

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
April 019, 2011

Members Present: Commissioner Jerry Hounshel, Commissioner John Schafstall, Commissioner Matt Reedy

Others Present: Attorney Susan Bevers, Auditor Debra Eggeman, Sheriff Mike Carothers

Jerry Hounshel called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. A silent prayer was also observed.

John Schafstall made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 05, 2011 minutes as presented. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried. Matt Reedy abstained.

John Schafstall made a motion to approved the payroll claims of April 08, 2011, in the amount of, \$313,029.23. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Morris Tippen appeared before Commissioners informing them that the Indiana Historical Bridge Society will be conducting a tour on July 23, 2011. Mr. Tippen requested permission to have a meal catered on the newly renovated Medora Covered Bridge in the evening hours. A Certificate of Insurance will be filed with the County Auditor for this event. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry Hounshel announced that Commissioners will need to make appointments to the Advisory Board for the newly annexed areas in Seymour, Indiana. John Schafstall made a motion to appoint Danny Eggersman and Randal Schepman to the board. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin requested approval of Ordinance 2011-9. Ordinance 2011-9 is an ordinance adding Buena Vista Drive, Church Court and Glen Grove in the Buena Vista Subdivision to the list of roads with a maximum speed limit of forty (25) miles per hour. Matt Reedy made a motion to approve the request. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin requested approval of Ordinance 2011-10. Ordinance 2011-10 is an ordinance adding the following roads with a maximum speed limit of forty (40) miles per hour: **1)** C.R. 50 S in Brownstown Township from the city limits of the Town of Brownstown to C.R. 90 S. **2)** C.R. 90 S in Brownstown Township between C.R. 50 S. and C.R. 100 S. **3)** C.R. 100 S. in Brownstown Township between C.R. 90S., and S.R. 135.

4) C.R. 50 S. becomes C.R. 90 S., which becomes C.R. 100 S. This is also known as Old Vallonia Road. Matt Reedy made a motion to approve the request. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

County Clerk Amanda Lowery appeared before Commissions requesting approval of a Collection Agreement with Eagle Accounts Group to process and collect customer Accounts receivable for unpaid fees. Chet Klene with Eagle Accounts explained that a 30% collection fee shall be added to each account. Upon payment Eagle shall keep the 30% fee and remit 100% of the principal to the County Clerk. Matt Reedy made a motion to approve upon the review of County Attorney Susan Bevers. John Schafstall seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Brad Isaacs with Janssen & Spaans Engineering appeared before Commissioners giving an update on the Medora Covered Bridge project. The completion date for the project is still set for June 19, 2011.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that Trena Carter with Administrative Resources has requested a breakdown of costs for the Vallonia Storm Drain project. Jason Fee with Janssen & Spaans has provided this information and stated that these costs will be paid out of grant monies. In order for Trena Carter to move ahead with the grant process she will need permission to send letters to property owners. Matt Reedy made a motion to allow Trena Carter with Administrative Resources to move forward with contacting of property owners. Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes Votes, motion carried.

Eric Brunn with Strand & Associates gave an update on work at Bridge #228 (Rockford). Mr. Brunn also requested signature on an application for federal funding. John Schafstall made a motion to approve the request. Matt Reedy seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor Warren Martin informed Commissioners that he has received a progress report for Bridge #195. Warren also submitted paving estimates for review.

Human Resource Director Jeff Hubbard informed Commissioners that he is working toward implementing the Flex 125 plan. The plan will allow employers to order from a menu of Pre-tax benefit options and also allows employees to put back monies to use for various purposes.

Highway Supervisor informed Commissioners of the retirement of Highway employee, John Gay.

The meeting recessed until May 3, 2011 at 6:00 PM

Jerry Hounshel – President

Matt Reedy

John Schafstall

Debra Eggeman - attest