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Gibson County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Session  
June 3, 2014

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The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on June 3, 2014, at 8:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

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

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

President Douglas informed the audience that there were two add-ons to the agenda, a road closure and a bridge update.

**Minutes:** The minutes from May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014, meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Bledsoe and seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.

**Claims:**

County General - \$103,897.08  
Courts - \$1,646.28  
Highway - \$124,676.15  
Sheriff - \$36,182.58  
Payroll - \$291,041.37 – May 30, 2014

Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the claims and was seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

**Department Reports:**

- Veterans Service Officer presented his monthly report.
- Highway Superintendent Jerry Heldt presented the monthly report.
- Gibson County Health Administrator Kelly Kelley spoke about an educational event on electronic cigarettes to be held on Thursday June 5, 2014, from 12-1 PM at the Vincennes University Gibson County Campus. She also spoke about a hands only method of CPR. Instruction for this method will be offered at the Health Department. Vaccine requirements have increased for students for the upcoming school year, so the Health Department will be open from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday thru Thursday for the summer to accommodate those that cannot come during the day.
- EMS Director Dan Alvey presented the monthly report for April. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve write offs of \$173,179.47 for the EMS Department, seconded

by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0. Three of four employees are back to work and one ambulance is still not running.

- EMA Director Terry Hedges gave his monthly report. He helped in Warrick County after the high winds.
- Sheriff George Ballard gave a report on the garden at the Jail and the weed eating at some cemeteries.
- Hans Schmitz, Extension Office Coordinator, introduced two new staff members to the Commissioners and the public. They are, Andrea Wilzbacher, Health and Human Science Educator, and Holly Schutter, a Purdue intern. Some issues of flooding in the office were discussed.
- Animal Services - The Commissioners Administrative Assistant has a copy of the Animal Service's report.

### **Old Business:**

- Liability Insurance Proposals - County Attorney Jim McDonald opened the bids for the liability insurance for the County. The first was from Shepard Insurance, the second was from Old National Bank. There was some discussion about adding more earthquake insurance. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to take the bids under advisement, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0. A decision will be made at the June 17<sup>th</sup> evening meeting.

### **New Business:**

- Clerk's Office has made a request for disposal of old voting equipment - Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to let Gibson County Clerk Becky Woodburn recycle or dispose of some old voting equipment, being stored in the Economic Development Building, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Koch Sub-Division Review – Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the Koch subdivision, subject to the road being put in, in desired fashion, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Regulated Drain Certification – Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the Drain Certification presented by County Surveyor Michael Stevenson, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- State Road 168 – Railroad Crossing - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to have County Attorney Jim McDonald send a letter to CSX concerning the condition of the railroad crossing on SR 168, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Certificate of Issuer German American Financial Advisors & Trust Company Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to remove Jonnie Watkins' name and replace it with Kay Vore's name on the Certificate of Issuer from German American on paving projects concerning Gibson County Coal, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. The

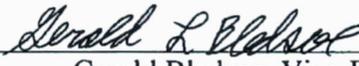
signature will remain until a replacement is hired to replace Ms. Watkins or the funds are depleted, whichever is first. Motion carried 3-0.

- Gibson County Coal – Chris Hopple, General Manager of Gibson County Coal, spoke to the Commissioners concerning the county roads leading to the Portal 2 facility. The roads are 650 W and 200 N. They were repaired in 2007-2008, but are in need of repair again. Mr. Hopple offered the purchase of a bond for \$1,500,000 thru the Redevelopment Commission to be paid out of the Gibson County Coal TIF. Commissioner Douglas made a motion to send the bond request to the Redevelopment Commission, and to expedite the procedure as much as possible, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0. Also, County Attorney Jim McDonald proposed a DECLARATION OF OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENITURES. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve the Declaration, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Executive Sessions Scheduled - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to schedule three executive session meetings, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0. The meetings will be Monday June 9 at 9:00 AM, Monday June 9 at 3:30 PM, and Wednesday June 11 at 2:00 PM.
- County Road Closure - An update was given on Coal Mine Road closure notice given in the paper, stating the road will be done in mid-November. The actual State contract states April 2015 as a completion date.
- Bridge Repairs – An update was given on the Old Owensville Bridge. It is now open to the public. It was delayed because of a curing process.

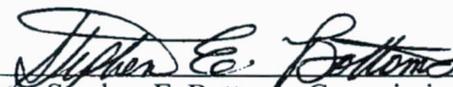
With no further business, Commissioner Bottoms adjourned the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.



Alan Douglas, President



Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President



Stephen E. Bottoms, Commissioner

ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor