

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting
May 06, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Monday, May 06, 2019 at the Ripley County Annex Building, Versailles, Indiana. Commissioner Stratton, Commissioner Stutler and Commissioner Horstman 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 with the contracts for the maintenance. Choice, Dunlap and QPH were the companies we received bids from. Commissioner Horstman made the recommendation to table till the May 20, 2019 meeting.

Sheriff Department – Mr. Jeff Cumberworth

Sheriff Cumberworth came in with 1 new hire for the jail.

EMS – Scott Huffman

Mr. Huffman was in for the commissioners to sign a paper for the Medicare and Medicaid to stay into effect. Mr. Huffman also came in with 5 new hires for the EMS team.

Clerk – Ginger Bradford

Mrs. Bradford was in to take to the commissioners about a service agreement for the scanning machine that belongs to the recorder's office and the commissioners. The Commissioners made the decision not to do a service agreement on the machine and to just split the cost with the recorder is something goes wrong with it.

Janitorial

There was only one in house resume given to the Auditor's office for the annex janitorial position that is open, Theresa Swinney, part-time employee of the county at the present time. Commissioners Stutler made the motion to hire Mrs. Swinney for the janitorial position that will start on June 1, 2019, Commissioner Horstman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

EMA – Darrell Ake, Interim

Mr. Ake was in with a paper that showed what new grants that had been applied for. Mr. Ake also gave his resignation as of May 06, 2019.

Highway Department – Mr. Ray Toops

Mr. Toops was in to discuss the covered bridge that needs to be repaired. He has called the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Land Mark Association but has not got any call back from either agency. The bids for the covered bridge project were for 30 days only.

Sherri Hines from USI was in to give an update on what was happening with the bridges in Ripley County.

911 – Leah Hildebrand

Mrs. Hildebrand was in to talk with the commissioners about the hiring of 2 more full time employees and 1 part time employee. She just wanted the commissioners blessing before she went to council.

Probation – Shannon Schmaltz

Mr. Schmaltz was in to ask for another courthouse key for the Margaret Mary Community Hospital personal that uses the new room. Commissioner Stutler made the motion to give Mr. Schmaltz another key, Commissioner Horstman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 2 yes 1 abstain.

Health Insurance

Mrs. Patti Boudrot was in from apex. The commissioners let the employer payroll deduction the same as last year at the April 22, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to make the equivalent premium 4%, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes. Mrs. Boudrot also brought in a claim for an employee that had been sent to collection. Elap got the county a settlement agreement. Mrs. Boudrot told the commissioners the settlement agreement was the best decision. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to pay the settlement amount of \$1,040.00, Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Miscellaneous

Melanie Fields was in about county road 350 E. The county road has GKL Campground on it. Mrs. Fields is wanting the road to be widen. Larry Eaton was in attendance, GKL Campground attorney, stated that it is a 30 campsite campground. GKL has proposed to expand the road to the counties specs. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to widen the road all the way to the campground. Ray Toops will oversee the job and the specs of it. Commissioner Stutler 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Versailles Lions Club asked to use the Courthouse bathrooms and the corner of 1st North Street and Washington. Commissioner Stutler made the motion to allow the Versailles Lions Club to use the Courthouse bathrooms and the corner of 1st North

and Washington on June 22, 2019, Commissioner Horstman 2nd the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the April 22, 2019 meeting. Commissioner Stutler moved to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the April 25, 2019 Executive Session. Commissioner Stutler moved to approve the minutes with a second from Commission Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Horstman moved to approve the claims with a second from Commissioner Stutler. Motion passed with 3 yes.

The Commissioners signed the Payroll Vouchers, Claim Vouchers, and Claims being paid from the commissioners' budget.

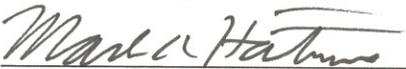
With no further business to attend, Commissioner Horstman moved to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Stutler. Motion passed 3 yes.



Rodney Stratton, President



Gary Stutler



Mark Horstman

Assts: 

Amy R Copeland-Ripley County Auditor