

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
August 16, 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 Jerry Hounshel made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 2, 2016 Commissioner Meeting and August 9, 2016 Special Meeting, Commissioner Tom Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

After review, Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve the payroll of August 5, 2016 in the amount of \$391,883.54 along with Claims, August 16, 2016, in the amount of \$476,866.75. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy then presented the Memorandum of Executive Session for August 8, 2016 for approval. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Reedy seconded. Two (2) yes votes, motion carried. Commissioner Joray abstained due to his absence from the meeting.

Reports from other Committees: Commissioner Hounshel stated the current target date for the ambulance station #2 to begin occupying the former State Police Post garage is February 1, 2017.

End of Reports from other Committees.

Kimberli Myers, Dr Bunce and Tiffany Jackson then came before Commissioners with a new part time PHEC contract. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve upon Attorney Susan Bevers review. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioners then discussed GeoTech testing for the Expansion Site. It was stated that Garmong may assist in getting names of firms for this but cannot choose the firm. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion not to exceed \$5,000 for this purpose. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. Commissioner Joray then made a motion allowing Commissioner Reedy the authority to select the firm. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Visitor Center Director, Arann Banks then discussed with Commissioners the Torch Relay Celebration that will take place in Jackson County on Thursday, September 15th from 10am – 12:30am. Banks asked permission for the use of the Courthouse steps and lawn, as the Courthouse is the beginning spot for the relay. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Trena Carter then presented the letter of intent for the Workforce Development Grant. Carter asked for approval to submit the application. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve sending the 2016 WDP application, pending Attorney Bevers approval. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Reedy then presented Ordinance #16, Commissioner Bill #16 for approval. This ordinance is to put into place a Social Media Policy. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Juvenile Detention Center Director, Steve Redicker presented the July Center Report. Commissioner Reedy then reminded Commissioners of the last meeting and the possibly ceasing transports for the center. After discussion, Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to cease all transports except for Jackson County Juveniles, as of August 31, 2016. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Hounshel made a motion for Commissioner Reedy to sit on the Judicial Center Committee. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Carothers then presented the July 2016 Jail report, the July Meal Expenditure Report and the July Dog Detention Report.

Lieutenant Andy Wayman came before Commissioners to request the purchase of 2 new vehicles out of the Bond funds. A 2017 Chevy Tahoe and a 2017 Ford Interceptor will be purchased using 2 Explorers as trade in's. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve and advised Wayman to title vehicles in the name of the County Commissioners. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Highway Supervisor, Jerry Ault discussed the following with Commissioners:

1. Burkhart Blvd in Seymour – informed Commissioners that INDOT is considering making the new run-around Highway 11. If they do make this change, then they will assume the responsibility of the bridge.
2. Cypress lake – the Joint Drainage Board had met and agreed to Jackson County's submitted drawing with the addition of two smaller pipes at a higher level. Ault stated that this will work. County Attorney Bevers is waiting to hear back from DNR as to Commissioners receiving a Right-of-way. Commissioners advised Ault that no work is to take place until a right-of-way is granted to the county.
3. Purchase of Salt Barn – Ault stated that 50% of the cost is needed upfront with the remaining 50% to be paid upon completion.
4. Ault requested approval to ask for an emergency transfer of \$70,000 from Cum Bridge – contract paving to Cum Bridge – Misc Small Structures. This is needed to replace aluminum boxes on 475 E in Washington Twp. Commissioner Joray made a motion to approve. Commissioner Hounshel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried. The transfer will go before Council on August 17, 2016.
5. Ault stated that he is moving current employee, John Ross, from the truck driver position to Assistant Mechanic. This will make 2 truck driver spots to be filled .
6. Ault updated Commissioners on the trucks purchased this year. The single axle is at Edingers waiting to be built. The International will not begin to be built until October 29, 2016.
7. Currently waiting on quotes for 1 Ton bridge crew truck.
8. Max Klosterman has been contacted to be the auctioneer for the 2016 County Auction. The auction will be held on October 1st at the Highway Garage. Commissioners asked Jeff Hubbard to send out notices to all office holders informing them of the auction.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard, stated that negotiations are beginning in regards to insurance.

Kathy Hohenstreiter, Auditor, presented a title to be signed. This is at the request of Dennis Brasher and is for an ambulance purchase that was previously approved. Commissioner Reedy signed the title.

Attorney Bevers then presented the RQAW Contract for Architectural Services. Upon review, Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioner Hounshel then stated that he was informed that Tom Hanner from the Owen/Salt Creek Fire Advisory Board was resigning. Commissioner Hounshel stated that Steven Wray is willing to serve to fulfill Hanners term through the end of 2016. Commissioner Hounshel made a motion to approve this change. Commissioner Joray seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Commissioners recessed until Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 6:00PM.

Matt Reedy – President

Jerry Hounshel

Thomas M. Joray

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest