
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
January 20th, 2015

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met on January 20th, 2015, at 6:30 PM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

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

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

Minutes: The minutes from January 6th, 2015, meeting were read and approved through a motion by Commissioner Douglas and seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Claims:

Utilities - paid 01/08/15 \$6,614.51
County General - \$339,621.68
Courts - \$2,884.48
Highway - \$95,442.37
Sheriff - \$26,148.26
Payroll – Additional payrolls from 01/09/15 for employees in the Clerk’s office, EMS, Tobacco Settlement, and Clerk’s 4D Incentive totaling \$1390.00 and County Jail totaling \$400.00.
Regular Payroll for 01/23/15 totals \$276,652.20

Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the claims, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Department Reports:

No Reports were given.

Old Business:

- Extended Medical Leave – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to approve a six week unpaid medical leave for an EMS employee beginning February 11, 2015, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- Blight Elimination Program - Debbie Bennett-Stearsman and Wiley Ziegler with the Economic Development Coalition spoke to the Commissioners about the next steps needed in the Blight Elimination Program.

Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to appoint Debbie Bennett-Stearnsman and her group as the Administrator of the Blight Program for Gibson County, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

Program Partnership Agreement – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to appoint Commissioner Bottoms as the sign up partner for Gibson County, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0. The program partner agreements are due to the State by January 31, 2015.

Each of the program partners will enter into a demand note, a promissory note, and a mortgage with Indiana Housing Community Development.

There is a list of current program partners with the proposed local match. At this time, there is sufficient dollars to meet the local match without the County incurring any costs.

In the event there is a program partner that drops out, there is a waiver process. Any changes that take place on the properties that are approved tonight will have to come back before the Commission and go through the waiver process and public hearings, because everything is public knowledge.

Beam, Longest, and Neff was hired by the State of Indiana to do the environmental inspection on all homes that are going to be demolished, with the exception of asbestos. The asbestos will have to be done by the contractor that demolishes the home. The cost for each house will be \$250, and will be paid out of Gibson County's allotment.

A separate non-interest bearing checking account will be set up for the grant money to be deposited.

The next step of the program is to send a copy of the December Public Meeting minutes, the sign in sheet, the Program Partnership Agreement, and the ACH deposit form to the State by January 31, 2015.

The Commissioners will need to approve Reviewers, Submitters, and Approvers by the next Commissioner's meeting.

- Redevelopment Commission Appointment – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to appoint George Ballard to the Redevelopment Commission for the year 2015, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- Gibson County Holding Corporation – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to appoint Commissioner Steve Bottoms to the Gibson County Holding Corporation for the year 2015, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.

- Health Department Ordinance Fees – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to table the Health Department Ordinance Fee Amendment to acquire more information about the monies now collected, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

- Right of Entry – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to approve the RIGHT OF ENTRY between the Gibson County Commissioners and Richard and Jay Stevens, for the purchase price of \$4,000, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0. This property is adjacent to the County Landfill and will allow the County to have additional monitoring of our wells.
- Workforce Development – Jim Heck and Angie Sheppard spoke to the Commissioners on behalf of the Workforce Development. Mr. Heck informed the Commissioners that it is time for the Local Elected Officials Agreement to be signed. They will need to appoint either, one of the Commissioners or the Mayor of Princeton to the local Workforce Development Board. This appointment will need to be made before July 1, 2015.

Meeting was Recessed

- Commissioner Douglas made a motion to recess the Commissioners meeting for the County Board of Finance meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Finance Committee Meeting – Finance Board Chairman Commissioner Bledsoe opened the 2015 County Board of Finance meeting.
- Commissioner Douglas made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the 2014 County Board of Finance meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to approve the Minutes of the 2014 Board of Finance meeting, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Douglas made a motion to retain Commissioner Bledsoe as Chairman of the Board, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to appoint Commissioner Douglas as Vice Chairman, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to appoint Treasurer Mary Key as Secretary, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- Treasurer Mary Key reported that the interest made in 2014 was \$14,430.21.
- The banks that the County uses on a daily basis are Fifth Third, Old National, and First Financial. All local banks are contacted for investments.
- There is a list of five checks that need to be voided amounting to \$105.40. Commissioner Bottoms made a motion to allow the five checks to be voided, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- Commissioner Douglas made a motion to adjourn the Finance meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bottoms. Motion carried 3-0.

Resume Commissioners Meeting – President Bottoms resumed the Commissioners meeting.

- Adopt Economic Development Plan EDIT – Commissioner Douglas made a motion to adopt the 2015-2016 Economic Development Income Tax Capital Improvement Plan for Gibson County, seconded by Commissioner Bledsoe. Motion carried 3-0.
- Covered Bridge Certificate – Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to certify the counties two covered bridges, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.
- County resident Dallas Cline from Patoka asked the Commissioners if the County could do some work on Hudson Road. Commissioner Douglas stated that the road is in his district and that he will look into it.

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

Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Special Session
January 26th, 2015

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in Special Session on January 26th, 2015, at 9:30 AM at the North Annex Meeting Room.

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

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

TOPIC: Open Health Insurance Bids

The Barthel Agency – \$248,641.20

NFP Clippinger Group – \$156,635

German American Bank – Bid was withdrawn

Health Smart - \$197,096

MedBen – Mike Ketron – Taken under advisement

Shepherd Jacob Bartley - \$270,473

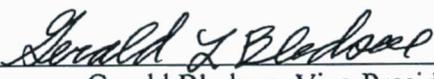
Meritan - \$243,000

Commissioner Bledsoe made a motion to take the bids under advisement, seconded by Commissioner Douglas. Motion carried 3-0.

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



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