

Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

July 2, 2018

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m. Monday, July 2, 2018 at the Ripley County Highway Garage, Osgood, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Auditor Wagner.

Superintendent Toops advised there was a question on the right of way for the On Target new construction on State Road 101/Rosfeld Rd. location. Mr. Ben Kersey of On Target supplied an email from Indiana DOT that Ripley County was responsible for the roadway as it had been turned over to the county. The commissioners decided to have County Attorney Ertel look over the information provided by Mr. Kersey and County Surveyor Jeff French during the meeting portion at the annex building.

He also advised road work for the current Community Crossing Grant Funding should start the 2nd week of August.

With no further business to attend, Commissioner Linville moved to recess to the annex. Commissioner Stratton 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. Commissioners Stutler, Linville, Stratton, Auditor Wagner, and County Attorney Ertel were in attendance.

Auditor Wagner advised the commissioners that the DAR had met and they requested the plaque honoring Revolutionary War Soldiers from Ripley County be placed in the annex. The commissioners stated they would honor the request.

Maintenance—Mr. John Lohrum

Mr. Lohrum advised Patterson's Nursery had provided an additional quote to trim trees for the annex location. (\$700.00)

The commissioners reviewed the lawn care contract and the tree trimming and requested Mr. Lohrum contact Mr. Patterson to see if the courthouse would be included. Mr. Lohrum returned to the meeting later and reported Mr. Patterson would include those at the courthouse as well for the price quoted.

Commissioner Stratton then moved to have application #3,#4,#5 of the lawn care quote completed and the tree trimming quote approved. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Clerk—Ms. Ginger Bradford

Ms. Bradford advised the warranty for the Big Book Scanner was expiring and advised the commissioners that she had no funding to renew it. Cost is \$3500.00 for 12 months.

Commissioner Linville moved to renew the warranty and it would be paid from the commissioner's budget. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Technology—Mrs. Kelly Vollet

Ms. Vollet advised the phone system for the security station had been installed by her and Mr. John Lohrum at the cost of an extension line.

EMS—

EMS Director Scott Huffman was unable to attend the meeting and at his request, Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with Mr. Paul Heon as new hire. The commissioners has no objections to this.

Health Department—Ms. Holley Rose

Ms. Rose advised IDEM was investigating the septic issue in Cross Plains due to a complaint received from Mr. Arthur Large.

Sheriff—Sheriff Cumberworth

Sheriff Cumberworth advised Mr. William Dreyer as the new hire for Jailer and he would be starting in two weeks.

Ripley County Food Pantry, Inc—Mr. Bill Warren

Mr. Warren returned with the revised Ripley County Food Pantry, Inc. lease. The commissioners reviewed and Commissioner Stratton moved to approve and sign the lease between Ripley County and the Ripley County Food Pantry, Inc. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Versailles Main Street—Ms. Harley

Ms. Harley spoke requesting the approval from the commissioners to use the annex meeting room to show historical videos July 28, 2018 from 12pm to 8pm. The commissioners granted the approval.

BREAK—9:23:58

Mr. Henry Pictor—

Mr. Pictor appeared and requested the temporary road closure he had previously obtained 8/14/2014 be made permanent. The commissioners and county attorney discussed and Commissioner Linville moved to take under advisement with Mr. Pictor preparing the agreement for the road closure and action would be taken at the next meeting. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Highway—Superintendent Toops

Mr. Toops discussed the right of way issue for On Target with County Attorney Ertel. Mr. Ertel stated with the information he reviewed from Mr. Kersey and County Surveyor French the right of way did belong to Ripley County.

After additional discussion Commissioner Stratton moved to replace the culvert requested by Mr. Kersey and ditch for drainage from the culvert. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

The LED replacement lighting for the highway garage was reviewed and Commissioner Stratton moved to accept the quote from Mr. Daren Wood for \$12,473.00 subject to the current rebate from Duke was still available. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with the minutes of June 18, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the claims 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.

With no other business to attend, Commissioner Linville moved to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

_____ Gary Stutler

_____ Rodney Stratton

_____ Robert Linville

Attest: _____ William Lee Wagner—Ripley County Auditor