
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
October 6th, 2015

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on October 6th, 2015 at 8:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members Present: Included President Stephen E. Bottoms, Vice-President Gerald Bledsoe, Commissioner Alan Douglas, Administrative Assistant Kay Vore, County Attorney James McDonald III, and County Auditor Sherri Smith.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and Welcome were recited and led by President Bottoms.

Minutes: The minutes from Regular Session dated September 15th, 2015 and the Special Session dated October 2nd, 2015 were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Douglas and seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Claims:

- County General - \$1,483,683.40
- Courts - \$16,446.55
- Highway - \$216,280.62
- Sheriff - \$12,561.18
- ACH - \$38,867.48
- CAW-1 - \$3,304.81
- CAW-2 - \$8,597.47
- CAW-3 - \$2,486.58
- CAW-4 - \$8,848.69
- CAW-5 - \$99.68
- CAW-6 - \$5,037.52
- Non-Union Insurance Claims - \$57,110.90
- Payroll Deductions for 10/02/15 Payroll - \$140,240.14
- Non-Union, Union, Unemployment Insurance - \$129,535.38
- Payroll - \$288,555.01 for October 2nd, 2015

Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve the claims and was seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

President Bottoms asked for a moment of silence for former Sheriff Roger Emmert and the victims of the horrific automobile accident that happened on September 24th, 2015, on Interstate 69 in Gibson County.

Special Thanks to all the Departments that worked the accident September 24th, 2015.

President Bottoms asked EMS Director Jim Allen to name everyone that worked at the accident that occurred on September 24, 2015 on Interstate 69 in Gibson County, so that they could be properly thanked for all of their help.

Department Reports:

Veterans Service Officer Jerry Wright presented the monthly report. He stated that on October 14, 2015 at 11:00 AM, there will be a ceremony dedicating the new bridge on Coal Mine Road as the Bridge of Honor. A monument will be placed to honor our Veterans. President Bottoms stated that Commissioner Bledsoe had spent a lot of time and effort to make this happen.

Weights & Measures Inspector Gary Dawson presented the monthly report. There were no major problems to report.

Highway Superintendent Chuck Lewis stated that the chipping and sealing projects will be finished this week. When completed, just over 105 total miles will have been completed at a cost of just slightly over \$1,000,000. They now are cleaning ditches, patching missed potholes, and other items, getting ready for winter. Commissioner Douglas asked about the millings being done by the coal mine in the eastern part of the county. President Bottoms stated that he has received positive phone calls about the work that has been done.

County Engineer John Umpleby stated that all paving and striping has been completed and Bridge 341 on Trippett Road south of Hazleton will be open Thursday.

EMA Director Terry Hedges gave his praise to EMS Director Jim Allen for the way he took charge at the accident on September 24th. A new Hazard Mitigation 5 year Plan for the County has been approved by FEMA. It will be sent out to the jurisdictions of the County. After it is returned, it will be brought back to the Commissioners for approval.

Flood Plain Administrator Stephanie McKinney presented her monthly report. She stated that Gibson County was recognized at the Indiana Association of Flood Plain and Storm Water Management Conference. Gibson County was nominated as one of three counties in the state for excellent strides in Flood Plain Management. She and DNR thanked the Gibson County Commissioners for their full support in helping Gibson County become compliant in the Flood Plain Program. Ms. McKinney stated that DNR thought that Gibson County would never be represented. They were very pleased. President Bottoms stated that they appreciated the recognition and thanked Stephanie for the hard work to bring Gibson County up to standard in the Flood Plain Program.

EMS Director Jim Allen presented the monthly report. County Attorney Jim McDonald has the proposals for changes in fees being charged by EMS. The Commissioners will review these at a later date. The first remount unit being paid for with TIF funds is almost done. Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the write offs for the EMS Department in the amount of \$125,404, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Tim Bottoms presented the monthly reports. Commissioner Bledsoe thanked Sheriff Bottoms and Deputy Blaize for the work done by Work Release inmates on a ditch in Fort Branch. Sheriff Bottoms stated that two new vehicles purchased with TIF funds have been delivered. Commissioner Douglas asked Sheriff Bottoms if the Work Release inmates were still doing work at any local cemeteries. Commissioner Bottoms thanked Sheriff Bottoms and Deputy Blaize for the help in moving records for the Clerk's Office into the Main Street Annex.

Animal Services – A report for the Animal Services is on file in Administrative Assistant Kay Vore's Office.

Clerk's & Treasurer's Monthly Report – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve the Clerk's monthly report and the Treasurer's monthly report, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Old Business:

- County Highway Truck Bid Award – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Lewis to go with the bid for a new dump truck with a Freightliner chassis and an Elpers bed from Evansville Truck Center at \$125,404 and to forward this to the Gibson County Redevelopment Commission, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Blight Elimination Program Bid Opening – County Attorney James McDonald opened bids for the Blight Elimination Program. There were six bids: Parker Excavating LLC @ \$89,890 with addendum acknowledged; Jeff Guisewite @ \$148,650 with addendum acknowledged; Naas LLC @ \$81,723 with addendum acknowledged; Kerry Wilhite Excavating Inc. @ \$99,195 with addendum acknowledged; Kern's Excavating LLC @ \$95,900 with addendum acknowledged; and RCRA Inc. dba Earth Services @ \$91,500 with addendum acknowledged. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to take the bids under advisement until the October 20th, 2015 meeting at 6:30 PM, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, Motion carried 3-0.
- RFPs Information Systems Support Service – An appointed technical committee and the Commissioners have spent many hours reviewing the needs of the County for IT support. The Information Systems Support Services Request for Proposal Review Committee has completed examination of the vendor responses. The Commissioners have looked at the monetary responses. Based on the information provided by each of the vendors, the Request for Proposal Review Committee recommends Parrish Consulting Services Inc. and Automated Office Solutions as the two vendors whose responses most closely matched the defined County Information Systems Support Services requirement. However the request for Proposal Review Committee has some remaining questions of both of these vendors. They believe that the County should pursue contract negotiations and resolve these outstanding concerns during the pending negotiations. Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the recommendation of the Review Committee to seek Parish Consultants and Automated Office Solutions to get answers to remaining

questions and to move forward with negotiations, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

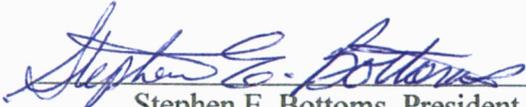
- RFPs Worker's Compensation – County Attorney James McDonald opened the bid for RFP's Workers' Compensation Insurance. There was only one bid. It was from Eastern Alliance Insurance Group, our current vendor at \$99,500. Commissioner Douglas made a motion to accept the bid from Eastern Alliance Insurance Group represented by Old National Bank effective November 1, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- EMS New Ambulance Proposals – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to return an unopened bid for a new ambulance back to the vendor, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- County Attorney James McDonald opened the bids for ambulance remounts. There were three bids: Heartland Wheels Inc. at \$72,289 for one remount; Donnelly Safety at \$149,566 for two remounts; and Fire Service Inc. at \$66,350 for one remount. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to take the bids under advisement until the next meeting, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

- Major Medical Leave within Sheriff Department & Community Corrections – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve a major medical leave for the Sheriff's Department and a major medical leave for Community Corrections, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Resolution 2015 – Solid Waste Management Director – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve Resolution 2015 that will continue the County Health Insurance coverage for the Gibson County Solid Waste Director, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Peabody Coal Company representative Dick Reisinger spoke to the Commissioners about road work in the Eastern part of the County. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to table an agreement with Peabody Coal until the next meeting, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Ordinance 2015-4 Capital Assets Ordinance – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve an Amendment to Ordinance 2015-4 to change Gibson County's fixed asset amount from \$2,000 to \$5,000, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Ben Dye with the Health Department thanked the Commissioners for providing flu shots to the county employees.

With no further business, Commissioner Douglas adjourned the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Minutes from the 10/06/15 Meeting



Stephen E. Bottoms, President



Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President



Alan Douglas, Commissioner

ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor