

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
June 5, 2018
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 15, 2018 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

After review, Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the payroll of May 25, 2018 in the amount of \$424,473.42 along with Claims, including electronic checks, for the amount of \$2,869,642.96. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees: Commissioner Reedy stated that he attended the latest Fair Board meeting to discuss the possibility of the Hall Round Barn being moved to a location at the Fairgrounds. He stated the Board was receptive to the idea and that Arann Banks, Visitor Center Director, is working on grants for this project.

Bernie Hauersperger with FPBH Inc came before Commissioners to introduce himself and provide handouts to Commissioners about work that the company is able to do.

Tonya Couch, Karen Brooks and Ron Duncan then came before Commissioners to discuss the 2018 United Way Day of Caring. In all, 183 projects were completed that day with 1,454 volunteers completing over 7,000 volunteer hours.

Warren Martin and Morris Thomas provided the Commissioners with an update on the Judicial Center. The building is still on track for a mid September 2018 completion. The masons have increased the number of hours worked per week to speed up the brick completion. Martin then provided the change orders for 1) additional outlets in courtroom and 2) HFI rooftop curbs and 3) Asbestos inspection and removal from the Middendorf property in the amount of \$2,955. Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve all 3 change orders. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Asbestos removal will begin on June 13, 2018.

Vallonia Hotel Grant Signatures – Commissioner Markel made a motion to appoint Shannon McLeod as hearing officer for the Jackson County Commissioners. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Commissioner Gillaspay then made a motion allowing Commissioner Markel to sign Grant documents as representative for the Jackson County Commissioners. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Stephanie Back and Kelly Bridges with the Children Advocacy Center of Southeastern IN came before Commissioners to provide information about the services provided and to ask to be placed in the 2019 Commissioner Budget. After discussion, Commissioner Markel made a motion to place \$5,000 in the 2019 Commissioner Budget. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Commissioners advised Back and Bridges to attend the June Council meeting to provide this information to Council members.

Dan Davis then appeared before Commissioners to request \$30,000 be placed in the 2019 Commissioner Budget for the Jackson County Learning Center. Davis provided information regarding the Center and discussed usage of the building. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to place \$30,000 in the 2019 Commissioner Budget for the Jackson County Learning Center. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Davis was encouraged to attend the June Council meeting.

Jackson County Treasurer, Roger Hurt, informed Commissioners that on May 10th, 2018 (Tax day) there was a significant power outage. With no battery backup for servers and terminals, the Treasurers office had to stop collecting payments. After this instance, Hurt asked other counties and most report that they have battery backups for up to 4 hours. After discussion, Hurt was advised by the Commissioners to contact Mark Simmons and have Simmons get quotes and bring to the next Commissioner meeting.

Sheriff Carothers then presented 3 vehicle titles for signature and approval for trade in. The vehicles to be traded are all 2014 Chevrolets, with VIN ending in 3255, 9751, & 8054, with trade in value of \$3,300 each. Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Sheriff Carothers then presented a Claim for approval for the purchase of 2 Chevy Tahoes. Both vehicles are priced at \$35,719.00 each. Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve the purchase of 2 Chevy Tahoes with VIN ending in 3395 & 3963 out of the County Ordinance Fund (Fund 4200). Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Carothers then presented the May 2018 Jail Report, Meal Expenditure Report, Judicial Stats and Dog Detention Report. The Sheriff stated that with the completion of the Dentention Center side into Jail space, the capacity is at 228. The Inspector will be in on June 19 at which time the capacity should be confirmed.

Highway Supervisor, Jerry Ault provided Commissioners with a handout for the 2016, 2017 & 2018 Road Paser Ratings and a list of Roads he would like to turn in for the Community Crossings Matching Grant. Ault stated that he did receive information that Bridge 183, which is also a Community Crossing Project, must be complete before the county can submit another application. However, Ault will be clarifying this information with INDOT. Ault then presented two Unofficial Detours for signature. 1) for State Road 258, for 120 days between April 1 2019 & Oct 31, 2019 & 2) State Road 58 for 30 days between April 1, 2019 & Oct 31, 2019.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard stated that he will have the Commissioners 2019 budget for review at the next meeting.

County Attorney Susan Bevers stated that the closing on the Middendorf property will be held Thursday at 11am. Commissioner Markel made a motion allowing Commissioner Gillaspay to sign the documents. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy stated that the Commissioner accept the resignation letter received from Larry Raymor who is resigning from the Park Board.

Commissioners recessed until the next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 19th, 2018 at 9:00AM.

Signed this 19th day of June, 2018.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspay

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest