

## MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Monday, February 1, 2021

9:00 A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Clinton County Courthouse, 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Commissioner Josh Uits called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

### PRESENT

Josh Uitts  
Jordan Brewer  
Mark Timmons

### ABSENT

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Rick Campbell, Brett Barton, Rhea Harris, Rich Kelly, Greg Miller, Liz Stitzel, Renee Crick, Ken Hartman, Britt Ostler and others shown to be present in the minutes. Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

### **IN THE MATTER OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Uitts led the pledge of allegiance.

### **IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST TO PAVE 100 NORTH**

Matt Kelley made a request for his road on 100 North to be chip and sealed. It is 7/10 of a mile and has 4 family homes on this road. Commissioner Uitts stated they would look into it.

### **IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY UPDATE**

Rick Campbell reported they were out from 5:00 Saturday evening until 1:00 Sunday morning plowing snow and went back out again at 4:00 a.m. Sunday. They were back out Monday morning salting and sanding.

Rick presented contracts for Federal Grant Money for bridges #67, #55, and #36 to be signed by all three Commissioners. Commissioners signed the contracts.

### **IN THE MATTER OF AREA PLAN**

Liz Stitzel reported on the unsafe structures that are currently open cases. The property on 2360 W Farmers Gravel Rd was sold in the last tax sale to the neighbor who intends to tear it down. They will monitor and cite if not removed. Property at 8989 E Oak St. in Hillisburg, there are issues with ownership, checking on payment made 10/5/2020 by the deceased Florence Cole. Property previously known as Stowers, has made its way through the septic plan but not the sub division steps. Should be resolved this year. Property at 3330 Michigantown Rd, Liz recommends placing another notice and removal in 2021. Liz recommends taking bids for the removal of the Manson Elevator as number one priority. The old Jefferson School is the oldest case, last year they put a first lien on it and she recommends a second lien.

Commissioner Uitts recommends getting bids for Manson Elevator and the Michigantown Rd house. They will wait until after spring taxes to put a second lien on the Jefferson School. Commissioner Brewer would like caution tape or signs placed on the Manson Elevator. Commissioner Timmons also recommends putting a no trespassing sign on the building. Commissioner Timmons motioned to take bids to tear down the Manson Elevator, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Liz gave a year end report to the Commissioners. City and County, together, issued 1327 permits. Clinton County issued 34 new homes. Created 9 new subdivisions supplying 12 new lots. Total worth of the new valuation is \$93,172,239.27. Commercial and Industrial constructions are \$75,107,816. There are 44 open, unresolved violation cases. BZA heard 50 cases requesting special exceptions and variances.

### **IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve Atlas Excavating Pay App 5, Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve J.G. Case Construction Pay App 9, Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-01 vacation of alley in Kilmore that was vacated on 1/4/2021. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve a one time Beacon Agreement in the amount of \$3,240.00 to change and update software. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve Paul Phillippe's second quarter grant claim. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve the conflict of interest statement for Alan Dunn. Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Rhea Harris presented the annual Microvote Maintenance Agreement for \$12,000. Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve the agreement. Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

Greg Miller stated that they are still waiting on a legal address for the new EMS Building site. Liz stated that it has been delayed due to septic system regulations.

Renee Crick reported that she has asked for quotes for the phone back up system. She would like to have a laptop with spillman for the trainer. The Commissioners agree that she can have a laptop. She stated that the tabletop drill went well.

Sheriff Kelly reported that they have 61 Federal Inmates. There was discussion about the purchase of new vehicles and entering into an Interlocal agreement between the Clinton County Commissioners, Clinton County Council and the Clinton County Sheriff. Commissioner Timmons motioned for the Sheriff to purchase the 8 vehicles from the dealership, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner Uitts reported that he talked to Todd Jackson about the Property and Casualty insurance renewal effective February 1, with no major changes except for changing insurance carriers. Rossville ambulance services have come on board with Clinton County to help them with their vehicle insurance. Todd recommended making our deductible \$10,000 instead of \$5,000 decreasing the premium by \$5,000. He will be meeting with Todd Tuesday.

Renee stated that they need a replacement for Steve Woods on the Local Emergency Plan Commission Board. Commissioner Timmons stated he would sit on the LEPC Board.

#### **IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Commissioner Timmons motioned to approve the following claims as submitted, Commissioner Brewer seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated January 22, 2021 in the amount of \$12,741.74  
Friday claim dated January 29, 2021 in the amount of \$34,253.48  
Bi-weekly claims dated February 1, 2021 in the amount of \$863,973.25  
Court claims dated February 1, 2021 in the amount of \$16,364.54  
Surplus dated February 1, 2021 in the amount of \$30,596.14

#### **IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL**

Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve the payroll as submitted, Commissioner Timmons seconded. Motion carried 3-0.


Payroll dated January 15, 2021 in the amount of \$423,244.34

#### **IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER MINUTES**

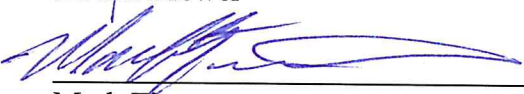
Commissioner Brewer motioned to approve regular meeting minutes dated January 19, 2021 with the amendment of changing Steve Woods name to Mark Timmons in the place that the Commissioners sign, seconded by Commissioner Timmons Motion carried 3-0.

Without any further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Timmons motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Brewer at 9:54 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY

  
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Josh Uitts, President

  
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Jordan Brewer

  
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Mark Timmons

ATTEST:

  
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Britt Ostler, Auditor

