
Gibson County Board of Commissioners
Regular Session
February 20, 2007

The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on February 20, 2007, at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members present:

Don Whitehead, VP
Attorney Jerry Stilwell

Bob Townsend

Members absent:

N. Sherrel Marginet, Pres.

The meeting was called to order by all present standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 16, 2007, and February 6, 2007, were approved with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 2-0.

Claims: The following claims were submitted for approval: Utilities, \$33,728.95; Payroll, \$280,996.26. A motion to approve the claims was made by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 2-0.

James Dittoe: Mr. Dittoe, representing Winning Communities company distributed a brochure and information sheet to the Commissioners and presented a short synopsis of what the company does.

Department Reports: Highway: Jerry Heldt thanked the Commissioners and Council for allowing him to advertise for bids on a new excavator.

EMA: Terry Hedges announced the meeting time of 11 AM today of the Local Emergency Management Planning Commission at Dick Clark's restaurant.

EMS: Dan Alvey handed out the monthly report for January and asked for approval of write-offs in the amount of \$30,806.25. A motion to approve the write-offs was made by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 2-0.

CR 50: Arthur Nickels brought a request from residents of CR 50 to have the road paved in the near future. Several members of the neighborhood were present and one also asked that some ditch work be done also. Whitehead said that he and Jerry Heldt would take a look into the situation and make a decision.

Courthouse Restoration Bids: Townsend spoke on the metal and stone work that is needed to restore the Courthouse. This bid is for repair, replacement and painting of the metal work. The low bid was from Empire for \$698,950.00. This bid was accepted with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 2-0.

Old Business: Tom White brought to the Board an additional petition with signatures against the closing of CR 550 S. He also requested that the Commissioners develop a process for closing roads and the discussion of said closing before the vote is taken. Stilwell spoke on this subject stating that the request from the CSX Railroad to close the crossing on said road. He realizes this is virtually the same thing but it does have different ramifications according to the state. It is a delicate situation and has to be handled accordingly. He announced that there would be a public meeting, the date to be announced, before the Commissioners make their final decision on how to deal with this. There was further discussion on the subject.

Having no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 2-0.

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Attested: _____
Mary B. Key, Auditor