

Minutes of
Jackson County Commissioners
May 16, 2017
9:00 AM

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 Bob Gillaspay made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2017 Regular Meeting. Commissioner Drew Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

After review, Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve the payroll of May 12, 2017 in the amount of \$405,669.39, along with Claims for the amount of \$328,072.53. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Reports from other Committees: Commissioner Markel stated that close to 1,000 TV's were collected at the last Solid Waste TV event. This in turn cost the Solid Waste department close to \$20,000.

End of Report from other Committees.

Judicial Center

Review and Approval of Contracts with Prime Contractors.

County Attorney Susan Bevers along with Morris Thomas with Garmong addressed the Commissioners regarding the Judicial Center contracts. Letters of intent have been sent to the 4 Prime contractors. Upon approval, the final contracts will be drafted. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion allowing Commissioner Reedy to sign the contracts with the 4 prime contractors. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

The closing is set for next week, with mobilization to be June 5, 2017.

EJ Fisher with McAllister then presented a formal rental contract for the current grader used by the Highway Department. Commissioners requested at the last meeting that Mr. Fisher present the formal rental contract. After review, Commissioner Markel made a motion to approve pending Attorney Bevers review of the contract. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Jason Enrique, with the Martha's Vineyard HOA, along with Chuck Steitz addressed the Commissioners regarding the road situation in the subdivision. History was given of the road issue to inform the new Commissioners of the problems. Previous discussions with Commissioners, resident concerns and possible solutions were discussed. It was noted that since the subdivision lies within the 2 mile fringe of Seymour City, that Seymour City was the one to approve the plat. The plat states that the County will take over the roads when they meet certain standards. The last quote given to the county from O'Mara Paving was for approximately \$60,000 to pave the roads in the subdivision. Core samples were taken in the past by Patriot engineering. After much discussion, Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to table until the July 18th, 2016 Commissioner meeting, allowing time for Highway Supervisor Jerry Ault to locate the previous road core sample results and to contact O'Mara for a paving quote. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Bobby Harris, who requested to be on the agenda, was not present for the meeting.

JL Brewer with Community Corrections then appeared before Commissioners to ask for support for the DOC Grant. The grant is for approximately \$605,000, with 20% coming up front and the rest in monthly distributions. Commissioner Markel made a motion to show support and allow Commissioner Reedy to sign the grant by e-signature. Commissioner Gillaspay seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Steve Redicker then presented the Jackson County Juvenile Detention Center Report for April 2017.

Plan Commissioner Conner Barnette, then came before Commissioners to discuss the following:

- he feels the 2 mile fringe with Seymour City needs to be addressed.
- A letter of appeal was sent in regards to the Highway 135 project. This project reroutes the portion of road connecting to highway 50. Barnette stated that this is a flood area, and the project proposal was replacing a current 200ft opening with a 6x10 box culvert, which would result in even more flooding. Barnette stated the appeal was filed on May 12, 2017.

Highway Supervisor, Jerry Ault then appeared before Commissioners to discuss the following:

- All bad pipes on the Community Crossing, Contract Paving and Chip/Seal program have been replaced and O'Mara is set to start paving June 1.
- Shieldstown Covered Bridge – the project is moving forward. Timbers are in the county's possession and re-orders of timbers that failed have been placed by Duncan Robertson.
- Waiting on permits from the Department of Agriculture in regards to the river erosion in Vallonia.
- The updated 2017 Paser rating has began.
- County mowing began on May 15, 2017.
- Currently working on sealing cracks on roads that will be getting a chip/seal this year.
- Work will begin on Bridge #183 later this summer.

After discussion, Attorney Bevers was advised to draft an ordinance regarding the marking of Utilities by Utility companies.

Human Resource Director, Jeff Hubbard stated that the owners of 'old Banner building' would be willing to sell at appraised value plus approximately \$1,000. Commissioners advised Hubbard to get a letter stating the exact amount.

Auditor Kathy Hohenstreiter stated that the 2017 Tax Sale will be held on October 27, 2017 at 10am.

Attorney Bevers stated that on Monday, May 22, 2017 signing of certain documents regarding the Judicial Center will take place at her office. These documents will need signed by the President of the Board of Commissioners. This is in preparation for the closing to be held on Tuesday May 23, 2017.

Resolution 2017- #4, Commissioner Bill #4 was then presented for approval. This resolution allows for the sell of parcel numbers: 36-54-14-101-053.000-002, 36-54-14-101-054.000-002 & 36-54-14-108-010.000-002 to the Jackson County Building Corporation and allows Commissioner Reedy to execute any and all documents necessary to facilitate the transaction. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Emergency Management Director, Duane Davis then addressed Commissioners regarding a Federal Grant for the Hoosier Hills Boyscout Camp. The camp plans to add a new meeting/dining hall with a lower portion to be utilized as a safe room, in the event of bad weather or other threats. The camp needs a local sponsor since it is a 501C3. Davis requested that Jackson County serve as that sponsor and therefore act as a passthrough for the Federal Grant money if the camp receives the grant. Commissioner Gillaspay made a motion to approve. Commissioner Markel seconded. Three (3) yes votes, motion carried.

Sheriff Carothers then stated that he is yet to receive a copy of the HFI contract that he requested, regarding the HVAC at the department.

Commissioners recessed until the next regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 9:00AM.

Matt Reedy

Drew Markel

Bob Gillaspay

Kathy Hohenstreiter - attest