

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting
April 11, 2016

The Commissioners meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m., Monday, April 11, 2016 at the Ripley County Highway Department, Osgood, Indiana.

Commissioner Busching and commissioner Linville were present. Commissioner Stutler was absent due to a death in his immediate family.

Commissioner Busching stated Commissioner Stutler had requested he be named President Pro-Tem during his absence. Commissioner Linville made a motion for Commissioner Busching to serve as President Pro-Tem and Commissioner Busching seconded. Motion passed with two yes votes.

Superintendent Heaton advised the commissioners that 811 Indiana Call Before You Dig had been contacted and had completed the markings for the EMS building to bury the electric line to the generator. The roof is also being evaluated and the type of repair is to be determined.

District 1 Foreman, Steve Schonegg, has negotiated with Dave O'Mara regarding the laying of 8/10th mile blacktop on County Road 700N and advised the price has been lowered by \$2.00 per ton. The commissioners requested he contact Dave O'Mara to see if the price would hold if they waited for funding from SB67 and HB1001 funds to be distributed from the state.

District 2 Foreman, Bob DeBurger stated he had begun the bid process for the hydro-demo on a bridge in his district. He is awaiting bidders' responses.

District 3 Foreman, Ray Toops, stated he had no business to discuss currently.

Garage Foreman, Pat Kissell stated the snow plows have been received.

With no further business to discuss Commissioner Linville moved to recess to the annex meeting room. Commissioner Busching seconded and the motion passed with 2 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to reconvene with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes and the meeting was called to order by Commissioner Busching, President Pro-Tem, with the pledge to the flag. Commissioner Stutler and Auditor Wagner were absent. The Auditor's First Deputy Amber May acted as secretary for the meeting.

Maintenance—Mr. Johnnie Lohrum 8:14:00

Not Present

Technology—Ms. Kelly Vollet 8:17:40

Nothing to report.

EMA—Mr. Patrick Rose 8:11:45

Mr. Rose requested the commissioners approve the Emergency Procedures Plan for the County. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes. Mr. Rose will take to each office and obtain signature of receipt.

Continuity of Operations is postponed to the next meeting.

Mr. Rose stated the Hazard Mitigation Plan will require the county to pay \$5552.02 and will be in like kind and attending meetings will apply to this amount.

Mr. Rose stated he had contacted the State on placing a 100 watt booster that will allow the weather radios to receive a signal anywhere in the county. Cost is around \$5000 with the Federal Government providing around \$3000.00 reimbursement. Cost includes a building for the generator and installation.

8:18:00—Assessor Shawna Bushhorn

Ms. Bushhorn questioned if the current insurance program could be extended 6 months which would allow time to get additional quotes. Commissioner Busching stated Ms. Toni Stinson of APEX Benefits was bringing additional quotes for consideration later in the meeting.

Building and Planning—Mr. Tad Brinson 8:29:35

Mr. Brinson presented the favorable rezone request from the Planning commissioner for the commissioners to consider on Part of the SW ¼ of Section 14, Township 8 North, Range 12 East, Franklin Township, Lot 1 of the Akins Subdivision (2.17 acres), 5059 E. State Road 350, Milan, Indiana from I-1 Enclosed Industrial to Roadside Business.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Mr. Brinson advised the commissioners Mr. Dwight Bauman was not able to take his vacation days before his anniversary and requested they extend his time to be able to use his 5 remaining days. Commissioner Linville moved to allow him 6 months from April 11, 2016 to take those days. Commissioner Busching seconded and the motion passed with 2 yes.

Sheriff—Sheriff Jeff Cumberworth 8:38:10

Sheriff requested the commissioners sign a HIPPA form.

The copier in the booking area is not working and he will be going to the technology committee to request a new one.

Has had additional water leak that was fixed and the repaired toilets were installed. The Integrator has tripped several times and locks to replace old locks in the jail have been received and will be installed.

Waiting on ordinances for fee on background checks, security system false alarm calls, and work release to be completed.

EMS—Mr. Scott Huffman 8:44:49

Requested Mr. Tanner Maltbie changed to full time for the open position first of May, 2016. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

The issues with the current billing company were discussed. It seems that approximately 300 runs were lost in the system and never billed. We may be able to be paid for some.

8:53:35 Commissioner Busching questioned the invoice from American Legal Publishing for Web Hosting for 12/22/2015 to 12/21/2016. It is to be investigated.

The breakers on the generator were discussed. Recommendation from Glenwood Electric is to reduce the breaker on the generator to 125 amp and pulling ground wire in the existing conduit between the generator and panel. Also installing two 60 amp breakers in the panel in the building and removing the one 100 amp breaker.

Highway Foreman Steve Schonegg questioned if any decision was made on the damage by Enterprise Pipeline. No response has been received. Attorney Ertel stated the county may have to sue them for payment.

Health Dept.—Ms. Vicky Powell 9:15:12

Ms. Powell requested the commissioners attend executive session of the Health Board Meeting April 19, 2016 at 6:00pm. Commissioner Busching stated they would need to recess today's meeting so they all could attend.

9:16:46—Mr. Darren Wood requested the commissioners sign the rebate forms releasing the rebate to him from Duke Energy for partial payment for the LED lights in the courthouse. Also Judge Ryan King now wants the Circuit Court lights be replaced as well (\$4954.00) Darren asked the rebate be assigned to him from EPAC and he will replace those lights as well with no additional cost to the county. He will verify with EPAC. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

He advised this was also available for the work at the jail and once received he would donate ½ back to the county. Commissioner Linville moved to approve this as well with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

He advised he had repaired a couple exit signs and had a couple more to fix and there would be no charge. The commissioners thanked him for this and he stated “it’s my county”.

BREAK—9:35:26

Judge King and Court Services Director Shannon Schmaltz 9:40:37

Judge King presented Ms. Shelby Allen as an intern for his court. Her School provides all compensation.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Judge King is applying for a 4 year \$55,000.00 per year grant for a Juvenile Service Coordinator. This program provides some options to change behavior of the juvenile. Some counties have seen reduced detention costs for juveniles.

Will require office space and the waiting area in court services would be sufficient. Only need would be a wall at approximately \$2000.00. Judge King anticipates the grant to pay for it.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Director Schmaltz advised the Community Corrections Board approved the hiring of Mr. Brent Casebolt as a part time field person. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with the approval of Council of funding. Commissioner Busching seconded and the motion passed with 2 yes.

BREAK—9:54:13

SIRPC—Ms. Mary McCarty 9:57:56

Ms. McCarty advised the commissioners it was time to reapply for unoccupied housing rehabilitation program. Application is due July 1, 2016. Target is elderly and disabled households. There are currently 32 families on waiting list. Hope is to help 14 families. Commissioner Linville moved to provide \$5000.00 for help with the matching funds and Commissioner Busching seconded. Motion passed with 2 yes.

APEX—Ms. Toni Stinson 10:27:02

Ms. Stinson advised she had been able to get the current company to reduce their initial renewal rate from 33.3% increase to 18.1% increase for the same coverage as currently provided.

She provided alternate quotes for higher deductibles and eliminating the PPO plan which would provide only Health Savings Accounts.

Commissioner Busching questioned if the current plan with current rates could be extended 6 months and she advised it could not.

Ms. Stinson questioned if Anthem could match current rate structure would the commissioners commit to them and she was advised they would. She advised she would work on it and be at the April 25, 2016 meeting.

Attorney Ertel advised that no more than one commissioner go the Health Board Executive Session and have the Board provide a report in writing for the other commissioners.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2016 commissioners' meeting with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the claims to be paid from the commissioners' budget with a second from Commissioner Busching. Motion passed with 2 yes.

Commissioners signed the payroll sheets and claim vouchers as well.

With no further business to attend to Commissioner Linville moved to adjourn with a second from Commissioner busching. Motion passed with 3 yes.

_____ Gary Stutler

_____ Mark Busching

_____ Robert Linville

Attest: _____ William Lee Wagner, Auditor Ripley County