

## Ripley County Commissioners Meeting

December 18, 2017

The Commissioners' meeting opened promptly at 7:00 a.m. Monday December 18, 2017 at the Ripley County Highway Garage, Osgood, Indiana. All Commissioners were in attendance as well as Auditor Wagner.

The commissioners and foremen had a general discussion on year end project wrap ups. Mr. Mike Raney from Laughrey Valley Co-Op presented the commissioners with the current pricing of fuel for 12/18/2017:

Gasoline 87 E10: Fixed Price \$2.266 per gallon

Open Price \$2.050 per gallon

Off Road Diesel: Fixed Price \$2.145 per gallon

Open Price \$2.223 per gallon

On Road Diesel : Fixed Price \$2.612 per gallon

Open Price \$2.690 per gallon

Commissioner Stratton moved to contract 50% of 2017 usage amounts for each category at fixed pricing. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

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. Commissioners Stutler, Linville, Stratton, County Attorney Ertel, and Auditor Wagner were in attendance.

### **Maintenance—Mr. John Lohrum**

The parking lot lights were discussed along with the flag light. The commissioners stated they would wait until the next meeting to obtain additional information.

Mr. Lohrum advised one of the Judges wanted to have a couple of the heating/AC units in the courtroom replaced as they were not able to be regulated by a thermostat. The judge will address the commissioners.

York roofing had inspected the roof of the annex and could not find where any of the leaking is occurring. They will come back in the spring and run water if necessary to determine where the water is gaining entrance into the ceiling tiles.

### **Extension Office—Mr. Dave Osborne**

Mr. Osborne presented the commissioners with the Amendment #3 Attachment A: This amends the contractual services agreement between Purdue University and Ripley County for 2018.

The commissioners signed the agreement.

**Technology—Ms. Kelly Vollet**

Ms. Vollet advised ETC –Enhanced Telecommunications Co. and SEI Data had been requested to supply a quote to replace the telephone system at the highway garage. ETC was the only one to reply with a quote of \$4896.00. Ms. Vollet advised she felt it was a reasonable price when questioned by Commissioner Stratton.

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

**Building and Planning—Mr. Tad Brinson 8:30:10**

Mr. Brinson presented the commissioners with two requests to amend the county zoning.

- 1) Ordinance 2017-08 changes Part of Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 11 East, Center Township 5.000 acres from A-2 Agricultural to General Business.

He advised the Planning Board had given a favorable recommendation for the re-zone.

- 2) Ordinance 2017-09 changes Part of Section 22, Township 8 North, Range 11 East, Center Township 20.000 acres from A-2 Agricultural to Local Business.

He advised the Planning Board had also given this request a favorable recommendation.

Commissioner Stratton then moved to approve both requests with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Mr. Brinson then requested Mr. Todd Ault be appointed to the Planning Board.

Commissioner Linville moved to appoint Mr. Ault to the Planning Board with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**EMA—Mr. Patrick Rose**

Mr. Rose advised the commissioner that he had 3 generators as surplus inventory and requested a price to have them put on the auction site. He is to have them checked out to make sure they are functional and advise.

Attorney Ertle provided the commissioners with Memorandum of Understanding that he felt was necessary between the Ripley County Sheriff's Office, Ripley County, and Jac-Cen-Del School Corporation for the School Resource Officer. This would indemnify Ripley County for any liability under the Ripley County Law Enforcement Policy and any other costs of Ripley County manifested from the Jac-Cen-Del School Resource Officer. No action was taken at this time but will be reviewed by the commissioners and Jac-Cen-Del Schools.

**Veterans—Mr. Ken Hylton**

Mr. Hylton advised Mr. Laker would provide a quote for the flag light and would also advise the cost of the parking lot light replacements.

**Sheriff—Sheriff Cumberworth 9:04:45**

Sheriff Cumberworth advised the commissioners with the names of the part-time courthouse security new hire—Ms. Theresa Shook-Elza and full time jailer new hire—Mr. Bradley Dillion.

He then presented the commissioners with the renewal of the Contract for Preventive Maintenance from Dunlap General & Mechanical Contractors. Annual cost was \$6432.00 billed monthly at \$536.00 starting January 2108.

Commissioner Linville moved to renew the contract with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

Sheriff Cumberworth then advised the inspection of the rooftop heat/ac units revealed substantial wear on one of the units. Replacement was estimated at \$25000.00. The unit is still working and the commissioners took it under advisement.

Sheriff Cumberworth then advised the inmates in the jail over 30 days are required to be sign up with the affordable care act for health insurance. He advised he had contacted an organization—Claim Aid—that will sign up the inmates. Cost will be \$350.00 per month and can be scheduled for the convenience of the jail.

Commissioner Stratton moved to approve Claim Aid to sign up the inmates. Commissioner Linville seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Sheriff Cumberworth then brought up a disagreement he and Auditor Wagner had on overtime. Auditor Wagner had notified Commissioners and Council on the use of overtime to cover Batesville Police Department during their Christmas party. He discussed the email received from State Board of Accounts by Auditor Wagner and forwarded to him stated to cover an incorporated town there should be an interlocal agreement or the town should reimburse the county for the time county deputies were covering the town. He stated the agencies had always cooperated in helping each other when needed. Auditor Wagner stated he was not questioning the co-operation between departments but only the use of overtime in this case.

Auditor Wagner stated he felt it his responsibility and obligation as Auditor to inform the commissioners of anything that was out of the ordinary and it was their decision to pay or not once the facts were presented to them.

Commissioner Stutler stated he felt Auditor Wagner had done his job by notifying them of this issue and it was the obligation of the commissioners how to resolve the issue. He stated he felt it should be paid and continue as in the past.

Commissioner Stratton moved to pay the overtime with a second from Commissioner Linville. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**Tourism—Ms. Terri Trowbridge—Executive Director**

Ms. Trowbridge requested the commissioners re-appoint Ms. Ann Fledderman and Mr. Con Karbowski to the Tourism Board for a term beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31 2019. Also re-appoint Mr. Paul Sipples and Ms. Katherine Taul beginning January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

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

**911—Ms. Leah Hidebrand**

Ms. Hildebrand invited the commissioners to tour 911 to see the upgrades that have been made. She also advised the new Spillman system was working well.

**EMS-Mr. Scott Huffman**

Mr. Huffman requested the commissioners sign the rescue units' contracts for 2018 through 2020, which they did. These will be returned to the units.

**Jac-Cen-Del—Superintendent Tim Taylor and School Resource Officer Mr. Dan Goris**

Superintendent Taylor requested the county sell them a Sheriff vehicle being retired with the lights to be used by JCD at the school. JCD agreed all markings except lights would be removed. County Attorney Ertel had to step out for a court hearing and Auditor Wagner advised Superintendent Taylor the Memorandum of Understanding needed to be revised and put into effect for indemnification to Ripley County for any costs incurred by the county from the Resource Officer.

Commissioner Linville moved to sell JCD a vehicle when one came available for \$1.00.00 with a second from Commissioner Stratton. Motion passed with 3 yes.

**2018 Bid Opening:**

The following submitted bids that were opened and read by the commissioners. All were taken under advisement to be reviewed and tabulated by County Attorney Ertel.

STONE:

US Aggregates

Hanson Aggregates

New Point Stone

ASPHALT: Ready Mix Picked Up

Dave O'mara

Hot Mix, Inc

Paul H. Rohe Co, Inc

Globe Asphalt and Paving Co, Inc

ASPHALT: Laid

Dave O'Mara

Paul H. RoheCo, Inc

Globe Asphalt and Paving Co, Inc  
BITUMINOUS ASPHALT /OIL:  
Marathon Petroleum  
Asphalt Materials  
Terry Materials  
READY MIX CONCRETE:  
Raver Ready Mix  
CULVERTS:  
Win Supply  
Civil Con  
E3Bridge  
BRIDGE/DECKING:  
E & H Bridge & Grating Inc  
Civil Con  
E3Bridge

Commissioner Linville moved to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 along with the claims. Commissioner Stratton seconded and the motion passed with 3 yes.

Auditor Wagner presented the revised Ordinance 2017-04A with corrected wording for the Sheriff Merit Officers Longevity.

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

A quote for the annex parking lot snow removal from Negangard Enterprises, Inc at \$100.00 per call was presented. Commissioner Linville moved to accept the quote 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