

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting
March 13, 2017

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m. Monday, March 13, 2017 at the Ripley County Highway Garage, Osgood, Indiana.

Superintendent Toops advised they had requested 650 tons of salt on the State Bid for the next season. He also stated they would present a 5 year plan to the council on replacing trucks.

The geological study for Bridge 22 has been completed.

The purchase of a road crack patcher was discussed and will be investigated further.

With no further business to attend, Commissioner Linville moved to recess to the annex. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to reconvene the meeting with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes and Commissioner Stutler opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag. Commissioner Stutler, Linville, and Stratton were present as well as Auditor Wagner and County Attorney Ertel (arrived at 9:55am)

EMA—Mr. Patrick Rose 8:14:33

Mr. Rose presented information on the Title VI and ADA program. He obtained signatures on the Ripley County, Indiana Title VI Assurances and Resolution 2017-01 establishing a Title VI Nondiscrimination Policy.

He also updated his grant submission requests. One is from the 2017 Safety Foundation Grant and Commissioner Linville moved for him to submit the request with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes. Also a grant request to Rising Sun Regional Foundation for police encrypted radios for all county departments which each department was contributing funds for the match. Commissioner Stratton moved to approve him to submit the grant request with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Maintenance—Mr. John Lohrum 8:21:00

Mr. Lohrum advised a valve on the boiler at the courthouse had stopped working and QPH was called to repair.

Technology—Ms. Kelly Vollet

Ms. Vollet advised she had changed the settings on the heat at the annex as the offices were cold until around noon each day with the settings Open Control Systems were using. Mr. Mark Ellis from OCS was to appear but had sent an email that he needed to reschedule

to the March 27, 2017 meeting at which time he would discuss the issues with not providing monitoring reports. He stated due to the problems for the last year they would continue to monitor the system and would NOT be charging any additional fees for the next 12 months.

Planning—Mr. Tad Brinson

Mr. Brinson provided the commissioners with an Ordinance 2017-01 that provided for a change on 1.5 acre at 4980 E. US 50 Dillsboro, In. from A-2 Agricultural to Roadside Business. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request subject to the completion of the necessary paperwork, with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Probation—Mr. Shannon Schmaltz

Mr. Schmaltz provided an update of the community service work being done by community corrections. They have recently painted the second floor of the courthouse and will be removing the carpet in preparation of the installation of the new carpet.

Sheriff—Sheriff Jeff Cumberworth

Sheriff Cumberworth advised there had been a leak in the jail. It cannot be found where it is coming from and he had a quote (\$1325.00) to paint the outside wall with waterproofing. However this wasn't guaranteed to stop the leak. It was decided to wait to see if the source of the leak can be located and then repaired.

Sheriff Cumberworth advised he had purchased a mail box to have their mail delivered to the jail location rather than pick it up at the post office.

The request for additional comp time for the jail and deputies was again brought up. Commissioner Linville moved to table with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

BREAK 9:28:45

Open Control Systems—Mr. Mark Ellis

Mr. Ellis was unable to attend and requested to be at the next meeting.

Rising Sun Regional Foundation—Ms. Jessica Redwine and Mr. Jerry Smith 9:36:45

Ms. Redwine spoke with an update of the foundation history and provided the commissioners with historical data going back 20 years of the grants provided by the foundation. All of the operation of the foundation is funded by the casino.

Parks—Mr. Kenny Bowling 9:51:15

Mr. Bowling presented the commissioners with a quote (\$2390.40) from New Marion Sales for metal to replace the roof on Building 12 (Farm Bureau Building) at the Fairgrounds. Commissioner Linville moved to have him obtain additional quotes and use

the lowest comparable quote. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Nelson Bowlus—truck signs on Michigan Road 9:57:20

Mr. Bowlus represented the Lutheran Church Cemetery in requesting an Ordinance to keep Commercial Trucks off Michigan Road to stop the damage at the intersection in Napoleon at the Lutheran Cemetery. Attorney Ertel will look into the possibility of preparing an Ordinance.

Quotes for Annex Offices and Courthouse Second Floor Remodel

Quotes were received from Jeff Hafft Contracting and Construction for the remodel of the second floor courthouse. Poole Group declined to submit a bid of the courthouse remodel as well as RB Adams Construction, Inc. Mr. Hafft quoted the scope of work at the courthouse for \$13,850.00 and replacement of ceiling tile for \$4800.00 for a total of \$18,650.00.

Commissioner Linville moved to accept the quote from Jeff Hafft for the total of \$18,650.00. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Quotes for the Annex Remodel for the Election Office and Coroner's Office were received from Jeff Hafft Contracting and Construction and Poole Group, Inc. RB Adams Construction, Inc. did not submit a quote.

Per information sent to the contractors. Jeff Hafft Contracting and Construction submitted a quote for the base scope of work for \$46,259.00. Poole Group, Inc. submitted a bid for same at \$46,344.00.

Additional quotes were requested to be submitted separately by the contractors for painting and carpeting the designated area of the annex offices created for the coroner and election. Mr. Hafft submitted those quotes—(Carpet \$5986.00 and Painting \$1650.00). Mr. Poole did not quote the carpet nor painting of the offices created. He was questioned asked if he wanted to provide a quote for both. He then went into the hall and made a phone call. He returned and advised he would do the carpet for \$5900.00 and the painting for \$1600.00 and wrote those numbers on his original quote next to the not quote originally on the quote.

The commissioners discussed the quotes and after consideration of the factors, one being that Poole Group, Inc. did not provide a quote for painting and carpeting until after the quotes were revealed, Commissioner Linville moved to accept the quotes for the base scope of work, painting, and carpet for the annex offices to be created to Jeff Hafft Contracting and Construction for a total of \$53,895.00. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

EMS—Mr. Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman presented the commissioners with two new employee requests—Mr. Danny Baas and Mr. Donovan Imel. Commissioner Stratton moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with the claims for consideration. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the claims as presented with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the minutes of February 27, 2017 as presented with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Wagner advised the commissioners the payment from The Ripley County Community Foundation could be taken in the amount of \$8880.00. He was instructed to prepare the paperwork and place the funds received in the Endowment Fund.

At this time Commissioner Stratton moved to recess until 1:00 pm to meet with the representatives from Group Benefits of Indiana to discuss information they needed for quoting the Health Insurance for the county. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

1:00 PM

Commissioner Stratton moved to reconvene with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Mr. Jackie Keller spoke from Group Benefits of Indiana on additional information needed to prepare a quote. (Large case detailed notes, claims update, and the RX file in excel). These will be requested and provided to them.

With no other business to attend, Commissioner Statton moved to adjourn the meeting with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

_____ Gary Stutler

_____ Rodney Stratton

_____ Robert Linville

Attest: _____ William Lee Wagner—Ripley County Auditor