

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

January 14, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Monday, January 2, 2019 at the Ripley County Annex Building, Versailles, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Auditor Copeland.

Commissioner Stratton opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag. Commissioners Stutler, Horstman, Stratton, Auditor Copeland, and County Attorney Ertel were in attendance.

Maintenance—Johnnie Lohrum

Mr. Lohrum was present talked about the trees at the courthouse needing trimmed. Mr. Lohrum had 2 bids, 1 from Adams and 1 from Hughes. This will consist of about 30 trees. Commissioner Stutler made the motion to accept Adams bid of \$4,650.00 Commissioner Horstman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Technology—Ms. Kelly Vollet

Ms. Vollet wanted the commissioners to know that her and Ms. Cairns kept up on the web site when the snow hit with the road conditions. Mr. Matt Chastain let the commissioners know that he started a new app for the cell phone called WhatsApp.

EMA

Mr. Darrell Ake was in attendance. Gave an update on the EMA office. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to make Darrell Ake the Interim for the EMA/ADA Director position till someone is hired, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to retroactive the pay for EMA/ADA Director till January 7, 2019 Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Sheriff—Mr. Jeff Cumberworth

Sheriff Cumberworth has a jail officer leaving and is replacing them with Matthew McFarland. The jail has had 3 busted windows that are getting fixed. Mr. Randy Holt used his personal 4-wheel drive on Sunday to be able to get out. He did fill it up with gas.

Extension Office – Mr. Dave Osborne

Mr. Osborne was in to have the 4-H contract signed.

Highway Department – Mr. Ray Toops

Mr. Toops was present. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to order 3 more trucks, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Ripley County Tourism – Terri Throwbridge

Ms. Throwbridge needs a signature to reappoint Paul Sipples and a new appointment of Kim Evans. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to approve the appointments and Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

EMS – Mr. Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman had the commissioners sign the Medicount contract again with some amendments in it. Mr. Huffman talked about Rescue 69 being in breach of contract for October 1 – December 19, 2018. Rescue 69 contracted rate per day is \$293.45, with that being said the quarterly draw is \$26,998.12, with the amount of days that they were in breach of contract is 80. The amount of their quarterly draw will be now be \$3,522.12. ($\$293.45 \times 80 = \$23,476.00 - \$26,998.12 = \$3,522.12$). Commissioner Horstman made the motion to reissue the quarterly check for \$3,522.12 for Rescue 69 due to breach of contract from October 1 – December 19, 2018, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Treasurer – Ms. Cathy Volz

Ms. Volz came to the commissioners to see if they would buy a new fax machine and new printer for her. Ms. Volz had 2 bids for each product. Commissioner Stutler made the motion to pay for a new printer and new fax for the Treasurer's office based on the lowest price out of Cum. Cap, Commissioner Horstman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Probation – Mr. Shannon Schmaltz

Mr. Schmaltz wanted to give the commissioners some information on the CADS program. There will be an article in the Atlantic paper sometime this year written by Beth Macy. Mr. Schmaltz wants to build a 10x11 structure in the board room of the courthouse 1st floor. The room will cost \$1,103.26 and that money will come from a nontax based fund. The room will be sound proof for MMCH to have therapy sessions. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to build the wall, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 2 yes 1 abstain. Mr. Schmaltz needs a new window in the front of the probation department. Mr. Schmaltz had one bid for the window but the commissioners asked if he would get another bid before they decide.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the January 02, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Stutler moved to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Stutler moved to approve the claims with a second from Commissioner Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

The Commissioners signed the Payroll Vouchers, Claim Vouchers, and Claims being paid from the commissioners' budget.

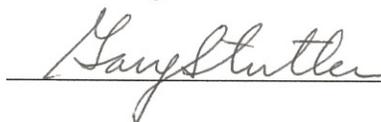
The commissioners are going in the back room one at a time to look over applications. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to recess to go over the EMA/ADA applications one at a time, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Commissioner Horstman made the motion to reconvene, Commissioner Stutler 2nd. Motion passed 3 yes.

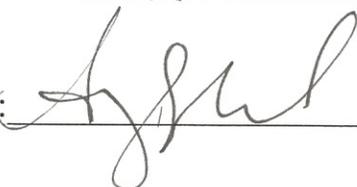
Commissioners Horstman made the motion to accept the applications that are on file, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to set an executive session on January 28, 2019 at 11am to do interviews, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

With no further business to attend, Commissioner Stutler moved to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

 _____ Rodney Stratton, President

 _____ Gary Stutler

 _____ Mark Horstman

Assts:  _____ Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor