
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
May 1, 2012

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on May 1, 2012, at 8:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members Present: Gerald Bledsoe, President, Alan Douglas, VP, Bob Townsend, Commissioner, Kay Vore, Administrative Assistant, Jim McDonald, County Attorney and C.T. Montgomery, County Auditor.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was recited and led by Gerald Bledsoe.

Minutes: The minutes from April 17, 2012 were read and approved through a motion by Alan Douglas and seconded by Bob Townsend. Motion passed 3-0.

Claims:

County General	\$148,154.52
Courts	\$ 5,053.47
Highway	\$327,022.84
Sheriff	\$ 67,991.48
Payroll (4-20-2012)	\$ 400.00
Payroll (5-4-2012)	\$281,233.79

Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the claims and was seconded by Alan Douglas. Motion passed 3-0.

Department Reports:

Veteran Affairs Barbara Schenks gave her monthly report.

EMS Director Dan Alvey asked commissioners to approve a proclamation for Emergency Medical Service Personnel Week on May 20-26, 2012. Gerald Bledsoe made a motion to approve the proclamation and was seconded by Alan Douglas. Motion passed 3-0.

EMA did not give a report but Gerald Bledsoe issued a statement and made a recommendation that no open burning take place because of the dry conditions.

Safety Director Andy Schafer reported that the county surplus equipment auction netted \$3,000.00. He also reported that the painting project in the courthouse is progressing.

Highway Superintendent Jerry Heldt gave his monthly report.

Animal Services sent in a report and is available from Kay Vore.

Old Business:

United Consulting gave a report on Bridge #17 and told commissioners that the bridge should be done in a month to month-and-a-half.

Gerald Bledsoe made a motion to approve the SRI Homestead Deduction Program and make it effective after December 31, 2012. Alan Douglas seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

County Attorney Jim McDonald presented Resolution 2012-3 to purchase real estate to commissioners:

RESOLUTION 2012-3

RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE REAL ESTATE

WHEREAS, UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH are the owners of certain real estate as more fully described as follows:

Part of Old Plan 53/54 and part of Old Plan 54, located in Gibson County, Indiana.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Gibson County, Indiana are desirous of purchasing said real estate for the sum of One Hundred and Forty-five Thousand (\$145,000.00) Dollars.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA, as follows:

1. The real estate is located at the corner of Emerson Street and North Main and Emerson and North Prince, Princeton, Indiana, to be purchased by the Board of County Commissioners for the sum of One Hundred and Forty-five Thousand Dollars (\$145,000.00)
2. Said transfer to be made to the Board of Commissioners of Gibson County, Indiana by a Warranty Deed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution has been adopted this 1st day of May, 2012.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF GIBSON COUNTY, INDIANA

Gerald A Bledsoe
GERALD BLEDSOE, PRESIDENT

Bob Townsend
BOB TOWNSEND

Alan Douglas
ALAN DOUGLAS

ATTEST: (SEAL)

C.T. Montgomery
C.T. MONTGOMERY, AUDITOR

Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Alan Douglas. Motion passed 3-0.

New Business:

Gibson County Coal, LLC requested a temporary closing of CR700W, which is on their property, and re-route it east of its present location. They will build the new route according to the county's required standards. Open hearings will be held at the next commissioners' meeting on May 16, 2012 at 6:30 PM.

County Auditor C.T. Montgomery asked commissioners to sign the annual report to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction concerning the Congressional Township Fund balance. The balance is \$32,132.59.

Superior Court asked commissioners for a medical leave for an employee. Alan Douglas made a motion to approve the request and Bob Townsend seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. Sheriff George Ballard asked commissioners to approve a proclamation for May 13-19, 2012, observing the week as Police Week and to observe May 15th as Peace Officers' Memorial Day.

Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the proclamation. Alan Douglas seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

County Surveyor Michael Stevenson asked commissioners to approve the annual Regulated Drainage Ditch Certification of 346.24 miles. Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the certification and was seconded by Alan Douglas. Motion passed 3-0.

Mike McConnell, speaking for landowner Ralph Buck, asked the commissioners to vacate the portion of CR50S from the intersection CR50S and CR950E east to the I69 right of way. McConnell explained INDOT was planning to place a cul-de-sac where the road ends due to the construction of I69. Since there are no houses on the road and Buck owns on both sides of CR50S the road benefits no one. McConnell said vacating the road would prevent the road from becoming a dumping ground. Jim McDonald agreed to start the process to vacate the road.

Gibson County Coal, LLC, asked commissioners to re-sign the letter to INDOT requesting the change in CR 350 S on Indiana Highway 65. Alan Douglas made a motion to approve the request and Bob Townsend seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Alan Douglas made a motion to adjourn and Bob Townsend seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Gerald A Bledsoe
Gerald Bledsoe, President

Alan Douglas
Alan Douglas, VP

Bob Townsend
Bob Townsend, Commissioner

C.T. Montgomery
ATTEST: C.T. Montgomery, Auditor