

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners convened in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time in the Commissioner's Room, at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana, the call to order by Terry L. Young, Upon the Pledge of Allegiance the meeting began. Present also was Larry L. Brady, Vice-President, Bud Krohn, Jr., Commissioners, Kevin Tankersley, County Attorney and Shelia K. Garling, Auditor.

Also present, other than those who are on the agenda, were: Amber Tomlinson, Tyler Maffitt, Garry Brady, Jeff Johnson, JoLynn Behny, Ellen Brady, Cynthia Brady, Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Gary Kruger, Anthony W. Pesaresi, Tina M. Pesaresi, David Zeltwanger, and Gregg Malott.

**IN RE: COMMISSIONERS MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Commissioners Meeting of January 19, & February 1, 2016 were approved as presented upon a motion by Larry L. Brady, seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**IN RE: PAYROLL & OTHER CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCES**

Payroll claims for the period (Hourly: January 17, 2016 – January 30, 2016) were received, considered and action taken thereon as shown on the Payroll Claim & Allowance Docket they were paid on February 12, 2016.

Regular Claims & Allowance Docket dated February 16, 2016 were received, considered, and action taken thereon as shown presented. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to pay claims as submitted, seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried. The claim (bond to Novotny's) that was tabled a couple of meetings ago, Commissioners said pay the claim.

**IN RE: OPENING OF BIDS FOR THE HIGHWAY**

Larry L. Brady opens the bids for the:

1984 GMC 5<sup>th</sup> Wheel Truck; Gary Hayden, BEG Construction Co \$509.00; Ryan Rohloff \$635.00; Dale Abbott \$525.00. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve Ryan Rohloff bid of \$635.00. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

1982 GMC Dump Truck (starting bid at \$900.00); Kenny Becker \$1,360.00; Gary Hayden \$1,135.00; Ryan Rohloff \$1,035.00. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve Kenny Becker's bid of \$1,360.00. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**IN RE: HIGHWAY REPORT AND UNITED CONSULTING CONTRACT**

Comes now, Terry Ruff, Highway Superintendent, Gary Kruger and Jeff Larrison, United Consulting. Jeff Larrison presented their Professional Services Agreement as requested for the hydraulic analysis contract for Pulaski County Bridge No. 154, CR 700 N over Bogus Run. The scope, schedule and fees are in accordance with the enclosed agreement. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve and sign contract. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

Terry Ruff said they had put money into their budget this year for a couple of used pickups. They have found a couple of pickups and they are scheduled to look at them tomorrow. They need checks for these pickups can they take a check with them? Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve Terry Ruff & Gary Kruger to purchase these pickups and give the Auditor approval to cut the checks for them to take in the amount of \$10,400.00. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried. The Auditor commented, she needs a claim before she will give a check.

Terry Ruff, requested the County Highway to go back to the 4/10 hour days starting March 27, 2016 until September 25, 2016. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**Reminder: Frost Road Advisory Information:**

The Pulaski County Highway Department reminds drivers that the Frost Road Advisory officially begins on February 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through April 1<sup>st</sup>. The Frost Road Advisory has been implemented to protect the county roads from damage caused by heavy vehicles traveling during a time when the roads and the road bases are defrosting.

Any Vehicle weighing over 8 tons is asked to contact the Highway Department for the best route possible for maintaining our county roads.

Please call Pulaski County Highway Department at 574-946-3942 between the hours of 7am – 3pm Monday – Friday for additional information. Thank you for your help in this matter. It will also be on the website.

Motion made by Larry L. Brady to move forward with the Frost Road Advisory information letter. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

Larry L. Brady commented on behalf of the Commissioners, an excellent job on corporate replacement of county road 1450 West on the Anliker ditch between the Francesville town park and Fratco. Want to thank Fratco for their generous donation of tile, 5 foot by 50 foot section they donated. Great job on the Highway department.

**IN RE: EMS**

Comes now, Nikki Lowry, EMS Director to give her monthly report. Nikki is Chairperson for the Safety Committee; she has done some digging and found the tornado policy. We didn't find anything for the West Side of the county. I will talk with Sherri Gaillard when she returns. One of the things we found is not having accountability. We will have a Tornado drill in March.

**IN RE: WORKONE**

Comes now, Sandra Bailey and Christine Bonnell, WorkOne to talk about what they do and what they offer. Our youth program is offered to young adults 16/24 years of age who meet eligibility requirements. We encourage young adults to gain skills by offering financial assistance for short term training programs in a variety of in-demand occupation. We work with local employers in bridging gap of potential hires into our on-the-job training and work experience programs. Our Adult/Dislocated program is offered to individuals 18 years of age and older who also meet eligibility requirements. Customers who have been unemployed due to termination or lay off, closure of facility or was dependent on the income of another family member, but is no longer supported by that income would be eligible for assistance through our Dislocated Worker program.

**IN RE: TERRY L. YOUNG READ A STATEMENT**

Terry L. Young read this statement at the meeting:

To the members of the Pulaski County Board of Commissioners, County employees and to the public:

Recent events have led me to make the following statements – The County's business is more important than personalities. If members of this Board have issues with one another. I am asking you to please take your grievances and arguments outside this room.

I also ask the Board members not take these personal issues and us the media to disrespect each other. I am further asking that County employees please try to communicate in a professional manner and if any employee has comment or concerns the employee may discuss things respectfully and in a proper manner.

To the public, Please understand we don't always have to agree or vote the same; however we need to get along in public. I know you're concerned about actions of this Board and the image it gives our community. Our job is to do the business of Pulaski County and we must do so in a more respectful and professional manner from now on.

Terry L. Young

President

Pulaski County Board of Commissioners

**IN RE: CDC REPORT**

Comes now, Nathan Origer, CDC Director to give his report.

CTE RAM-Tech program. I intended to order the training modules last week, but I had a meeting with the principal at West Central High School and a workforce-development specialist from Conexus Indiana, and now I'm holding off for just a couple of days to see how we can bolster the curriculum offerings. It should happen later this week or early next week. Annual Summit/20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. It's on Tuesday March 1, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Please let me know if you'll be in attendance.

Monterey Loan. As you perhaps recall, last year the County agreed to make a zero-interest loan of \$35,000.00 to the Town of Monterey to help them with local-match obligations for their wastewater grant. I'm requesting that you confirm that the terms of this loan be \$3,500.00 annual repayment for ten years, so that they have something in writing to this end. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve \$3,500.00 a year for 10 years. Seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried. Bud Krohn, Jr., abstained.

Tourism expense request. As you all are aware, we recently had, as a holdover from the Website project, a tourism video developed. I've received approval from the CDC and a transfer of funds from the County Council to expend \$20,000.00 to air this commercial 38 times during a one-week period in April on CBS Chicago, including spots in most-watch local-news programs, The Price is Right, and the Academy of Country Music 2016 awards show. I need your blessing to expend that much money on a single project. Motion made to approve the request from Larry L. Brady, seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried. Bud Krohn, Jr., abstained.

**IN RE: RECYCLING/TRANSFER REPORT**

Comes now, Brad Bonnell, Manager to give his monthly report. Reaching out for cardboard needing indoor storage, to get a premium price, it needs to be dry. Get it put into the budget so the cardboard will be indoors. Did get new (used) pickup and it is working out well. Terry L. Young asks if any plans on the new entrance on the east side of the Transfer Station. That would come along with the grant money; I'm getting closer to getting that. I'm going to apply for the grant.

**IN RE: CATHY FRITZ CONSULTING, PRE-EMPLOYMENT TESTING**

Comes now, Cathy Fritz, Cathy Fritz Consulting, my company is growing, and I know am a 3<sup>rd</sup> party administrator. Would like to have the county do there drug testing through her 3<sup>rd</sup> party administrator instead of Figment group. Motion made by Larry L. Brady, on completion of the contract with Figment, enter into a contract with Cathy Fritz Consulting for pre-employment testing to TPA (Third Party Administrator) Cathy said that includes your random and reasonable suspicious . Seconded Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**IN RE: SHERIFF'S REPORT**

Comes now, Jeff Richwine, Sheriff to give his report. Bring you up to date on the ICON project in the jail. It controls the water that is used in the toilets, showers, and sinks. Jeff from Maintenance has started the project. Kudos to Jeff's crew, they have one block almost finished. I was back and seen some of the changes, it's going to a nice benefit for our jailers. We were talking about the money it's going to save, with water usage and having control of it. It can be programed any way we want it.

Updates:

Dispatch center, David Kain starts February 21, 2016 and he will be the Chief Dispatcher/911 Coordinator.

All the carpet is laid with only 1(one) office left, labor is being done by inmates. I've talked to Jeff Johnston, on using inmates in the evenings to do some of the cleaning.

We are working on the door locks to get them working, get the maintenance done on the door locks so they are up to date. I'm going to go to the Council to ask for Misdemeanant funds to help pay for the doors.

**IN RE: SHERIFF'S MATRIX**

Kevin Tankersley said it's his understanding that this board wants to approve the Sheriff's matrix now (the Commissioners), as it is. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve the Sheriff's pay matrix as presented. Sheriff Richwine said that there was discussion (Council) on the dispatcher why had we done half and half, I remember them saying in the meeting why don't we just give it to them. As long as that's included I'm fine. Amended Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve the Sheriff's pay matrix as presented. With the Dispatchers getting there full jump instead of their half of it. Retroactively. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

Bud Krohn, Jr. he brought up a discussion, we are looking at a new EMA building to lease to buy, could we move the coroner's coolers in the basement of the Sheriff's department. Sheriff Richwine said he didn't have a problem. It's hard to access to the basement. Bud also brought up some of the county boys said there is storage at the Recycling (Brad Bonnell) that is full and there is a lot of bicycles and stuff, could the Sheriff have a sale and get rid of some of that stuff. Sheriff Richwine said he would check on that stuff, he needs to find out where the bikes came from, if there ours.

**IN RE: SHERIFF'S MATRIX**

Brad said they had been out there maybe 10 years according to the tags on them. Sheriff Richwine asks if they had evidence tags on it. Brad said yes. Sheriff Richwine said he would go out and check it out, if they can get rid of they will.

**IN RE: KEY FOBS**

Request a charge for replacing a key fob if it has to be replaced. Motion made by Larry L. Brady to charge \$10.00 for a replacement charge. Seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried.

**IN RE: CONFERENCE REQUEST**

Motion made by Larry L. Brady to approve conference request, seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried. Shelia K. Garling, Auditor to request to attend Auditor's Regional Meeting in Kokomo IN on March 22, 2016. Lynette Wilder, Recorder to request to attend Spring Treasurer's District Meeting on March 2, 2016 at Plainfield IN. Larry L. Brady to attend Purdue Road School in Lafayette IN on March 8 & 9, 2016. Motion made by Larry L. Brady for Nathan P. Origer to run 38 airings of 30 second Pulaski County Tourism commercials on CBS local Chicago in early April. Seconded by Terry L. Young. Motion carried. Bud Krohn, Jr. abstained.

**IN RE: LETTER OF PROMULGATION**

Motion made by Larry L. Brady to sign letter of Promulgation, this is the Pulaski County Comprehensive Emergency management Plan. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**IN RE: CASH RENT AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY FARM 2016**

The flexible Cash Rent Agreement with Tim & Sue Alexander for the County Farm for 2016 was presented and a motion made by Larry L. Brady to sign. Seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried.

**IN RE: AUDIO RECORDINGS OF MEETINGS ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE**

Motion made by Larry L. Brady to put the Audio recordings of the Commissioners minutes to be available on the website. A lack of a second. Bud Krohn, Jr. said no. Terry L. Young suggested that we get the Ordinance's and all the minutes to meeting on there first. Maybe also put the Resolutions. The Auditor said that the cassette tapes had been destroyed, per policy to destroy after the minutes had been approved.

**IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR'S HOURS**

Questioning what the Building Inspectors hours our, the policy books says 8 – 4. But he is working 7 – 2 with no lunch. Also the Assistance is part time and is working more hours then he should. Terry L. Young said it is going to vary from time to time. Larry said that at budget time may the Assistant should be made full time. We could recommend this to the policy committee that his hours be changed and then the policy committee could then bring it up to the boards. Kevin Tankersley said whatever works, as long as we are following our own policy.

**COMMENT:**

Any follow up on the County Home, Terry said he talked with Dwaine Davis and he said he wanted to get through the storm and bad weather, then maybe in March.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Amber from the Pulaski Journal asks Bud why he was silent on a couple of the votes. Bud said he was saying no. Amber asks if he opposed them, because he was silent on a couple of them. Bud said he didn't make the motion. Amber said does that mean you're no or abstaining. Bud said they didn't ask for a vote.

Ellen Brady ask a question, how long it would take to download the audio. Larry said less than an hour. Jerry Locke said he had a couple questions, concerning the cash land, how many acres is actually owned out there and he's paying for? 116.8 acres. Is that a 1 year lease cash rent, 5, 10? 1 year, it's cash and crop sharing. Jerry ask for a copy of the cash rent document and was told to go to the Auditor's office in the morning. He said he would like one. Didn't once upon a time, cash rent or crop sharing supposed to go to the fair board? Commissioners said County Home. Jerry said a long time ago. Bud said, the 20 acres is still setting out there for the fair board. Kevin Tankersley said there is legally binding on where it goes. Kevin said you (Commissioners) and the Council can decide what you want to do with it. Jerry asks, the cash rent how much is it per acre? Bud said it's on a flex sum. Terry said the base is \$150.00 per acre.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m. Motion made by Larry L. Brady, seconded by Bud Krohn, Jr. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, 2016 in the Commissioners Room, in the Courthouse at 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**Signed and dated this 7th day of March, 2016  
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Terry L. Young, President

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Larry L. Brady, Vice-President

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Bud Krohn, Jr.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Shelia K. Garling, Auditor, Pulaski County