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Gibson County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Session  
December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015

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The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Douglas and seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

**Claims:**

County General - \$77,304.05  
Courts - \$16,055.74  
Highway - \$41,882.54  
Sheriff - \$17,413.09  
ACH - \$16,068.80  
CAW-1 - \$9,354.46  
Election Pay for Non-Employees - \$8,442.96  
Election Pay for County Employees - \$9,640.00  
Payroll - 11/27/15 - \$278,885.74  
Non-Union Medical Claims - \$130,096.62  
Payroll Deductions - \$134,698.21

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the claims and was seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. 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 presented the monthly report. He is looking at possibly buying some new equipment before the end of the year.

Chuck Lewis presented the County Engineer report in his absence. The guardrail project near Owensville is completed. Mr. Umpleby has had a meeting with the contractor concerning the drainage issue at Tri State Speedway intersection. The Patoka River Road project should be started next week.

EMA Comprehensive Management Plans – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve an updated Resolution of the Gibson County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve a Resolution of the Gibson County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve a Resolution of the LEPC Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Plan, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

EMS Director Allen made a request to replace the part time clerk – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to replace the part time clerk in the EMS Department, with County Council approval, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0. EMS Director Jim Allen stated that the second ambulance unit is in Indianapolis for remount.

Sheriff Tim Bottoms gave an update on the status of the new and used vehicles of the Sheriff's Department.

County Extension Office Agent Hans Schmitz stated that they are working on 4H enrollment.

Parks Board – Hans Schmitz stated that the Parks Board will hold a public meeting on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Francisco Lions Club. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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

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

### **Old Business:**

- Christmas Light Committee – Commissioner Douglas stated that there are still a few more Christmas silhouettes to be picked up on Friday. He stated that he is getting several positive comments about the decorations.
- County Highway 2016 Bid Openings – County Attorney Jim McDonald opened the following fuel bids for the first half of 2016: Fuel - SynEnergy Partners LLC – 87 Octane \$1.9060 and 89 Octane \$2.0860, Diesel – On Road \$1.8560 and Off Road \$1.6960; Wabash Valley – 87 Octane \$1.749 and 89 Octane \$1.9414, Diesel – On Road 1.803 and Off Road \$1.647, No.1 Fuel Oil \$2.097.

Attorney McDonald also opened the following bids for supplies for Highway and Bridges for the year 2016: Mulzer Crushed Stone Inc., Rogers Group Inc., Asphalt Materials Inc., CPI Bridge, and Civil Con. Commissioner Douglas recommended the bids be taken under advisement. This portion of the meeting will be recessed to the end of the meeting, in order for the Highway Superintendent to review the bids. The Commissioners stated that other County Departments will be using some of these supplies according to the bid price.

### New Business:

- Toyota Traffic Study – Sheriff Tim Bottoms presented the report on the Toyota traffic study. Sheriff Bottoms asked that the recommendations of the Sheriff’s Department be given to the County Engineer and Highway Superintendent for further review.
  - Appointment Princeton Public Library – An appointment for the Princeton Public Library will be named at a future Commissioners meeting.
  - Proclamation Indiana Bicentennial Flag – County Attorney Jim McDonald read the Proclamation to mark December 11, 2015 as the 199<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the day President James Madison signed the act admitting Indiana as the 19<sup>th</sup> state of the Union. This was signed by Commissioner President Stephen E. Bottoms to declare December 11, 2015 as **Indiana Statehood Day and the Official Kickoff of the Bicentennial**. At 11:00 AM on December 11, 2015 the Bicentennial Flag will be raised on the southeast corner of the Courthouse and will waive for one year, to mark the Bicentennial – the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the State of Indiana.
  - County resident Mike Montgomery voiced his concerns about the amount of noise coming from the Gibson County Coal Mine South. Commissioner Bledsoe stated that they are under the legal limit of decipals. Commissioner Douglas recommended that they contact Alliance Coal and Gibson Coal South to advise them of the concerns of this issue.
  - Workman’s Comp and GAB Letter of Credit – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to authorize Commissioner Bottoms to sign a letter of credit for workman’s comp, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
  - County Highway Superintendent Lewis reviewed the bids and the following were his recommendations – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Lewis to accept bids from both Mulzer Crushed Stone and Rogers Group for gravel and crushed stone for the year 2016, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Lewis to accept the bid from Asphalt Materials for Bituminous Materials for the year 2016, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

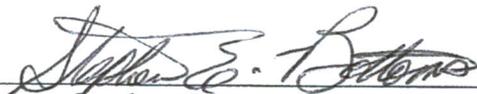
Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Lewis to accept the bid from Wabash Valley Coop for all fuel for the first half of 2016, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

- At the request of one of the bidders, the Commissioners, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Lewis will review the language in future bid statement for supplies for the County.

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the recommendation of Highway Superintendent Lewis to accept bids from both CPI Bridge and Civil Conn for bridge and other supplies for the year 2016, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the Motion carried 3-0.

- Commissioner Bottoms stated that there will be two more Commissioners Meetings this year; December 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30 p.m. and December 29<sup>th</sup> @ 9:30 a.m.
- Commissioner Bledsoe stated that there will be discussion on a sub division ordinance change at the next meeting.

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

  
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Stephen E. Bottoms, President

  
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Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President

  
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Alan Douglas, Commissioner

  
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ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor