

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting  
May 20, 2019

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 8:00 a.m. Monday, May 20, 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. Commissioner Horstman made the motion for Dunlap to get the bid for the maintenance contract for June 1, 2019-December 31, 2020, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

**Historical Society - Mike Stratton**

Mr. Stratton was in regarding the covered bridge in Holton. The Commissioners made him aware that they have done approved the covered bridge to be fixed. The money just needs appropriated from the council.

**EMA Volunteer - Matt Chastain**

Mr. Chastain was in just to give the Commissioners and update on the EMA office.

**Citizen of Versailles - Mary Hunt**

Ms. Hunt was in regarding a water issue in the Town of Versailles. She stated that she has 6" of water in her crawl space due to the water that comes off the annex. The Commissioners and County Attorney Ertel stated for her to talk to the town and see if one of the town members can come with her to the next commissioners meeting.

**Area Planning – Tad Brinson**

Mr. Brinson was in with amendments and additions to ordinances.

Commissioner Horstman made the motion to amend 80.20 (a)(z)(ff) & 80.24 (e)(f) of the area zoning code & to add to the codification under title XV chapter 156 section 156.286 (d)(26)(32), Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

**Sheriff Department – Mr. Jeff Cumberworth**

Sheriff Cumberworth came in with 1 new hire for the jail. Sheriff Cumberworth asked about the 2 older cars that need to be sold. Commissioners told him to put

them on the auction site for one month but to make sure they know the color has to be changed.

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

Mr. Toops was in about the covered bridge. Commissioner Stutler made the motion to approve the bid from S & S Rocking Horse contingent on the additional appropriation of the council, Commissioner Horstman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

### **EMS – Scott Huffman**

Mr. Huffman was in for the commissioners to approve some applications. Mr. Huffman along with Mr. Keith Sieverding, Rescue 69 Board of Director, was in to discuss the merge with Ripley County EMS and Rescue 69. Mr. Huffman presented a letter from Mr. Sieverding that discontinues the service of Rescue 69 as of May 21, 2019 23:00 hour. Commissioner Horstman made the motion for the Ripley County EMS and Rescue 69 to merge 911 operations on May 21, 2019 at 23:00 hours, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

### **Miscellaneous**

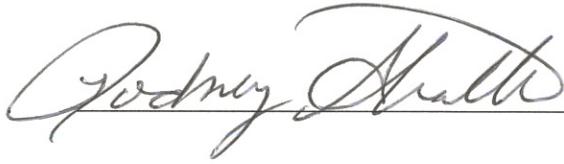
The GPA insurance had another bill with Christ Hospital that they needed advance pay on. Commissioner Horstman made the motion to pay the claim, Commissioner Stutler 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion passed 3 yes.

Auditor Copeland presented the commissioners with the minutes of the May 6, 2019 meeting, the Executive Session meeting from May 6, 2019 and the Executive Session meeting from May 8, 2019. Commissioner Stutler moved to approve the minutes to all 3 meetings with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Commissioner Horstman. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Horstman moved to approve the claims with a 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

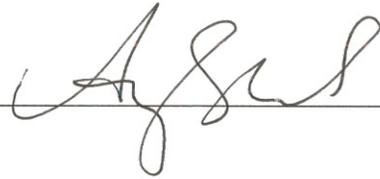


Gary Stutler



Mark Horstman

Assts:



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