

## Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

November 5, 2018

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

Ms. Sherri Hines was present representing USI for an update on the Community Crossings Grant from the July submission. She advised results should be known before Thanksgiving.

Blacktopping from the last Community Crossing Grant is still slated to be done this year but is behind schedule due to lack of crews available and weather delays.

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**

The new boiler installation in the courthouse has been inspected by the manufacturer and meet specs.

### **Technology—Ms. Kelly Vollet**

Ms. Vollet advised there were no problems at this time.

### **EMS—Mr. Jason Smith**

Mr. Smith appeared with a new hire –Jordan Hopping who will start 11/5/2018.

### **EMA—Mr. Patrick Rose**

Mr. Rose presented an update of current grants and operations.

### **911—Ms. Leah Hildebrand**

Ms. Hildebrand discussed the needed letter of intent from the commissioners needed to apply for a 60/40 grant. This was signed.

### **Health Dept. Ms. Holley Rose**

Ms. Rose discussed the need to provide an appointment for Dr. Harley Robinson on the Health Board at the end of 2018 when his term expires. Names will be provided.

### **Sheriff—Sheriff Cumberworth**

Sheriff Cumberworth presented new hire Mr. Douglas Vaughn who started 11/5/2018. He then revisited the padded cell issue and advised he could provide \$5000.00 of the total expense for the installation. Quotes from Marathon Engineering Corporation (\$12717.00) and Padded Surfaces by B&E (\$23,352.00) were discussed. After further discussion Commissioner Stratton moved to accept the quote from Marathon Engineering Corporation for \$12717.00 with \$5000.00 to be paid from Commissary and \$7717 form the County budget. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes. EMA/ADA Director Patrick Rose advised the commissioners that he was able to provide the \$7717.00 from his ADA Compliance line item if the commissioners wished. With this information Commissioner Stratton moved to use the \$7717.00 ADA funds instead of paying them from the county general budget. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion was passed with 3 yes.

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### **Highway—Superintendent Ray Toops**

Mr. Toops provided the commissioners with transfer requests to replace funds for bituminous that were previously transferred from bituminous to equipment for an emergency purchase of a forklift. These will be presented to the Council at the November 19, 2018 meeting.

Auditor Wagner provided the commissioners with a request from Canaan Utilities to use the county GIS system for a project. Commissioner Linville moved to approve the request with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with the list of appointments made by the commissioners for 2018 for consideration for the 2019 year. These will be voted on at a later meeting.

Commissioner Stratton revisited a previous request for Personal Days for employees presented earlier in the year by Mr. Shannon Schmaltz, Director of Court Services.

Commissioner Stratton proposed beginning 1/1/2019 each employee would earn personal days on a monthly basis up to 3 per year and could accumulate up to a maximum of 5.

A written proposal is to be presented at a future meeting for a vote.

Auditor Wagner presented the commissioners with the minutes of the October 22, 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