

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting  
May 22, 2017

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m. Monday, May 22, 2017 at the Ripley County Highway Garage, Osgood, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Auditor Wagner.

Ms. Sherri Hines, USI Consultants, attended the meeting to inform the commissioners USI would help with the applications for the Road Grant funding from INDOT. The application process will open June 5 and will close July 14, 2017. The INDOT match will be 75% of the county funds for approved road projects to a maximum of \$1million. Commissioner Stratton moved to approve USI helping with the applications. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Foreman Brunner reported work continues on Bridge #22 and County Road 900S had been paved from Cross Plains to Benham Road. Foreman Huntington reported his district was prepping the roads for the chip and seal. Foreman DeBurger reported his district was also prepping the roads for chip and seal. Also Old 350 to County Road 50N had been paved.

EMA Director Patrick Rose provided the commissioners with the ADA assessment for their review. Once the list is reviewed it will be prioritized and a timeline for completion established.

With no further business to attend, Commissioner Stratton moved to recess to the annex. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Stratton moved to reconvene the meeting with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes and Commissioner Stutler opened the meeting with the Pledge to the Flag. Commissioner Stutler, Linville, and Stratton, County Attorney Ertel, and Auditor Wagner were in attendance.

**Maintenance—Mr. John Lohrum 8:01:35**

Mr. Lohrum advised the fire alarm at the courthouse problem had been found and repaired. He also had made repairs at the Milan EMS location. Glass at the courthouse had been repaired as well as the annex door that had been leaking. QPH was checking the condensation on the pipes in the Clerk's office that was dripping on the ceiling.

**Clerk—Ms. Ginger Bradford**

Ms. Bradford advised the phone lines and data lines in the new Election annex offices need to be dropped from the ceiling. Mr. Jeff Hafft Contracting will drop the lines but will be an additional cost to the job.

Auditor Wagner advised the commissioners that the invoice from Pulskamp's for the courthouse had been presented and was \$415.00 higher than the commissioners had originally approved. This was due to them moving furniture. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the additional cost with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**8:21:39**— The commissioners went to the courthouse to inspect an issue with the west foyer area and bathroom by the circuit court. Commissioner Stratton submitted repair/remodel estimates from Jeff Hafft Contracting for the work. This is to include the remodel of the bathroom and adding sound insulation in it and the west foyer. Total of quote was \$4295.00.

Commissioner Stratton moved to approve the quote with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes. Funding is to be from Riverboat.

**Sheriff—8:55:00**

Sheriff Cumberworth presented new hire requests: Mr. Adam Harmeyer and Mr. Roger McConnell. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**EMS—Ms. Lisa Jennings**

Ms. Jennings appeared to present a new hire request: Ms. Kelsey Patterson. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**EMA/ADA—Mr. Patrick Rose 9:27:48**

Mr. Rose advised the ADA Meeting would be 9:00am, Wednesday 5/24/2017. Commissioners will attend.

**Mr. Lance Rosenbarger-5011 N. Old Milan Road Drainage Issue---Did not show**

**APEX--Health Insurance: Ms. Toni Stinson 10:15:00**

Ms. Stinson presented the commissioners with several contracts needed for the 6/1/2017 Health Insurance renewal. The commissioners signed those that were approved by

Attorney Ertel and those that needed revisions would be signed at a later date by Commissioner Stutler, President.

Final options for the renewal were discussed. Ms. Stinson advised that Friendship Bank had agreed to waive set up and maintenance fees for those HSA Accounts opened by the employees. Auditor Wagner requested the Commissioners change the previous motion to deposit funds to the employee accounts from Quarterly to each payroll. Commissioner Stratton moved to approve Friendship Bank as the Bank for the employee HSA accounts and to deposit per payroll an amount not to exceed a maximum of \$500.00. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Next the renewal for the life insurance provided to the employees by the county was discussed. Ms. Stinson advised Reliance Insurance had provided a lower renewal cost for the new period and recommended renewal with them. Commissioner Stratton moved to approve Reliance Insurance with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Next discussed was the voluntary life benefit. Ms. Stinson recommended the commissioners renew this option with Minnesota Life as they did not have any reduction schedule based on age. Commissioner Linville moved to approve Minnesota Life for the Voluntary Life option with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Next discussed were the Employee/Employer contributions percentages. Several options were discussed. Auditor Wagner pointed out that keeping the current percentages with the renewal created a situation where the Employee/Spouse tier did not receive the employer contribution percentage.

After discussion Commissioner Stratton moved to approve the employer contributions for the following tiers, Employee, Employee/Spouse, and Employee/Children, to be 84% and the Employee Family at 85%. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Last discussed was the requirement of Section 1557 Nondiscrimination. Since Ripley County received Federal Funds a form stating Nondiscrimination needed to be included in the Health Coverage Contract.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the form and wording recommended by the Group Health Administrators and Attorney Ertel with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2017 meeting with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the claims as presented with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

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

Auditor presented a request from the Versailles Lions Club to use the courthouse square and lower level restrooms Saturday June 24, 2017 for their annual Chicken BBQ.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Also signed was the invoice to INDOT for the reimbursement of 80% of the cost of the bridge inspections.

With no other business to attend, Commissioner Linville moved to recess the meeting to the Rising Sun Regional Foundation grant review 5/22/2017 at 3:15 pm and then the ADA meeting 5/24/2017 at 9:00am in the annex after which time the meeting for the commissioners will be adjourned. Commissioner Stratton seconded the motion and the motion passed with 3 yes.

\_\_\_\_\_ Gary Stutler

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\_\_\_\_\_ Robert Linville

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ William Lee Wagner—Ripley County Auditor