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Gibson County Board of Commissioners  
Regular Session  
December 4, 2007

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The Gibson County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on December 4, 2007, at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room.

Members present:

N. Sherrell Marginet, Pres.      Don Whitehead, VP  
Bob Townsend                      Attorney Jerry Stilwell

Members absent:

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

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting of November 20, 2007, were approved with a motion by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Claims: The following claims were submitted for approval: Utilities, \$9402.55; County General, \$202,088.73; Sheriff, \$32,862.66; Highway, \$445,005.83: these were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Department Reports: Veterans Service: Barbara Schenks gave the monthly report.

Weights & Measures: Gary Dawson gave the monthly report.

EMA: Terry Hedges reported that he had attended a FEMA meeting on earthquake preparedness. He spoke on what was discussed and that Gibson County was the center of this because of its location on the New Mandarin Fault. He also presented a Resolution Creating Gibson County Citizen Corps Council and an Ordinance Adopting the Provisions of Indiana Code 10-14-3 Concerning a Gibson County Emergency Management Program to be approved. These were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Safety: Ken Greubel reported that it had been a good year.

Health: Kanda Walden announced that the prescription cards, from NAOC, had been distributed through out the County for residents to pick up. They are located at pharmacies, doctors' offices and various county and municipal offices. She explained that these are available to all county residents at no cost.

EMS: Dan Alvey gave the monthly report for September and asked for the approval of write-offs in the amount of \$28,856.09. The write-offs were approved with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Highway: Jerry Heldt distributed end of year financial report and thanked Terry Hedges, EMA director, for helping him recover \$26,000.00 of FEMA money due from the 2005 flood. He requested a six weeks sick leave for an employee. The leave was approved with a motion by Townsend and seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Road Closure Resolution: Jerry Stilwell said that is was still not complete. He has several drafts and also that it needs to be an ordinance not a resolution. He requested from the Auditor the number for the ordinance so it could be included for the final writing of the document.

Black Beauty Coal Co.: Company representatives asked for the temporary road and intersection closures \*(end of document) They also requested a detour for a haul road and the road closures necessary to do this. There was discussion and questions by Commissioners and the public. After discussion Whitehead made a motion to take this under advisement until the December 27, 2007, meeting.

CR 525 S Relocation: Due to coal mine activity it was recommended by the Highway Dept. that a small section of CR 525S be relocated for the safety of the population. All publications and hearings have been completed. Jerry Heldt, Highway Superintendent, approved the plans and recommended this be accepted. A motion for acceptance of the relocation was made by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Opening of Highway Bids: The bids for Fuel, Stone and Gravel, Asphalt materials, Metal, Motor Grader, etc. was opened by Stilwell. All bid requirements were in order. A motion to table and take all bids under advisement until the December 27, 2007 meeting was made by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

New Business: Stilwell said that he had met with Federal Judge Young about the law suit about the over crowding of the jail has been settled and would be dismissed later this month.

Black Beauty Coal: The Coal Company had asked for the temporary closure of Indian Treaty Road which had been presented at a previous meeting. Townsend asked if they

would agree to the basic agreements within the proposed road closure resolution. A motion by Whitehead to allow the closure was seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0. A member of the public asked about access to the historic Morton Cemetery. The access that is through private property is not accessible due to closure of CR 1100E. There was discussion and Stilwell asked for more information to see if something could be done to gain access.

*Haul road for the expansion of Toyota:* One quote was brought to the Board for the haul road for the new construction, for grading and preparation of the road bed and one quote for stabilization of a new business expansion by Toyota. It was questioned as to why there is only one quote for each. Stilwell said it was up to the Board to get more quotes but need to remember there is a time line that needs to be kept. After discussion it was decided to ask for more bids and due to the time line the meeting would need to reconvene. A motion to reconvene the meeting on Friday, December 7, 2007 at 9 AM in the North Annex Meeting Room was made by Townsend seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

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Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary B. Key, Auditor

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Reconvened Meeting  
December 7, 2007

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The meeting was reconvened with all present standing and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in honor of the anniversary of Pearl Harbor Day.

Members present:

Members absent:

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Southern Crossing Haul Road: The new quotes for the road construction were giving and after discussion Whitehead made a motion to accept the low quote from DK Parker. The motion was seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0. Townsend made a motion to accept the quote from Mt. Carmel Stabilization, the only quote, seconded by Whitehead and passed 3-0.

Fuel Bid: The fuel bid by Superior Ag was accepted with a motion by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

Having no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Whitehead seconded by Townsend and passed 3-0.

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