
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
April 3, 2007

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on April 3, 2007, at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Member present:

N. Sherrell Marginet, Pres. Don Whitehead, V. P.
Bob Townsend Attorney Jerry Stilwell

Members absent:

The meeting was called to order with all present standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting, March 20, 2007, with a request for clarification on two motions, concerning payments to Architecture Plus and Architura to include that these are to be paid from the EDIT Fund, were approved with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Claims: The following claims were submitted for approval: Utilities, \$12,565.30; Highway, \$305,648.43; Sheriff, \$102,579.75; General \$278,449.37; Payroll, \$286,314.39. They were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Dept. Reports: Safety: Ken Grueble gave the monthly report.

Veterans Service: Barbara Schenks distributed and gave her monthly report.

Weights & Measures: Gary Dawson gave his monthly report.

EMA: Terry Hedges gave his activity report and announced that there would be a meeting to read and discuss the mitigation disaster preparedness plan on Thursday, April 12, 2007, at 11:00 at Dick Clark's Family Restaurant.

Health: Kanda Walden thanked the Commissioners for having the north entrance to the South Annex repaved.

Sheriff: Allen Harmon received a request from Toyota to close Tulip Tree Drive on May 5, 2007, from 8 AM to 12:30 PM for the Annual Spring Run. This was granted by a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0. He reported that the building project is progressing on according to the time table and is close to being tied in to the present facility. The readdressing for Princeton will be finished soon with the exception of a few problem areas and then the Oakland City Area will be started.

EMS: Dan Alvey said he would have the monthly report for March at the next meeting.

Highway: Jerry Heldt handed out the monthly work reports. He also reported that due to the major damage done by the weather this past winter that the stone and gravel was going fast and possibly will have a shortage; paving projects should be started this week weather permitting. He stated that the department has been helping the coal mine operators get the roads back into shape. The department is being reimbursed by the Coal Companies for this work, labor, equipment use and materials.

Highway Fuel Bids: Bids were only received from one company, Gibson County CO-OP. All bids are in order and are good for the next three months: per gallon,

Unleaded-regular gasoline-octane 87 or more--	\$2.3202
Unleaded-regular gasoline-octane 89 or more--	\$2.3662
Fuel Oil #1	\$2.5655
Off-road diesel, premium	\$2.4060
Premium road diesel	\$2.5276

The bids were accepted with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Agreement: A request from Koberstein Trucking for an agreement to use the Courthouse for a communications antenna was resented to the Board. Jerry Stilwell, County Attorney, has studied the agreement and said that it was okay.

Resolution-TIF: There was discussion by the Board and County Attorney Jerry Stilwell concerning the refunding of the Tax Increment Financing Bonds previously issued by the County on Matters concerning TMMI. Attorney Stilwell indicated that if the bonds were reissued the current interest rates of 7.12% and 6.5% on approximately \$45 million could be reissued as tax exempt bonds at the rate of 4.5% with an approximate savings to the County of \$9.2 million over the life of the bond. Upon motion by Don Whitehead and seconded by Bob Townsend the Commissioners unanimously adapted Resolution 2007-1 authorizing the refunding and issuance of Tax Increment Financing Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$50 million.

CSX: CSX petitioned to close the railroad crossing on CR 150N, known as Fair's Lane, and construct a road with an entrance off of CR 100, Lyle Station Road, to the CR 150. CSX and Gibson County Coal Company have worked out an agreement to cross this property with the road. Jerry Heldt, Hwy. Superintendent, has spoken with them about the agreement and the road. After further discussion a motion to approve this arrangement was made by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Temporary Highway Easement: Gibson County Commissioners granted to the Department of Transportation of the State of Indiana a temporary highway easement grant and one warranty deed conveying certain rights, title and or interest in real estate identified as Parcel 7 on Highway Project #STP-018-1(007); Code 4347. This was done with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

County Records: There was discussion about the need to duplicate and preserve in a safe manor county records in the offices in the Courthouse. It was decided that Commissioner Townsend would be the coordinator of this project.

Old Business: Michael Stevenson, County Surveyor, told the Board that the GIS information was now on line and available to the public.

Tom White presented more petitions against the closing of CR 550 S and petitions requesting an increase in the fine for the railroad blocking an intersection for to long.

Extension Office: Cathy Boerste presented the annual contract with Purdue for the Presidents signature. She told the Board that Purdue was also allowing them to have a summer student intern.

Having no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

N. Sherrell Marginet, Pres.

Don Whitehead, VP

Bob Townsend

Attested: _____
Mary B. Key, Auditor