

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
May 05, 2010

Monte Striegel called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. A silent prayer was observed.

Members Present: Commissioner Monte Striegel, Commissioner Jerry Hounshel, Commissioner John Schafstall

Others Present: Sheriff Marc Lahrman, Attorney Susan Bevers and Auditor Debra Eggeman

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the payroll of April 17, 2010 in the amount of \$314,192.95, the payroll of May 7, 2010 in the amount of \$308,330.27 and the claims of May 05, 2010 in the amount of \$648,458.36. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Clint Walls appeared before Commissioners requesting the closing of Columbus Pike in Freetown from State Road 58 to 135 on June 11, 2010 for a truck and tractor pull. Clint stated that the proceeds from the event will go towards the Amanda Stahl scholarship fund. The hours of the road closing will be from 4:00 PM to 12:00 AM. Monte Striegel made a motion to approve the request as long as a certificate of insurance is filed in the Auditors office. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

President Monte Striegel read aloud Resolution 2010-12 which is a Resolution establishing a cumulative fire fund for certain fire protection districts in the county. Brandon Robbins with Reedy Financial Group was in attendance to answer any questions. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the request. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jim Wayman appeared before Commissioners regarding a re-subdivision of several lots in Quail Creek Phase II. Due to the economy the owners are re-platting the lots in the back part of the Sub-division. Mr. Wayman is requesting that Commissioners vacate the Right of Way leading to the back lots. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Denny Frey appeared before Commissioners regarding the City of Seymour's consideration to add Lake Leslie to the city's 2-mile fringe. Mr. Frey presented a petition representing 58% of property owners in the area who are against this move. Monte Striegel stated that this was discussed at the Plan Commission meeting. The way the Ordinance is written, the Commissioners are required to approve this move after going through the Plan Commission. The City of Seymour cannot make this change without Commissioner's approval. Mr. Frey also informed Commissioners that residents are very unsatisfied with the streets at Lake Leslie feels that the Board of Zoning should educate themselves on the integrity of the builder before the project begins.

Brad Isaacs with Janssen & Spaans gave an update on the progress of the Medora Covered Bridge project.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that there will be a Construction Wage Hearing on May 7, 2010 to determine wage rates for the Road Program. The meeting will take place at 9:00 AM at the Jackson County Highway Department.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin requested approval of the following additional appropriations from the Capital Improvement Bond Fund. \$8,000.00, for Structure #14 and \$700.00, for Structure #20. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the requests. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Monte Striegel opened Statements of Qualifications for Engineering Services for Jackson County as follows: 1) FPBH, Inc., 2)USI Consultants, 3) RQAW, 4) Janssen & Spaans, 5) Clark Dietz, 6) Bernadine, Lochmueller & Associates, 7) Butler, Fairman & Seufert, 8) DLZ, 9) Beam, Longest & Neff, 10) United Consulting. Monte Striegel made a motion to take under advisement. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin requested approval to submit a letter to INDOT requesting that the Bell Ford Bridge project be eliminated. Warren will no longer be submitting a quarterly report for this project. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin requested approval of a Project Coordination Contract for structure replacement at Tower Ridge Road. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the request. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that removal of tanks at the Highway Department will take place on May 29, 2010.

Attorney Susan Bevers informed Commissioners that there is an ordinance in place for 20mps speed limits in work zones. Warren Martin will have the signs made and signs will be placed in the work zone areas.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin reported that \$966,800.00 has been received from the state for work on the Cavanaugh Bridge. John Schafstall made a motion to get started on the bridge work. Monte Striegel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard informed Commissioners that he has spoken with City of Seymour Attorney Rodney Farrow and found that the \$4,200.00 owed to WTH for maintenance on the GIS website hosting is to be paid by the realtors using the website. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to allow Jeff to compose a letter to the realtors. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Marc Lahrman requested signature on titles to trade in two 2006 vehicles. The trade in amounts will be \$3,000.00 each. Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the request. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

John Schafstall reported that the antique building at the Jackson County Fairgrounds is in need of a new roof. The approximate cost will be \$40,000.00 and the Fair Board does not have the funds. John suggested using money from the Cumulative Capital Fund to help pay for the roof. Jerry Hounshel stated that members of the Fair Board should present this issue to Commissioners. John Schafstall made a motion to pay for the repairs from the Cumulative Capital Fund. Monte Striegel expressed his concerns that monies brought in from the fair activities remains with the Fair Board to use as they see fit and feels Attorney Susan Bevers should look into this before making a decision. John Schafstall withdrew his prior motion to allow Susan time to research the issue.

Curt Wischmeier discussed his concerns with the Canine Control Ordinance which will take effect July 01, 2010. John Schafstall explained that Commissioners are aware of changes which need to be implemented in the Ordinance and assured Mr. Wischmeier that the problems will be taken care of.

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2010 minutes as presented. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

The meeting recessed until 9:00 AM May 18, 2010.

Monte Striegel – President

Jerry Hounshel

John Schafstall

Debra Eggeman - attest

