

PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR SESSION

SEPTEMBER 18, 2017

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00am Eastern Time on September 18, 2017 in the Commissioners' Hearing room, at the Courthouse in Winamac, Indiana. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kenny Becker, Jerry Locke, Mike McClure, Auditor Laura Wheeler, and Attorney Kevin Tankersley.

Also, present, were Amber Tomlinson, Terry Ruff, Carroll Lange, Nikki Lowry, Nathan Origer, Brad Bonnell, Jeff Johnston, Doug Hoover, Jeff Richwine, Ray Franko, Michael Gallenberger of WKVI, Gene Timm, Matthew Voltz, Jon Chapman, Sheila Jimenez, Jeff Larrison, and Joe Moyer.

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

IN RE: COUNTY HIGHWAY

Terry Ruff and Jeff Larrison of United Consulting approached the board to discuss bridge plans. Mike McClure motioned to approve Bridge #154 plan proposal and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The tree line at 950 S 700 W, Winamac discussed briefly because of a request from Glen Thompson.

IN RE: EMS

EMS policy updates presented for Nepotism and general policy changes. Approval tabled for further review. Nikki Lowry reported on EMS activity for August 2017. Nikki is covering duties done by Connie Bair who is on FMLA from a broken ankle. Bill outsourcing discussed and suggestions made on EMS staff helping administrative work when not on call.

IN RE: CDC

Nathan Origer provided documents for a \$40,000.00 revolving loan for Sheila Jimenez doing business as Tippy's. This is a ten year, 3.75% interest-rate loan for moving to a new location offering more space for business expansion. The commissioners asked to review the land contract from Don Galbreath. Mike McClure motioned to proceed with the loan subject to accepted collateral and Jerry Locke seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Nathan explained CDC's strategic visioning and gave Unified Development Ordinance update.

IN RE: TRANSFER/RECYCLING

Brad Bonnell reported on Recycle and Transfer Station activities for August 2017. An invoice from Dougs Repair, Inc. for a compressor repair presented for approval because it will come from the commissioners' fund. Mike McClure motioned to approve the invoice for payment and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: MAINTENANCE

Jeff Johnston reported on estimated cost of lawn care and snow removal. A contract is being drafted and an advertisement placed for lawn care/snow removal contractor quotes. There are issues with the North side Courthouse basement doors. The commissioners suggested grinding down the opening/door to make it usable.

IN RE: BUILDING INSPECTOR

Doug Hoover reported that demolition on the Blight project would begin next week. It will take approximately two days and will then need to be signed over to Habitat for Humanity. Compliance issues questioned on a privately owned property in Medaryville. The consensus is that the insurance company would be the ones to be concerned. The owner has been in contact with Doug for approval and advice.

IN RE: IT

IT manager, Matt Voltz is looking at another copier company for our copiers/printers. He suggested paying off the current lease on the Veterans' office copier and giving it to circuit court. A new backup system needed.

IN RE: JUSTICE CENTER

Jeff Richwine reported on Justice Center activities and discussed two fiberglass boats that were hauled to the transfer station for disposal.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Kenny Becker motioned to sign the tax sale resolution and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no appointments made for the Star City Sewer Board appointment.

Kevin Tankersley presented a new contract for consideration. Mike McClure motioned to approve Kevin Tankersley as the County Attorney with a new 3-year contract and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Locke motioned to approve the following conference requests and Mike McClure seconded the request.
Motion carried unanimously.

Branson Eber, Rifle Armorer Course @ Lawrence Police Dept.; Dec 13 – 15. 2017 (686.00)
Phil Foerg, Johnson County Sheriff's Department Firearms Range – Sept 25, 2017 (\$185.00)

IN RE: MINUTES

Mike McClure motioned to accept the September 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 Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Becker opened the meeting for public comment. Joe Moyer pointed out that the North side Courthouse doors have inner doors with locking mechanisms.

As there was nothing further to discuss, Jerry Locke motioned to adjourn at 9:52am and Mike McClure seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**Signed and dated this 2nd day of October, 2017
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Kenny Becker, President

Jerry Locke, Vice President

Mike McClure

ATTEST: _____
Laura Wheeler, Pulaski County Auditor