

FEBRUARY 10, 2014 JOINT SESSION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS & COUNCIL

The Pulaski County Commissioners and Council met in Joint Session on February 10, 2014 in the Commissioners Room at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana, at 6:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. Said meeting was called to order by: Jerry Sullivan, President, and other Council members: Roger Querry, Vice-President, Ronald Powers, Michael D. (Mick) Tiede, Douglas Roth, Thomas J. Roth, Alexsondra Haschel. The Pulaski County Commissioner said meeting called to order by Larry L. Brady, President, and other Commissioners Tracey Shorter Vice-President and Terry L. Young, Commissioner and Shelia K. Garling, Auditor.

Also present were: Jeremiah Kopka, Sheriff Patrick, Jeff Richwine, Brian Young, Daniel Frain, Jackie Frain, and

IN RE: AMBULANCE IN A FIRE

Comes now, Nikki Lowry, EMS Director to update the Commissioners and Council on the ambulance that was at Wagner's and was involved in the fire that was there. The insurance company is considering making the ambulance a

IN RE: ANNEX BUILDING CLOSED

Comes now, Larry L. Brady, Commissioners, to discuss the Annex building on Friday being shut down, because of a faulty regulator, which would not heat the building.

We have our own emergency heating systems now, if we need them. The three new ones for the Justice Center will be here; they will use a crane to place them on the roof.

In December I brought up hiring an IT & HR positions. We spend a lot of money on outside people.

Tracey Shorter brought up Tina Kasten, she came to you in December and ask for a raise in pay. Michael D. (Mick) Tiede brought up the increase in 2011 was -0- & employee paid there 3% PERF. In 2012 we received \$700.00 increase & the County paid all of (8.%+3%) PERF. IN 2013 we received a \$600.00 increase & County paid all (9.5%+3.0% PERF and 2014 no increase, but county paid all (11.0% + 3%) PERF. When we change wages we need to do it at budget time not just willy nilly.

Larry L. Brady, Ed Clark talked with Braun Corporation, they will do \$75.00 a load of plastic. They project the volume to increase. We will have a contract with Braun Corporation. Separating the plastic out, we are doing quite well.

The Town of Winamac is contracting out there services. Another community brought in recyclables, it was all together. We are not ready to separate these items. There is a piece of equipment that will separate alum and tin.

Larry had an opportunity to go with Mark Fox, Highway and plow out County Home and Recycling. There is available a truck with a plow for Ed to get and be able to use for plowing out the County Home & Recycling. Jerry Sullivan commented instead of giving the truck with the plow too Ed, what about giving it for Jeff Johnston (Maintenance).

Larry L. Brady wanted to commend the County Highway Department and anyone involved during this bad weather. Complaints did come in: snow in my drive ways, covering my mail box, dig up dirt (sod). So how do we know what time to have the highway out, we only want them to work 12 hours so they get the proper rest, and safety issues. We had 4 volunteers that sat at the Francesville Fire Department and Pulaski Memorial Hospital during the worst weather so if there was an emergency they could get to where they needed to go. We lost a truck and our replacing a truck.

IN RE: COUNTY HOME

Discuss the county home, cameras. The camera's need to be monitored, if they are not it could cause us to open more liability to the County. We need to talk with our Attorney regarding this issue. The doors are locked at 8:00 pm in the evening at the county home. Have you checked with other counties? There are only seven (7) left in the whole state. Let's table the cameras till we get more information from Kevin Tankersley, County Attorney. Brian Young, made comment that we have an evening caretaker that could monitor the cameras.

Reference to comp time earned at the County Highway, how to get there hours down. Change the wording on the policy book for a date, when they have to get it down. Tracey Shorter, at the last Commissioners meeting, stated that the comp time was to be paid as it was accrued. So why is there an issue with the comp time (overtime) now.

IN RE: WORKING A HOLIDAY

A question asked if employees could work the holiday which pays overtime because of the work load and them being off for snow days who makes that decision? The answer was the office holder.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m., Eastern Savings Time. A motion to adjourn by Larry L. Brady. Seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried. A motion made to adjourned at 7:03 p.m. by Michael D. (Mick) Tiede, seconded by Alexander Haschel. Motion carried. The next scheduled Joint Session is Monday, April 14, 2014 in the Commissioners room at 6:00 p.m.

**Approved and signed this 10th day of March, 2014
PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL**

**Approved & signed this 3rd day of March, 2014
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Jerry G. Sullivan, President

Larry L. Brady, President

Roger Querry, Vice-President

Tracey Shorter, Vice-President

Ronald Powers

Terry L. Young

Thomas J. Roth

ATTEST: _____
Shelia K. Garling, Auditor Pulaski Co.

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