappoint Mike Weir. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Matthew Rust. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 12) **Ambulance Services Authority Board** – (4-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Marilyn Chadwell. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 13) **Board of Fire Trustees – Pershing Township** – Commissioners tabled this appointment until the next scheduled Commissioners meeting.
- 14) **Board of Fire Trustees – Brownstown Township** – (4-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Dan Botkin. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 15) **Board of Fire Trustees – Driftwood Township** – Commissioners tabled this appointment until the next scheduled Commissioners meeting.
- 16) **Board of Fire Trustees – Grassy Fork Township** – (1-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Everett Hackman. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 17) **Board of Trustees – Hamilton Township** – (1-year term) Matt Reedy made a motion to reappoint Jack Hercamp. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 18) **Board of Trustees – Jackson/Washington Township** – (1-year term) Matt Reedy made a motion to reappoint Richard Stuckwisch. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 19) **Board of Trustees – Owen/Salt Creek Township** – (1-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Brian Ferguson. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 20) **Board of Trustees – Redding Township** – (1-year term) John Schafstall made a motion to reappoint Matt Main. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.
- 21) **Jackson County Visitor Promotion Commission** – (2-year term) Jerry Hounshel made a motion to reappoint Cindy Lucas and Ronald Cobb. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin submitted an additional appropriation request from the Cumulative Bridge fund in the amount of \$150,000.00 for work on bridge #195. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the request. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin reported that WTH has reworked items and it is now possible to review the total miles of road for each district. Warren also requested a meeting with new Commissioner Matt Reedy to review the road program.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin reported that Janssen & Spaans Engineering will be doing the bridge inspection this year and will put existing files on a CD.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin reminded John Schafstall to meet with Eric Bruend to go over the schedule of costs for ROW at Rockford Bridge.

John Schafstall thanked the Sheriff's office and Community Corrections for all the hours put in for the repair of the Superior Court I building. John also welcomed new Commissioner Matt Reedy.

The meeting recessed until January 18, 2011 at 9:00 AM.

Jerry Hounshel – President

Matt Reedy

John Schafstall

Debra Eggeman - attest