
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
February 7, 2012

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on February 7, 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 January 17 and 31 were read and approved through a motion by Alan Douglas and seconded by Bob Townsend. Motion passed 3-0.

Claims:

County General	\$243,726.36
Courts	\$ 9,647.00
Highway	\$143,237.85
Sheriff	\$ 60,345.55
Payroll (1-27-2012)	\$270,336.94
Payroll (2-12-2012)	\$304,831.91

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

Department Reports:

Veterans Affairs Barbara Schenks gave her monthly report.

Weights and Measures Gary Dawson gave his monthly report.

Health Department Jennifer Schatz gave her monthly report.

EMS Director Dan Alvey gave his monthly report and asked for \$59,196.33 in write-offs. Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the request and was seconded by Alan Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.

EMA Director Terry Hedges informed the commissioners that he has prepared a new Gibson County Contingency Plan for review by county attorney Jim McDonald. He has also prepared a Local Emergency Management Plan to be reviewed by county attorney Jim McDonald.

Highway Department Superintendent Jerry Heldt gave his monthly report.

Old Business:

Bob Townsend made a motion to wave the second and third reading of Ordinance 2012-4 GIS Data Fund and approve the ordinance for forwarding to the County Council for final approval.

Alan Douglas seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

County Engineer John Umpleby recommended to commissioners the low bid of \$78,750.00 from D.K Parker Construction, to do the demolition and removal of the building at 117 E. Washington St, in Oakland City. Bob Townsend made a motion to accept the bid and pay the fee from the EDIT fund. Alan Douglas seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Alan Douglas made a motion to accept the Group Health Insurance bid from Brown and Brown representative Dan Davis from Newburgh, Indiana. Bob Townsend seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

County Surveyor Michael Stevenson asked commissioners what he should do on submitting amendments for the Subdivision Control Ordinance. Jim McDonald made the suggestion to accumulate all changes till the end of June, 2012 and submit an amendment with all the changes at that time.

Bob Townsend made a motion to amend Ordinance 2011-6 to include precinct 6 in Patoka TWP in County Council District 1, due to a previous erroneous omission. Alan Douglas seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.

Gerald Bledsoe informed everyone that the commissioners meeting will be going into recess to accommodate the Finance Committee Report.

Treasurer Mary Key read the minutes from the Board of Finance which met on February 1, 2011.

Nominations were opened for reorganization. Bob Townsend made a nomination for Alan Douglas as Chairman and Gerald Bledsoe seconded the nomination. Nominations were closed.

A vote of 3-0 to approve the nomination was cast.

Nominations for Vice-Chairman were opened. Bob Townsend nominated Gerald Bledsoe and Alan Douglas seconded the nomination. Nominations were closed. A vote of 3-0 was cast to approve the nomination. Bob Townsend nominated Mary Key to be Secretary and was seconded by Gerald Bledsoe. Nominations were closed. A vote of 3-0 was cast to approve the nomination.

Mary Key informed the committee that the interest earned for the checking/money market account was \$18,566.86. She also informed the committee that the Treasurer has collected 97.26% of the taxes owed the county, which is well into the top percentile of the State. The two year old warrants were presented to be voided as required by IC 5-11-10.5-2. There were 10 warrants for a total of \$5,779.69. Gerald Bledsoe made a motion to accept the report and void the two year old checks. Bob Townsend seconded and the motion passed 3-0. Alan Douglas asked for Mary Key to provide a copy of the Spring Collections to the committee.

Mary Key informed the committee that she would like to renew the service agreement with the credit card company so that the county residents could pay their taxes with a credit card. The County has had this agreement with the credit card company the past three years. Gerald Bledsoe made a motion to approve the request and was seconded by Bob Townsend. The motion passed 3-0. Having no other business, Bob Townsend made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Gerald Bledsoe. Motion passed 3-0.

Gerald Bledsoe re-opened the commissioners meeting.

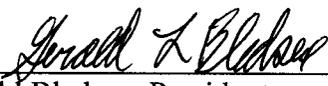
Jennifer Schatz presented the commissioners with a certificate of appointment to the county board of health. The County Board of Health presented Chris Stoffel to serve as a member until December 31, 2015. Bob Townsend made a motion to approve the appointment and Alan Douglas seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Jerry Heldt submitted a request for a major sick leave for the Highway Department. Alan Douglas made a motion to approve the request and was seconded by Bob Townsend. Motion passed 3-0.

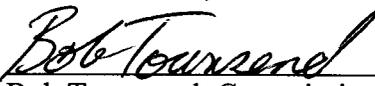
Auditor C.T. Montgomery made another request that the commissioners approve a contract with SRI. SRI can provide over 2,400 parcels that could be claiming double homesteads in Gibson County. SRI can provide the resources to collect the back taxes owed and their only fee would be 25% of the back taxes collected. The law states that no one can claim more than one homestead in Indiana. It is a win-win situation for the county and an increased amount of revenue would be generated for the county's General Fund. Alan Douglas made a motion to delay the contract consideration until this coming June and to place a homestead claim clarification in each tax statement this spring. Bob Townsend seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Gerald Bledsoe asked Mary Key to get a price on adding the flyer to the tax statement.

EMS Director Dan Alvey presented a Medical leave request. Alan Douglas made a motion to approve the medical leave and was seconded by Bob Townsend. The motion passed 3-0.

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

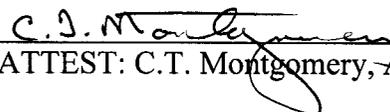


Gerald Bledsoe, President



Bob Townsend, Commissioner

Alan Douglas, VP



ATTEST: C.T. Montgomery, Auditor