

## Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

April 8, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Monday, April 8, 2019 at the Ripley County Annex Building, Versailles, Indiana. Commissioner Stratton and Commissioner Horstman were in attendance as well as Attorney Ertel and Auditor Copeland. Commissioner Stutler was absent.

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 the courthouse/annex maintenance contract is up May 31, 2019. The commissioners would like to have the bids by May 3, 2019.

### **Technology-Kelly Vollet**

Miss. Vollet was in attendance to talk about the monitor in the lobby, she had one quote but the commissioners are wanting at least 1-2 more. Miss. Vollet also brought in quotes for a new shredder for the clerk's office. Office Shop quote \$2,078 and Peter Paul quote \$2,695.00. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to accept the bid from Office Shop for \$2,078, Commissioner Stratton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 2 yes.

### **MGPI**

Glenn Bowman and TJ Lynn was in attendance for MGPI. The commissioners, Glenn Bowman, TJ Lynn and County Attorney Ertel talked about the ordinance that is being put in process. Attorney Ertel made the recommendation for it to go back to the Area and Planning board meeting. Commissioner Horstman & Commissioner Stratton both made the recommendation to send the ordinance back to the Area and Planning for it to be revised. The Area and Planning Board Meeting is on May 8, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Annex Building Commissioner Room.

### **Sheriff Department – Mr. Jeff Cumberworth**

Sheriff Cumberworth came in with 2 new hires for the jail. Sheriff Cumberworth also wanted the commissioners to know that he is buying a new car out of Commissary money. Sheriff Cumberworth also wanted the commissioners to know that he is trying to get bids on a remodel of the old jail.

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

Mr. Toops brought in the waivers from Rocking S Fence & Barn Company for their workers compensation, but waiting on them to be filed with the state and sent back. Ray also brought to the commissioners' attention that we received the 1,000,000

Community Crossing Grant from the state, the county also got a \$40,000 grant from the Rising Sun Regional Foundation. Commissioner Horstman wanted to make sure everyone that was a part of the grant process knows how appreciative he is. Mr. Toops also brought in some pictures from county road 275 N where they think someone may be stealing gravel from the road. Commissioner Stratton would like for Mr. Toops to take the pictures to the sheriff's department.

### **Tourism-Terri Trowbridge**

Miss. Trowbridge brought in a new board member for the tourism. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to make Jackie Denny the new board member, Commissioner Stratton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 2 yes.

### **EMS-Scott Huffman**

Mr. Huffman was in to let the commissioners know that the EMT classes that they are doing are going great. Mr. Huffman also wanted the commissioners to know that the fuel tank in Milan is working out great.

### **Health Insurance**

Miss. Patti Boudrot and Mr. Bill Sylvester was in to give an update on the renewal of the health Insurance. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to switch our group insurance to the GAP/ELAP Crum & Forster. Commissioner Stratton second the motion. Motion passed 2 yes.

Commissioner Horstman also made a motion to approve the single case agreement with Christ Hospital for the ELAP recommendation, Commissioner Stratton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 2 yes.

### **Miscellaneous**

Mr. Jack Mass & Mr. Dennis Reed were at the meeting to talk to the commissioners about a drainage problem on their property. Attorney Ertel told them they could file a petition for removal of obstruction in a water course with the Auditor's office, but other than that they may want to contact an attorney.

Sarah Balen-Molter and Danielle Becker were in attendance with safe passage wanting to put bows on the trees for sexual harassment. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to allow them to put the bows on the trees and for the removal of the bows after the month is up, Commissioner Stratton 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the March 25, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Horstman moved to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Commissioner Horstman moved to approve the claims with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 2 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 Stratton. Motion passed 2 yes.



Rodney Stratton, President



Gary Stutler



Mark Horstman

Assts:



Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor