
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
November 3, 2009

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on November 3, 2009, at 8:30 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members present:

Bob Townsend, Pres.
Don Whitehead

Gerald Bledsoe, VP
Attorney James McDonald

Members absent:

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

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting of October 20, 2009, were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.

Approval of Claims: The following claims were submitted for approval: County General, \$526,239.86; Courts, \$2086.86; Highway, \$49,784.66; Sheriff, \$15,674.69. The claims were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.

Department Reports: Weights & Measures: Gary Dawson gave the monthly report.

EMS: Dan Alvey distributed the monthly report for October except the write offs have not yet been completed. They should be available in time for the next meeting.

Sheriff: Allen Harmon reported on the jail population and that work release is still down because jobs are not available at this time. He requested two six weeks medical leave. These were allowed with a motion by Bledsoe seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0. He reported that work continues on replacement of the jail controls and is on schedule for completion.

Highway: Jerry Heldt distributed the monthly work and financial reports and stated that the chip and seal will be completed this week.

Health: Kanda Walden reported that they are receiving vaccine every week and will be holding clinics upon receipt of the vaccine.

Commissioners Old Business: Open Bids for Two Brush Cutters & Tractors: Attorney McDonald opened the bids: Wayne Supply, one (1) Challenger tractor \$87,892.32; two (2) Challenger with Alamo brush cutter \$93,916.00 each; Southeastern Equipment, two (2) John Deere tractors with Alamo brush cutters total cost \$213,950.00. McDonald recommended the bids be taken under advisement for study and bring back to the next meeting. This was agreed to by consent.

Bids for Construction Package on Bridge 137: Attorney McDonald opened and read bids: CLR Inc., bid #1 - \$223,520.00, #2 - \$259,900.00, #3 - \$269,450.00, #4 - \$279,700.00; Gohmann Asphalt, \$509,950.00; D.K. Parker, base bid - \$249,946.00, #1 - (\$8,843.00), #2 - (\$3,500.00), #3 - (\$1,600.00), #4 - (\$4,500.00), #5 - add \$14,245.00. The bids were taken under advisement for study until the next meeting.

Ordinance No. 2009-5, An Order Establishing an annual sex or violent offender registration fee, a sex or violent offender address change fee and establishing the Gibson County sex or violent offender administration fund: Having met all reading requirements the ordinance was approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.

Steve Bottoms: As a concerned citizen Mr. Bottoms asked permission to have some concerns addressed. He questioned about hiring an engineer not a company, furnishing an office and paying the liability insurance. Townsend stated the engineer is the only employee of the firm and this matter had been discussed with the Council. Bottoms also asked about the legal fees being spent with the new consulting firms. Townsend explained that they are only paid if referenced to on a matter, no retainer fees are paid.

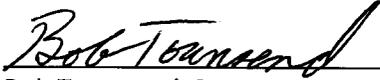
New Business: Advertise for Maintenance/Safety Director: A motion to advertise for applications for this position was made by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.

Whitehead stated that he was not informed of the combination of the two positions into one. It was discussed at an earlier meeting. McDonald stated that this position has been included in the 2010 budget.

Workman Comp Renewal: A representative of Old National Insurance presented renewal premium price of \$77,709 which is lower than last year's cost of \$79,730. A motion to accept this renewal was made by Bledsoe seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Approval of Exceptions for I-69: Townsend stated that this is a change from cul-de-sacs to connector roads for CR 825S to CR 600E and CR 600S to CR 800E. A motion to approve the exceptions was made by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.

Request to Extend Vacation Days: Kanda Walden asked to extend vacation days for 2009 into 2010 for several of her employees which are not going to get their days in due to the H1N1 shot clinics being held at the time vacations were scheduled. It was decided that this would need to be checked on to see if it is allowable. A motion to table this item was made by Bledsoe seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0. Having no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Whitehead seconded by Bledsoe and passed 3-0.



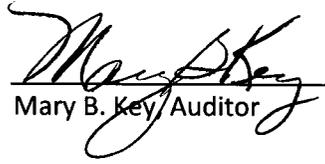
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Gerald Bledsoe, VP



Don Whitehead

Attested: 

Mary B. Key, Auditor