

# Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

## February 24, 2020

### Roll Call.

**Present:** Commissioners Rodney Stratton, Mark Horstman, Gary Stutler, Auditor Amy Copeland and Attorney John Ertel.

### Pledge of Allegiance

### Maintenance – Johnnie Lohrum

Mr. Lohrum gave an update and stated that everything is going good.

Commissioners looking at doing a transfer to Mr. Lohrum's pay line due to having to hire for his position with him retiring on April 17, 2020.

**Motion:** Commissioner Stratton made the motion to approve the minutes from February 10, 2020, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Commissioner Stratton made the motion to approve the claims and payroll, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

**Motion:** Commissioner Stratton made the motion to appoint Jared Rogers to the SEIRD 2020 Citizens Advisory Committee, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

### EMS – Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman and Attorney Ertel gave an update on the purchase of the Rescue 69 building. The closing of the property will be on March 9, 2020 at 9am.

### Highway Garage – Ray Toops

Mr. Toops stated that the Community Crossing Grant should hear something within the next month. Mr. Toops stated that they are having complaints about the Amish tearing up the roads with their steel wheels on their buggies, tractors and equipment. Was a lot of debate on the matter, Commissioner Stutler and Mr. Toops is going to try and gather up more information.

### Park Board – Kenny Bowling

Mr. Bowling brought in 5 quotes for the grandstand at the park, based off of the architect's recommendations. The quotes are as follows:

Mike Holman Excavating Inc. \$136,200.00

Johannigman Excavating, Inc. \$127,700.00

Schneider Trucking & Excavating \$78,000.00

Poole Group Inc. \$117,236.00

C/H M Excavating & Construction Inc. \$96,000.00

Going to table the quotes to get their proposed start date, completion date and to clarify they have workers compensation and liability insurance.

Park Board came in with a new board member to be appointed. No board member was appointed going to advertise the position first.

The Commissioners have made a decision that a public notice should be done for all board members that they are going to appointed or reappointed by the county commissioners.

**Motion:** Commission Stratton made the motion to make a public notice for all appointed and reappointed board members by the county commissioners, **Action:** Approve, **Moved by** Rodney Stratton, **Seconded by** Gary Stutler. Motion passed unanimously.

**Technology – Becky Cairns**

Mrs. Cairns stated that we need to update our Microsoft licensing. The amount of the update is \$5,900.00, pay out of contractual services.

**Discussion**

Commissioner discussed exempt and nonexempt employees. The question is do they gather comp time, sick time, personal time, and vacation time? Commissioners are trying to make everyone that is exempt and nonexempt the same by having the same amount of time off.

**Motion:** Commissioner Stutler made the motion to adjourn, **Action:** Adjourn, **Moved by** Gary Stutler, **Seconded by** Rodney Stratton. Motion passed unanimously.

 \_\_\_\_\_ Mark Horstman, President

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Assts:  \_\_\_\_\_ Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor