

## Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

October 5, 2018

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m. Friday, October 5, 2018 at the Ripley County Highway Garage, Osgood, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Auditor Wagner.

Foreman Mert Huntington advised he had contacted the Railroad about a culvert under their tracks that was clogged and flooding the county road on County Line Road near Sunman. He advised the Railroad is to clean out the culvert.

Foreman Pat Kissell advised the trucks were in Indianapolis and the pre-build meeting for the beds will be held soon.

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Stratton moved to recess to the annex with a second from Commissioner Linville. 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.

### **Maintenance—Mr. John Lohrum**

Mr. Lohrum was absent. Auditor Wagner presented a quote from Traditions Group for repainting the clock tower. Repainting the gold and main body white was a total of \$5500.00. Requested payment schedule from Traditions Group was \$2500.00 when lift is rented and the balance on completion. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the quote and payment request with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

### **Building and Planning—Mr. Tad Brinson**

Mr. Brinson presented the commissioners with two re-zone requests that were approved by the Planning Board.

- 1) Part of Section 34, Township 10 North, Range 12 East, Adams Township Lots # 18-21 of the Blue Grass Acres Subdivision, 1.33 acres from A-2 Agricultural to R-2 Residential

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

- 2) Part of Section 27, Township 8 North, Range 11 East, Center Township 1.0129 acres plus 20 foot fringe area to the North adjoining the property from Local Business to Roadside Business.

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

A letter was also provided by Mr. Brinson pertaining to Woodlawn Subdivision, 12952 Coonhunters Road, Batesville, Indiana 47006 stating Mr. Eugene Gunter had obtained a quote and signed a contract to complete the road into the subdivision.

Also discussed was the unsafe property in Olean. Letters have been sent with deadlines to correct the issues on the property.

**BREAK—9:06:45**

**EMS—Mr. Scott Huffman**

Mr. Huffman advised the position of assistant director had been filled by Mr. Jason Smith. This will be a part time position with 24 hours weekly. Auditor Wagner requested clarification that Mr. Smith could hold two part time positions with the county. County Attorney Ertel researched the issue and determined that there were no issues with this as he was not an elected official.

Mr. Huffman advised he was also going to pursue grants to replace the chase trucks for the EMS.

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with the minutes of the September 24, 2018 meeting. Commissioner Linville moved to approve with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

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

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with a request to replace Ms. Lois Franklin, due to her resignation, with Ms. Pam Weiler on the Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corporation Board.

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

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Rodney Stratton

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

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