
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
June 2nd, 2015

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on June 2nd, 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, County Attorney James McDonald III, and County Auditor Sherri Smith.

Absent: Administrative Assistant Kay Vore.

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

Minutes: The minutes from the May 19th, 2015 Regular Meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Douglas and seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

The minutes from the May 19th, 2015 Special Meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Bledsoe and seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Claims:

- County General - \$169,681.52
- Courts - \$13,142.22
- Highway - \$91,983.28
- Sheriff - \$21,206.11
- ACH - \$3,522.01
- Payroll - \$276,804.24 – May 29th, 2015

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the claims and was 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.

County Highway Supervisor Chuck Lewis stated that some of the Highway employees have started the summer right of way mowing and brush cutting projects. Supervisor Lewis has passed out lists to the township drivers for the annual pavement preservation program. They will try to

do ten miles of roads per township this year. Also, he is finalizing specifications for the replacement of two, ten wheel dump trucks, with attachments. He will bring these to the Commissioners for approval.

County Engineer John Umpleby stated that the repair of Bridge 16 located on CR 800 W near the power plant is on schedule.

County Engineer Umpleby made request to bid repairs for the Bridge on Trippett Road in Hazleton. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to allow the County Engineer to advertise for bids for the bridge on Trippett Road in Hazleton, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

The Northbrook Hills project is finished.

EMS Director Jim Allen presented the monthly report - Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the write offs for the EMS Department in the amount of \$127,248.85, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Sheriff Tim Bottoms presented the monthly reports.

County Extension Agent Hans Schmitz stated that the closer the fair gets the busier it is getting in the office. He introduced Taylor Rexing as the new summer intern. Hans also stated that the new 4H Building at the fairgrounds is scheduled to be opened for the fair.

Animal Services - The monthly report for the Animal Services is on file in the Commissioners Administrative Assistant's office.

Highway Superintendent Chuck Lewis wanted to publicly thank the Ft. Branch Water Department for their help on a storm drain repair on the Haubstadt/Ft. Branch Road.

Old Business:

- Rescind Motion to approve RFP for Ambulance Remount – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to rescind the motion made at the May 19th, 2015 Commissioners meeting to accept the bid from Fire Service Inc. for an ambulance remount for the EMS Department, due to incorrectly sealed bids, and to re-advertise for bids again and specify that they be in an individually sealed envelope, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

- Director Jim Allen discussed advantages of entering into this contract with Air Evac. Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve the Air Evac Contract with the County EMS Department, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

- DPC District 10 – Director Terry Hedges appoints Michael Hopson
Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to appoint Michael Hopson to replace David Washburn on the District Planning Council for the rest of the year 2015, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.
- Peabody Road Crossing Agreement Term Extension – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to honor the previously approved Peabody Road Crossing Agreement Term Extension for 2013-2018, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.
- Surveyor Michael Stevenson – Ditch Certification for 2015 – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the Ditch Certification for 2015 for collection of four dollars per mile of the 342.19 miles of regulated drains in Gibson County, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.
- Major Medical Leave Request from EMS – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve a Major Medical Leave for the EMS Department, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.
- Agent Jacob Bartley with Shepard Insurance Liability Renewal – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to renew the liability insurance for the County with Shepard Insurance for the upcoming year beginning July 1, 2015 at a cost of \$241,471 with exceptions, without bidding it out due to a decrease in premium, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. With no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

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



 Stephen E. Bottoms, President



 Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President



 Alan Douglas, Commissioner



 ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor