
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
December 3, 2013

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on December 3rd, 2013, at 8:00 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

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

Absent: President Gerald Bledsoe

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

Fair Grounds Proposal postponed

The scheduled vote, for the Gibson County Fairground Proposal for TIF money, had to be postponed to the December 26th, 2013 meeting at 6:30pm, due to a conflict of scheduling. Apologies were made for any inconvenience.

Minutes: The minutes from the November 19th, 2013, meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Bottoms and seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0.

Claims:

County General - \$128,746.74
Courts - \$8,399.11
Highway - \$80,011.58
Sheriff - \$30,457.95
Payroll - \$275,628.56

Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the claims and was seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0.

Department Reports:

Veterans Service Officer, Barb Schenks, presented her monthly report to the Commissioners. Vice President Douglas presented Barb Schenks with a plaque for her service, since she will be retiring at the end of the year.

Weights and Measures Inspector, Gary Dawson, presented his monthly report.

Highway Supervisor, Jerry Heldt, presented his monthly report. He stated that everything is ready to go, if the bad weather hits.

Health Administrator, Kelly Kelley, presented her monthly report.

EMA Director, Terry Hedges, stated that the EMA Department is also ready for any inclement weather. He also stated that Gibson County has been awarded a \$15,000 grant for updating the five year old Mitigation Plan.

Sheriff George Ballard stated that starting Sunday, there will be a trailer containing a driving simulator at the Sheriff's Department. Different County Departments will be using this for training in driving in different scenarios, regarding safety.

Hans Schmidt, with the Extension Office, stated that Mary Duke, the Health and Human Science Educator, will retire on December 31st, 2013. A reception will be held for her, in her office, on December 20th, from 1-4pm.

Animal Services Report available with the Administrative Assistant.

A tip of the hat was given to the Buckskin Volunteer Fire Department, for the work done at the oil well fire on Sunday. Also, a thank you was given to all fire departments for their work.

Old Business:

Commissioner Bottoms and Jerry Heldt stated that extensive cleanup work has been done on the County Right of Way on 850S.

Commissioner Bottoms stated that there have been numerous complaints about the detours on 850S and 900S being very rough. Peabody still maintains these roads, and they stated that the matter would be addressed.

New Business:

County Attorney, Jim McDonald, opened bids for 2014, for Fuel, Stone, Sand and Gravel, Bituminous Materials, and Corrugated Metal Pipe and Culverts. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to take all bids, other than Fuel, under advisement, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0. Highway Superintendent, Jerry Heldt, recommended that the Commissioners go with Wabash Valley Service Company for On-Road and Off-Road Diesel and Gasoline Fuel bids. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to accept the bids from Wabash Valley Service Company for all Fuel bids, for January 1, 2014 to June 30, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0.

The following Bids were also awarded: Bituminous Materials awarded to Asphalt Materials, Inc.; Bituminous Cold Mix will be bid per project; Bituminous Hot Mix will be bid per project; Sand and Gravel was awarded to Rogers Group; Stone was awarded to Mulzer Crushed Stone,

K&K, and Corydon Stone & Asphalt; Metal Pipe was awarded to CPI Supply and Guardrail was awarded to James Drew Corporation.

Health Dept. – Agreement for professional Services Bio Terrorism Coordinator
Health Administrator, Kelly Kelley, recommended and requested the Commissioners approve the contract for Professional Services Bio Terrorism Coordinator. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the Contract, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0.

Marietta House addressed the Commissioners concerning the new owner of the old Emge plant. She thinks that some sort of a tax break should be given to him, since he has saved Ft Branch and Gibson County so much money. She was told that the County Council would have to address that situation.

With no further business, Commissioner Bottoms adjourned the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 2-0.



Alan Douglas, Vice-President



Stephen E. Bottoms, Commissioner



ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor