

**PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**JUNE 19, 2017**

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00am Eastern Time on June 19, 2017 in the Commissioners' Hearing room, at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Auditor Laura Wheeler, and Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Commissioner Krohn was absent.

Also, present, were Amber Tomlinson, Terry Ruff, Jessica Rausch, Carroll Lange, Nikky Lowry, Nathan Origer, Brad Bonnell, Doug Hoover, Jeff Johnston, Sheri Gaillard, Jeff Richwine, Ray Franko, Michael Gallberger of WKVI, Chris Smith of Copiers Plus, Gene Timm, and Joe Moyer.

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 on emergency repairs. Selling old equipment briefly discussed.

**IN RE: EMS**

Nikki Lowry gave EMS update and reported on transfer call issues.

**IN RE: CDC**

Nathan Origer reminded the commissioners of the upcoming executive session concerning the West-side Industrial Park; a free workshop on launching a new business presented on Tuesday evening, June 27, 2017 at the Pulaski County Library; and a farmers' breakfast set for Wednesday, August 2, 2017 with an attorney scheduled to speak about farm estate planning and ownership transition.

The Pulaski County Human Resource Group is working on a compensation survey that will give local employers an idea as to how competitive their pay scales and benefit packages are.

The Panhandle Pathway is closer to completion now that one of the INDOT permits has been approved and the Adopt-a-River program is in progress.

Nathan Origer also reported that the new hog facilities recently approved by the zoning board will automatically be accepted if the commissioners do not take action by early August 2017.

**IN RE: RECYCLING/TRANSFER STATION**

Brad Bonnell reported on May 2017 revenues and expenses. He has added a breakroom for the employees, has had a new furnace installed, and is asking for approval to add an air conditioner. Kenny Becker motioned to approve the addition of an air conditioner for \$1,750.00 and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Brad reminds everyone that the household hazardous waste collections is July 22, 2017 from 8 – 12.

**IN RE: MAINTENANCE**

Jeff Johnston gave an update on county repairs. Johnston addressed the seven County issues reported by the IOSHA (Indiana Occupational Safety and Health Administration) in a letter to the County Commissioners.

Johnston instructed to continue mowing around barn and react building.

**IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR/ROBERT SCHULTZ**

Doug Hoover reported that the bidding process will begin July 1, 2017 on the Blight house in Medaryville.

**IN RE: EMA**

Sheri Gaillard presented the updated Comprehensive Emergency Plan for approval. Kenny Becker motioned to accept the plan as presented and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheri Gaillard presented the Pulaski County Policy, Under the Americans with Disability Act for approval and stated that there was no change to the policy but needs updated signatures. Kenny Becker motioned to accept the policy as presented and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: CIRCUIT COURT**

Judge Shurn could not be present but sent a letter of request for transfers as follows:

From: 1000-232 County General/Circuit Court	
16100 Venue of Judge	\$1,000.00
16200 Venue of Court Reporter	500.00
16300 Venue of Court Bailiff	350.00
20300 Envelopes	1,000.00
To: 31301 Examination of Prisoners	\$2,850.00
Total Request for Transfer	\$2,850.00

**IN RE: COPIERS PLUS**

Chris Smith of Copiers Plus reported on copier leases throughout the county offices and stated that colored copies are high, which increases the cost of maintenance. He presented the commissioners with a total buy out option but was asked to break it down per lease.

**IN RE: JUSTICE CENTER**

Jeff Richwine asked to sell command bus (motor home) due to aging. Kenny Becker motioned to have the command bus put in the July 29, 2017 auction and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: IT**

An executive session is set for Monday, June 26, 2017 @ 5:00pm to interview prospective employees for the IT position.

**IN RE: OLD BUSINESS**

Kenny Becker motioned to table the decision of Health Insurance carrier for further review and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The commissioners were apprised of an opening position on the Star City Rural Sewer District. Kenny Becker motioned to table an appointment until a recommendation is made and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**IN RE: MINUTES**

Jerry Locke made a motion to accept the June 5, 2017 minutes as presented and Kenny Becker 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.

Gene Timm asked about the closing of the county home sale in order to get it removed from the insurance.

As there was nothing further to discuss, Kenny Becker motioned to adjourn at 9:14am and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Signed and dated this 3rd day of July, 2017  
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Kenny Becker, President

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Jerry Locke, Vice President

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Bud Krohn, Jr.

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor