
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
September 2, 2014

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on September 2, 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.

Minutes: The minutes from August 19, 2014, meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Bledsoe and seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.

Claims:

County General - \$114,765.38
Courts - \$1,134.67
Highway - \$93,726.43
Sheriff - \$38,530.34
Payroll – Not available as of Meeting

Commissioner Bottoms 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. They are continuing the patching and sealing in Columbia Township. They will then move to Johnson, Union and Montgomery Townships. The TIF funded paving is progressing along the border between Patoka and Montgomery Townships. Mr. Lewis asked for permission to close Old Hwy 41 between 200 S and 250 W on September 10th from 8:30am to 3pm in order to trim trees. The Sheriff's Department will assist with this. Commissioner Douglas asked for this to be in the paper. Commissioner Bottoms stated that he has had positive feedback on the chipping and sealing. County Highway Engineer John Umpleby stated that the progress on the Coal Mine Road is a little bit behind and this week will probably make it a little worse.

Health Administrator Kelly Kelley presented the monthly report. Ms. Kelley asked the Commissioners for permission to provide the County Employees with the flu shot. Permission was granted. They also will be going to different locations in the County to give flu shots. Commissioner Bottoms stated that he had spoken to the City of Princeton about the sidewalk in front and north of the South Annex.

EMS Director Dan Alvey stated that he would have a report at the next meeting.

Safety had no report.

EMA Director Terry Hedges stated that he has a contract for a vulnerability analysis. It will need to go to Council.

Sheriff had no report.

Extension Office Coordinator Hans Schmitz reported on the 4H exhibits at the Gibson County Fair and the Indiana State Fair.

Animal Services - A copy of the Animal Services monthly report is available in the Commissioners Administrative Assistant Kay Vore's office.

Old Business:

- Sheriff Department – CR 900 S - Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the Sheriff's Department recommendation of a speed limit of 40 mph on CR 900 S, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0. The Highway Department will post this sign.
- Community Corrections – Grant Amendment - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve an amendment to the July 3rd, 2013 Community Corrections Grant of \$13,815.34 and a bonus for the 2014 Grant of \$8,464.00, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Advertise positions at the County Highway - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to advertise three Highway Department positions, vacant due to retirement, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Currently the jobs listed are a welder, a Township truck driver, a maintenance shop person, and a tire repairman. At least one of these will be filled internally. The last day to accept application for these positions will be September 12, 2014 at 4PM. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Douglas announced two Executive Sessions on September 15, 2014 at 9 AM to review applications and September 17, 2014 at 2 PM to conduct interviews. Also, a Special Session will be held on September 18, 2014 at 8 AM to appoint the three positions in the Highway Department.

New Business:

- Sandy Ridge Estates - Anita Waldroup approached the Commissioners with a request for TIF funds to be used for the placement of infrastructure making it feasible to develop Sandy Ridge Estates, located on White Church Road and CR 50S, also known as Binkley Road. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to table this request until the October 7, 2014 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Subdivision Completion Affidavit - Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to accept the recommendation of County Surveyor Michael Stevenson to release the bond to Ralph Koch for a private road, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Gibson County Coal represented by Blake Cutrell - Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to allow Gibson County Coal to bore under CR 850 W, pending the approval of the County Engineer and the Drainage Board, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Certificate of Issuer - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to replace the signature of Kay Vore with that of Juli Ellsworth on the Certificate of Issuer for the Gibson County Coal Project, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Speed Limit Request – CR 825 W - The Commissioners asked the Sheriff’s Department to monitor the speed on CR 825 W and make a recommendation at the next meeting.
- Requests for Proposals for Worker’s Compensation Insurance - Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to advertise for proposals for the Workman’s Compensation Insurance that is due November 1, 2014, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0. The proposals will need to be in by October 6, 2014 at 4PM. They will be opened at the October 7, 2014 meeting and voted on at the October 21, 2014 meeting.
- Jim McDonald discussed Traffic Lights - Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding to allow the traffic signal lights around the square to be replaced, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Coal Mine Road in East Gibson - There is ongoing discussion between the Commissioners and the coal mine concerning the repair of CR 900S.

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

Minutes from 09/02/14 Commissioner's Meeting.

Alan Douglas, President

Gerald Bledsoe, Vice-President

Stephen E. Bottoms, Commissioner

ATTEST: Sherri Smith, Auditor