

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
July 19, 2016
9:30AM

Present: Commissioner Matt Reedy, Commissioner Jerry Hounshel & Commissioner Tom Joray
Absent: All present.

Commissioner Matt Reedy called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a silent prayer observed.

Commissioner Tom Joray made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2016 Commissioner Meeting, Commissioner Jerry Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. .

After review of payroll and claims, Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve the payroll of July 8th, 2016 in the amount of \$388,269.14, along with Claims for July 19th, 2016, in the amount of \$393,530.66. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three(3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees: None.

County Surveyor, Daniel Blann came before Commissioners to ask for approval to purchase an ATV/UTV and trailer with 2016 GOB appropriated money. Blann states that the Bond states \$6,500 for an ATV and \$1,500 for a trailer. Blann stated that if the amount of the ATV/UTV is more than this, the Surveyor Perpetuation Fund can pay the remainder. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve this purchase. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Blann was advised to place the titles in the name of Jackson County Commissioners.

Amberly Bohall and Teresa Lorenz with Thrive Alliance appeared before Commissioners to ask for \$16,100 to be placed in the Commissioners 2017 budget for Thrive Alliance. After discussion, Commissioner Hounshel stated that the \$16,100 has already been included in the proposed 2017 budget.

Jackie Hill and Trena Carter then came before Commissioners to request the Commissioners be the Applicants for the Workforce Development Program Grant Application for JCIDC & JCEC. The due date for the application is August 19th, 2016. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Commissioner Hounshel followed with a motion to appoint Trena Carter as the public hearing officer. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. The 4-factor analysis was then presented to Commissioners, with a motion to approve by Commissioner Hounshel, pending the County Attorney's review. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. The public hearing will be held at the Jackson County Learning Center. Commissioner Hounshel then made a motion for Commissioner Joray to set on the selection committee. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Plan Commissioner, Conner Barnette then discussed with Commissioners a property maintenance issue North of Houston. Barnette stated the Howe property is okay, the Green property is making progress, but Champion will not comply. Commissioners advised Barnette to follow the Ordinance to deal with Mr Champion.

Barnette has received a letter of resignation from Tony Peters from the Plan Commission Board. Commissioner Hounshel then made a motion to appoint Clayton Beard to fulfill Peters term through the end of 2017. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sarah Brichto, on behalf of the Children Advocacy Center of SE Indiana then appeared before Commissioners to inform them on how the Center works and stated that Jackson County was starting to use the facility in Dillsboro more. Brichto then invited Commissioners to visit the facility at their convenience.

Commissioner Joray then stated that RQAW was present to make a presentation to the Commissioners. Eric Weflen with RQAW then presented options to the Commissioners for changing recreation areas at the Jail into Pods – presenting 2 options a Dormitory and 2 options for 2 man cells. During discussion, Sheriff Carothers stated that he would be in favor of Design Option 2, which transforms the current indoor/outdoor rec area into 2 man cells. Adam Collins, with Wallack Somers and Haas, PC, then presented information on Installment Contract Financing to Commissioners. After discussion, Commissioner Joray made a motion for RQAW to proceed with bring a proposal of costs to go on to Step 2. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Juvenile Detention Center Director, Steve Redicker then presented the June monthly report for the Detention Center. Redicker stated that a defensive tactics class was taken by employees and that the Transport officers are now carrying Tasers and pepper spray. Redicker then stated that he is planning to take to Advisory Board to raise the current daily rate for out of county holds to \$110 and to start charging a transport fee of \$25 per transport after initial pickup. Redicker stated that he would like to request a Full Time Transport officer once the transport fee has been implemented.

Highway Supervisor, Jerry Ault informed Commissioners that the Asset Management Plan is complete. The projects for the Community Crossing Matching Grant were reviewed. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Ault then stated, in regards to Cypress Lake, that the double pipe that Bartholmew county wants, will not work because of the width of the channel. Commissioners Joray then made a motion to advise Ault to present the proposal of the 8ft pipe to Joint Drainage Board when they meet and inform them that this is Jackson County's last attempt to solve this issue. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Mitch Patrick, County Maintenance, then appeared before Commissioners with 2 quotes for concrete repairs for the Courthouse. Kemna Restoration & Construction Inc and Ken Neely Building Restoration LLC. Upon review, Commissioner Joray made a motion to accept Ken Neely's quote up to the stated GOB amount, pending contact with State Historical Preservation office. This motion also allows President Reedy to sign a proposal with Ken Neely if needed. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jerry Ault also stated that there is a meeting tomorrow in regards to the Shieldstown Bridge at the INDOT office in Seymour, at 3pm.

Commissioner Reedy then presented a claim for signature. This is for the purchase of two Vehicles out of the Commissioners Bond appropriation for the Sheriff Department. Sheriff Carothers stated that these two (2) cars were ordered in 2015 and that currently there are NO cars on order. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve & sign the claim for \$45, 110.62. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Carothers then stated that Medicaid sign-ups have started for the inmates.

Commissioner Hounshel then stated that as he was reading through past years minutes, he came across an error. In the May 15, 2012 minutes, on page 2, the Commissioner approved obtaining a 1 acre piece

of land from Brian Toppe to build a retention pond. The minutes state the address of the 1 acre to be 3209 N Co Rd 900 W in Brownstown, IN. This address is incorrect and should be the 2300 Block S St Rd 135 Vallonia, IN.

Commissioners recessed until Tuesday, August 2nd, 2016 at 6:00PM.

Matt Reedy – President

Jerry Hounshel

Thomas M. Joray

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest