

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
June 4, 2019
6:00 PM

Present: Commissioner Matt Reedy, Commissioner Drew Markel & Commissioner Bob Gillaspay
Absent: All Present

Commissioner Matt Reedy called the meeting to order.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a silent prayer observed.
Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2019 Regular Meeting.
Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

After review, Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the Payroll of May 24, 2019 in the amount of \$418,517.01, along with Claims, including electronic checks, for the amount of \$2,532,208.59. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees: None

Stephanie Back Executive Director of Child Advocacy Center and Kelly Bridge, Associate Director came before Commissioner to request to be placed in the 2020 budget for \$5,000. Information was about the center and how it helps Jackson County. Commissioner Markel made a motion for the \$5,000 request to be placed in the Commissioner 2020 budget.

Amanda Arnold who was listed on the agenda was not present for the meeting.

Commissioner Markel then discussed Design Criteria Development Team for the work release center. Bond Council had presented Commissioner Markel with 3 companies that may be able to do this. After contacting them, Commissioner Markel stated that Lancer & Beebe LLC is the only company who would be able to meet the needs of the county. Commissioner Markel then made a motion to have Lancer & Beebe LLC as the Design Criteria Development Team for the Work Release Center. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. The cost of this should be figured into the bond.

Commissioner Markel then stated that there is an option to purchase a 1 year extended warranty from Astrophysics for the x-ray machine in the Judicial Center. The cost is \$4,425.00. Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve the extended warranty and to pay this invoice from Commissioner Contract Services. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Ordinance on County Rate Change on Tax Sale Parcels – Upon further review, the IC Code was found for the rules on this rate. The county is only allowed to charge \$25 per parcels or the cost of postage and publication, whichever is greater. With the cost of postage and publication being approximately \$20, the county would only be allowed to charge \$25 per parcel. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to set the county fee of tax sale parcels to \$25. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

END OF OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Reedy presented a Thank You letter he received from Dan Zuerner with Garmong.

Highway Superintendent, Jerry Ault, presented Commissioner with estimates for the repairs for CR 875N & 100W (the roads where the pavement on the hills have slid). Ault recommends LL Brown Construction Inc, with the estimate for CR 875 N for \$482,947.00 & CR 100W for 362,752.00. The county can use in kind money to go toward the county match portion. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Ault then stated that Emergency Management Director, Duane Davis has applied for a \$90,000 grant for stop arms that would be placed on roads with flooding issues.

Commissioner Gillaspay along with Jerry Ault traveled to the State Capital today to have a meeting with INDOT, with Senator Koch in attendance. The meeting was in regards to the Shieldstown Covered Bridge. Ault and Commissioner Gillaspay stated that the meeting went well. No date of completion was given.

Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter presented the annual Covered Bridge Certification Request. The certification will provide the county with \$1,850.00 from the state for each bridge certified. Commissioner Markel made a motion to certify 2 covered bridges for 2019. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Auditor Hohenstreiter then stated that when the County purchased the Kloppenburg property the 2019 estimated taxes were paid. The taxes came in lower then expected and therefore a surplus of \$2,525.64 was created. Commissioner Markel made a motion allowing this money to be put back into the Rainy Day Fund, since this is where it was originally paid from. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Markel then asked if it would be possible to see if the property located at 214 E Cross St in Brownstown would be available for purchase. This is the house located behind the Post office. Commissioner Markel made a motion to investigate this further and instructing Attorney Susan Bevers to send a certified letter to the owner. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioners recessed until the next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM.

Signed this 18th day of June, 2019.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspay

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest