

JULY 28, 2014

EMERGENCY SESSION

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners convened in Emergency Session at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time at the Pulaski County Highway in Winamac, Indiana, the call to order by Larry L. Brady President, Tracey Shorter, Vice-President via Telephone and Terry L. Young, Commissioners, and Kevin Tankersley, County Attorney.

Also present were: Mark Fox and Amber Tomlinson

IN RE: ACCIDENT INVOLVING A COUNTY HIGHWAY TRUCK

Press Release:

An unfortunate accident occurred today involving a Pulaski County Highway Department vehicle. Driver, David Bailey, was heading North on 600 West, after having delivered a load of millings to a worksite, when a vehicle traveling West on 100 South failed to stop at the intersection. Bailey attempted to avoid a collision, but did not have sufficient time and collided with the one passenger vehicle. The impact of the truck caused the other vehicle to leave the roadway and strike a nearby tree. The car ignited on impact with the tree. Bailey was in radio contract with the department dispatch and the fire department, an ambulance, and law enforcement were immediately contacted. Bailey was equipped with a fire extinguisher and attempted to put out the vehicle and remove the sole occupant. He was quickly jointed by drivers, Wade Wake, Kyle Cotner, and Doug Moyer, who were returning from the same worksite and also had fire extinguishers. They were unable to contain the fire despite the fact that Bailey is a volunteer fireman. The occupant was removed from the vehicle by the Winamac Fire Department and the Coroner found no signs of life. Bailey was transported to Pulaski memorial Hospital and released without significant injury. Based on standard operating procedure he was administered a breath test by law enforcement which showed no signs of alcohol. The Department of Transportation was contacted to conduct a full review of the highway department truck. Bailey advised that the truck was functioning properly at the time of the accident. This was a sad and traumatic event for the workers involved, but every department responded and conducted themselves with professionalism. The workers of Pulaski County send their thoughts and prayers to the family and loved ones of the deceased.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m. with a motion made by Terry L. Young, seconded by Tracey Shorter. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, August 4, 2014 in the Commissioners Room, in the Courthouse at 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Signed and dated this 18th day of August, 2014
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Larry L. Brady, President

Tracey Shorter, Vice-President

Terry L. Young

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