
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
November 4th, 2015

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on November 4th, 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 October 20th, 2015 meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Bledsoe, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Claims:

- County General - \$155,059.61
- Courts - \$18,391.74
- Highway - \$114,609.91
- Sheriff - \$10,558.05
- ACH - \$17,474.47
- CAW-1 - \$11,566.87
- Non Union Insurance Claims - \$79,744.09
- Blight Program - \$10,356.25
- Non Union Insurance Claims - \$23,770.52
- Payroll for October 30th - \$283,649.86
- Payroll Deductions - \$136,680.20

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

Department Reports:

Veterans Service Officer Jerry Wright presented the monthly report.

Weights and Measures Inspector Gary Dawson presented the monthly report.

Highway Superintendent Chuck Lewis reported that one Highway employee has retired. He has begun the replacement process. The employees are doing ditch work and replacing pipes, getting ready for winter. There is plenty of salt on hand and that can be ordered.

County Engineer John Umpleby stated that the bridge on River Road in Patoka should be done by the end of the year.

Health Administrator Kelly Kelley stated that October is a designated training month for Health Departments in Indiana. She and Diane Hornby attended classes and received certification on lactation counseling due to Gibson County having a higher fetal infant mortality rate than most counties. Many county employees received their flu shots. Flu shots and other vaccines are still being given at the health department upon request.

EMA Director Terry Hedges presented an awards letter stating that Gibson County will receive a grant of \$20,000 to purchase a portable generator. It will probably be early 2016 before the money is received. He informed the Commissioners that INDOT is holding an informational meeting on November 5 concerning winter operations. There is a potential for severe weather Thursday night. We are almost at the 10 year anniversary of the tornado that hit Newburgh.

EMS Director Jim Allen presented the monthly report. Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve write offs for EMS in the amount of \$77,732.06, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Tim Bottoms presented the monthly reports.

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

Clerk's September 2015 Report – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the Clerk's monthly report, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Treasurer's September 2015 Report was not ready at the time of the meeting.

Old Business:

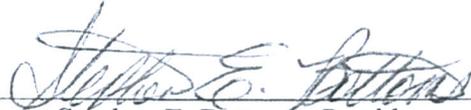
- Christmas Light Committee – Commissioner Douglas informed everyone that there is a Christmas Light Committee that will be looking into ideas to decorate around the Courthouse Square for Christmas. Commissioners Bledsoe and Bottoms thanked Commissioner Douglas for his time on this project.

New Business:

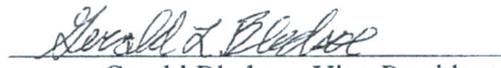
- MOU from State of Indiana due to Unofficial Detour – Commissioner Bledsoe informed everyone that when the State did repair on US 41 from 3.19 mi N of SR 57 to SR 168 in Gibson County, they used a county road as a detour without giving notice to the County. Commissioner Bledsoe asked the state for money to repair the road used as the detour. INDOT has agreed to reimburse up to \$10,000.
- On behalf of the Veterans of the American Legions and the VFWs in Gibson County, Veterans Service Officer Jerry Wright thanked the Commissioners for the Veterans Memorial on Bridge 235 on Coal Mine Road near Ft Branch.

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

Minutes from the November 4th, 2015 Meeting.



Stephen E. Bottoms, President



Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President



Alan Douglas, Commissioner



ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor