

PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR SESSION

MAY 15, 2017

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00am Eastern Time on May 15, 2017 in the Commissioners' Hearing room, at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Attorney Kevin Tankersley, and Auditor Laura Wheeler. Commissioner Krohn was absent.

Also, present, were Amber Tomlinson, Terry Ruff, Carroll Lange, Nikky Lowry, Nathan Origer, Brad Bonnell, Doug Hoover, Christ Hoffa, Jeff Richwine, Ray Franko, Doug Denton, Megan Allen, Dan Garrigan, Robert Schultz, Fred Kasten, Chance Blankenship, Michael Gallberger of WKVI, Joe Moyer, and Barbara Whitaker.

Commissioner Kenny Becker opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Terry Ruff updated on the County Garage activities and reported that mowing would begin on Monday.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR/ROBERT SCHULTZ

Doug Hoover and Bob Schultz from Medaryville, presented pictures of an abandoned house in Medaryville owned by a WWII veteran Robert Delaquist, deceased. They are requesting to have it condemned so that the town can clean up the mess. There will be an investigation to find heirs of Robert Delaquist.

IN RE: EMS

Nikki Lowry gave EMS update and reported that FBI Builders quote on building expansion is \$109,000.00.

IN RE: CDC

Nathan Origer reported that Pulaski County Soil and Water Conservation would advertise on the same website and share the cost.

Pulaski County has collaborated with several local tourism-oriented businesses and the Ft. Wayne CW television station to offer weekend getaway packages.

Ram-Tech program at West Central certified 14 of the 32 students in the program.

The CDC will hire two part-time interns for the summer.

Nathan is developing guidelines for a tax-abatement review committee.

IN RE: RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION

Brad Bonnell reported on April 2017 revenues and expenses. Brad wants to remind everyone that the household hazardous waste collections is July 22 from 8 – 12. Another reminder to everyone is that latex paint is disposable if dried out on cardboard or something. The station is in need of a 50 - 53 foot semi- trailer.

IN RE: MEGAN ALLEN

Megan Allen requests information on the process of closing road 60 West. Kevin Tankersley stated that traditionally this information would be obtained through discovery. It was suggested that she contact Willie DeGroot to see if he could resurrect saved emails from our network system.

IN RE: DAN GARRIGAN

Dan Garrigan is interested in being hired to review the current CSI system to determine if changing to Odyssey is warranted. Judge Shurn has determined to stay with CSI for now.

IN RE: FRED KASTEN

Fred Kasten reported progress and coming projects on the Panhandle Pathway. Kenny Becker volunteered to serve on the Tippecanoe River Park Board.

IN RE: DOUG DENTON

Doug Denton approached the commissioners about the fence surrounding the Sportsman Bar in Monterey. Debris is shoving fence into the street. Kenny Becker made a motion to keep the fence in good order and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IN RE: JUSTICE CENTER

Jeff Richwine reported on new vehicles, officers training, maintenance, and renovation of Justice Center. Animal ordinance discussion pursued.

IN RE: MINUTES

Kenny Becker made a motion to accept the May 1, 2017 minutes as presented and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Becker motioned to approve and sign corrected minutes from April 17, 2017 and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Kenny Becker made a motion to approve all claims and payroll as presented and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

As there was nothing further to discuss, Jerry Locke motioned to adjourn at 9:10am and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Signed and dated this 5th day of June, 2017
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Kenny Becker, President

Jerry Locke, Vice President

Bud Krohn, Jr.

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor