

**PULASKI COUNTY COUNCIL
PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

The Pulaski County Board of Commissioners and the Pulaski County Council met at 6:00pm EDST on June 11, 2018 at the Pulaski County Highway Garage in the Conference room, Winamac, Indiana. Present for the meeting were Commissioners Kenny Becker and Jerry Locke. Council members present were Jerry (Jay) Sullivan, Thomas J. Roth, Kenneth Boswell, Scott Hinkle, Linda Powers, Auditor Laura Wheeler, and Attorney Kevin Tankersley. Michael T. Tiede and Alexsondra Haschel arrived during the meeting. Mike McClure was absent.

Also, present, were Amber Tomlinson, Michael Gallenberger of WKVI, Jeff Richwine, Jeff and JoLynn Johnston, Doug Hoover, Joe Moyer, Kathy Miller, Gary and Stephanie Culp, John Behny, Jon Frain, Greg Hildebrandt, Brian Young, Terry Ruff, and Gary Kruger.

President of the Board of Commissioners Kenny Becker and President of the County Council Jerry (Jay) Sullivan called the meeting to order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN RE: CORONER

John Behny presented conference request. Jerry Locke motioned to approve the conference request and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jon Frain reported that he and Behny were asked to serve on two different statewide boards. Indiana Violent Death Registry Board and the Coroner's Council. A data sharing agreement signed by Governor Holcomb two weeks ago for drug overdose cases. The agreement allows supplies to be provided by the State and can create significant savings. The new state law requires drug tests sent to the state and the state will pay for it. Jerry Locke motioned to approve the data sharing agreement and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Fee collections by the Coroner's Department for certain documents (i.e. death certificates, autopsy report, cremation permit, Coroner's summary, Toxicology report) discussed at length. Michael T. Tiede motioned to approve \$100 fee charge per document provided beyond the first one. This will give one copy to next of kin free and \$100 per any additional copies. After further discussion, the motion was amended pending counsel review. Kenneth Boswell wants to table the decision for further review.

A purchase agreement for the Masonic Lodge 108 N Franklin St., Winamac, IN presented for approval. The lodge closed in 2017 and negotiations have been in process for the past six months. The building is 40 years old and has 5,000 sq. ft. with a parking lot for \$50,000.00. The building includes two desks and filing cabinets. Utilities estimated at \$250.00 per month. Thomas J. Roth stated that this just adds another building to maintain by a maintenance director that already has his hands full. Jeff Johnston replied that the added building maintenance would be insignificant.

Jerry Locke motioned to purchase the Masonic Lodge for \$50,000.00 and approve \$20,000.00 for compliancy updates and remodeling. Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council member Kenneth Boswell motioned to advertise \$70,000 for the Masonic Lodge purchase and remodel to come out of # 1191 Riverboat Fund. Alexsondra Haschel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IN RE: SPEED LIMITS

Greg Hilderbrandt requested that the speed limit be reduced on 250 N, Winamac (airport road). Sheriff stated that Barney Rausch works 250 N regularly and will ask him to report on traffic conditions.

Thomas J. Roth motioned to post 55 miles per hour speed limit signs and Linda Powers seconded the motion. The vote was 5 – 2 in favor. Kenneth Boswell and Scott Hinkle opposed the motion.

Kenny Becker asked sheriff to monitor the traffic on that road more closely and keep us posted.

IN RE: SHERIFF

Jeff Richwine explained the Sheriff's retirement plan and stated Stan Brown of OneAmerica Retirement Services wants to make a presentation at a future meeting.

Type 4 vest sold and the Sheriff wants to buy updated vests with the help from the Commissary fund.

IN RE: OTHER BUSINESS

Jerry Locke motioned to approve the April 9, 2018 Joint Session minutes and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Linda Powers motioned to approve April 9, 2018 Joint Session minutes and Alexsondra Haschel seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Kenny Becker motioned to appoint Mark Wuitrich to the Pulaski Memorial Hospital board as requested and Jerry Locke seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Locke motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32pm and Kenny Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Michael T. Tiede motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:32pm and Scott Hinkle seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Signed and dated
August 13, 2018

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ATTEST: _____
Laura M. Wheeler, Auditor, Pulaski County