

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting  
March 25, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Monday, March 25, 2019 at the Ripley County Annex Building, Versailles, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Attorney Ertel and Auditor Copeland.

Commissioner Stratton opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag.

**Maintenance—Johnnie Lohrum**

Mr. Lohrum was in attendance to let the commissioners know that Patterson put in a price for the yard maintenance. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to approve Patterson's price for \$1,250.00, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3 yes.

**EMA – Darrell Ake**

Mr. Ake was in attendance to let the commissioners know that he received 75 weather radios free and will be handing them out. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to make the EMA/ADA Director a full time position, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3 yes.

**Heath Department – Holley Rose**

Miss. Rose was in attendance to let the commissioners know that she will have 5 names to appoint someone to the health board by the next commissioners meeting. Commissioner Stratton asked Miss. Rose about the tobacco grant that was lost to the county. Miss Rose made the commissioners aware that the health department did their part on the grant, but the tobacco coalition did not. That job will no longer exist at the county as of June 30, 2019.

**Clerk-Ginger Bradford**

Miss. Bradford was asking the commissioners about putting more information on the sign in the lobby. Auditor Copeland told her she would look into it.

**Technology-Kelly Vollet**

Miss. Vollet was in attendance to talk about the monitor in the lobby. She stated it is not working properly and is going to have it looked at. She also wanted to make the commissioners aware that she will be retiring come December 31, 2019.

**Park Department – Kenny Bowling**

Mr. Bowling was in attendance to let the commissioners know that the open position has been filled with Monica Hansen. Mr. Bowling also wanted to see if the county garage would help with the cracks in the pavement.

### **Purdue Extension – Dave Osborn**

Mr. Osborn was in to have the commissioners resign the contract with all three names on it.

### **Superior Court – Judge Sharp**

Judge Sharp was in attendance to see if a debt collection company could be hired to help with the unpaid town court tickets. Mr. Ertel is looking over the contract to make corrections and bring back to the next commissioners meeting.

### **Highway Department – Mr. Ray Toops**

Mr. Toops was in to let the commissioners know that we should know something about the community crossing grant this week. We should also know something about the Rising Sun Regional Foundation about the grant for the tractor by April 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Toops also had a new hire for the county garage. He recommended Wayne Wall for the position.

### **Bids:**

Covered Bridge: Valley View Construction bid for \$32,623.13, but had no liability insurance with it. Rocking “S” Fence & Barn Company bid for \$36,489.32. Taking under consideration.

### **Bids:**

Asphalt: Rohe Asphalt \$71.30 per ton, Globe Asphalt \$66.25 per ton, and Dave O’Mara \$61.40 per ton. Bids are available in the Auditor’s office. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to approve Dave O’Mara’s bid contingent on the community crossing grant, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3 yes.

### **Miscellaneous**

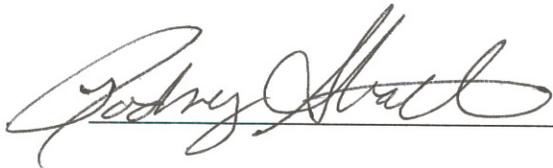
Roxanne Meyer & Holly Wehr were in for the Main Street Versailles. They are wanting Saturdays for the farmers market, they will shut off the north and west sides of the street and use the bathrooms in the courthouse. Commissioners Stutler made the motion to approve the farmers market for use of the square, Commissioner Horstman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3 yes.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the March 11, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Horstman moved to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Stutler. 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.

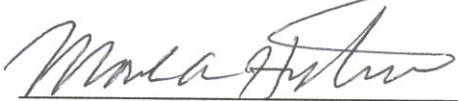
With no further business to attend, Commissioner Horstman moved to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Stutler. Motion passed 3 yes.



Rodney Stratton, President

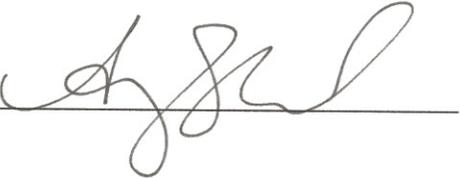
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Gary Stutler



Mark Horstman

Assts:



Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor