

MINUTES OF THE CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

November 20, 2018

9:00A.M.

The Clinton County Commissioners met for a regular meeting on November 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located at 125 Courthouse Square, Frankfort, IN 46041.

Vice President of the Commissioners, Commissioner Uitts called the meeting to order with the following members shown to be present or absent:

PRESENT

Josh Uitts
Steve Woods
Scott Shoemaker

ABSENT

Others in attendance were Commissioner Assistant Jerri Sexton, Cathy Hamilton, Ron Gascho, Ken Hartman, Renee Crick, Dennis Dunlap, Joe Mink, Chris Overman, Rodney Wann, Greg Miller, Kevin Myers, Rich Kelly, Dan Sheets, Mark Mills and others shown to be present in the minutes.
Commissioner's Assistant Jerri Sexton recorded the minutes.

IN THE MATTER OF PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Uitts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Uitts asked for public comment and none was received

IN THE MATTER OF INMATE HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Chief Deputy Joe Mink presented the renewal contract for the Inmate Healthcare Services for 2019.
Commissioner Shoemaker made a motion to approve contract for the Inmate Healthcare Services, Commissioner Woods seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CURT OSWEILER/H2O

Curt Osweiler and Austin Beach gave a presentation on Office H2O water purification system, focusing on replacing the 5 gallon water bottles that some offices currently have. This would be a lease of the water cooler with maintenance, replace and repair would be Office H2O's responsibility. This would be a flat rate not an increase over time. Austin would like to visit with departments that have water coolers to do a cost saving analysis.

IN THE MATTER OF EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK UPDATE

Dennis Dunlap presented an update to the employee handbook regarding vacation, and personal time policy to reflect employees regular weekly work schedules. The EMS policy will be updated as previously mentioned in the November 5th meeting. All changes will go into effect January 1, 2019. Commissioner Shoemaker motions to approve the new work, vacation, and personal time schedule to be entered into Clinton County employee handbook. and the new EMS policy to be entered into the EMS employee handbook. Commissioner Woods Seconded. Motion carried 3-0

IN THE MATTER OF DEMO BIDS FOR PROPERTIES 8940 AND 8966 E CHURCH STREET IN HILLISBURG

The county received three bids. First one being Fultz Farm the first quote for property 8940 is \$15,280.00 second quote for property 8966 is \$16,390.00 total package for both properties is \$30,990.00. Second bidder Alliance Excavating, first quote \$14,830.00, second quote \$12,600.00, total package for both properties is \$26,430.00. Third bidder is Ridenour Excavating, first quote \$10,500.00 second quote \$8,000.00, total package for both properties is \$17,500.00. Commissioners will take bids under advisement and table until next meeting.

IN THE MATTER OF HIGHWAY

Highway Superintendent Kevin Myers reported:

They had their first weather event on November 14th, all of the salt trucks were out about 3 a.m. that morning and were not aware of any slide offs or problems on the roads. Had problems with two of the older trucks that shut them down, but nothing major.

They have been crack sealing, patching, and taking every opportunity to work on gravels before the freeze.

Kevin attended the "2019 Damage Prevention Conference" last week in French Lick. Most of the subjects regarded safety policies for the employees. There is always room for improvement and we are actively trying to make sure we are doing everything we can.

There is a current call for 2024-25 for another federal aid bridge.

IN THE MATTER OF FUEL BIDS

The county received one fuel bid from Co-Alliance. Quote is for fixed price and a float price. The fixed price for gasoline for the quantity of 70,000 gallons is \$2.02 and fixed price for Diesel 100,000 gallons is \$2.48 for on road and off road. The float price for 70,000 gallons is \$1.84 and for Diesel 100,000 gallons is \$2.58 same for on road and off road. The recommendation from Mike Foster representative from Co-Alliance is to take the fixed rate. Mike announced he is retiring in January and Mark Ransom will take his place. Commissioner Shoemaker motion to take fix price for fuel for 2019 from Co-Alliance. Commissioner Woods seconded. Motion carried 3-0

IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS

Lisa Gray from Braden Business Systems here for a follow up after their presentation. Commissioner Shoemaker states that we have some concerns with the contract where it states that Braden may increase the Lease Payment on an annual basis, as much as 10% per year. Based on previous contracts like that, we end up losing all our cost savings and we cannot accept the agreement as is. Lisa states that line is redlined out. Tom Little request an addendum to be attached to contract for all the redlined areas to make it clear. Braden will follow up next week.

The Lease for Midwest for the Paul Phillippe equipment lease where the county acts as a pass through for their INDOT 5339 grant to be voted on and signed. Commissioner Woods motion to approve, Commissioner Shoemaker seconds. Motion carried 3-0.

There was some discussion between the Commissioners about where to put EMS station in northwest part of county. To either add on to Mulberry station or build new facility in Maddox Corner. It is Commissioner Uitts recommendation to work with Mulberry town Council and township trustees because we now have financial constraints because of overages of new EMS building on Jackson St. Mulberry is willing to help pay for this facility. Commissioner Woods made comments regarding the need for a station more centralized in the Northwest quadrant of the county based on the amount of runs per year in that area and the amount of time it takes to get to these areas to provide critical care. The response time is 4-6 minutes from Frankfort to these areas. Commissioner Shoemaker comments that his district does not have a 4-6 minute response time, the east side of county has approximately 9-11 minutes response time for ALS services. He would like to continue negotiations with Mulberry to add on the the station already there for estimated cost of \$40,000 versus \$300,000 that it would cost to build a new facility in Maddox Corner. Greg Miller added to the discussion by saying that most of the runs out of Rossville go to Lafayette or Kokomo not back to Frankfort taking that ALS ambulance out of service until it is able to return to our county. Volunteerism is lower than use to be and harder to staff ambulances out in the county. Funding needs to be a part of the discussion and with Mulberry willing to help fund this project seems to be a better option. Renee Crick added that our county is no different than any other county in that we shuffle ambulances wherever they need the coverage if other ambulances are out on calls. Mulberry and Rossville choose not to be dual dispatched with fire all other EMS calls are dual dispatched with fire department. Volunteers are just not available anymore. East side of county is a huge concern for response time. Saving money by working with Mulberry and being able to do something on the East side would provide better coverage and response time to all four quadrants of the county. Commissioner Uitts recommends before making any decisions that we talk to Mulberry to make sure they are willing to provide funding as they previously discussed and go from there.

IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner woods states that he would like to work with the city to help pay for more lighting around the square for holidays. City was spending \$6,000 and we would pay \$2,000 of that amount. Commissioner Shoemaker motions to approve spending for more lighting, Commissioner Woods seconds. Motion carried 3-0

IN THE MATTER OF DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Rodney Wann reports that the State Health Commissioner will be visiting on November 29, 2018.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Uitts reported:

Commissioner Shoemaker reported: That he met with fair council November 19th to discuss the 5% raise that was not approved by the county council for Bethany to take on the scheduling duties for the 4-H. A 2% increase was agreed on with the 3% wage increase given to all county employees, however Bethany agrees to take on the duties regardless of the increase. Commissioner Shoemaker will meet with council again to ask for the \$1,000 increase.

The Fair Council also asked for the liability insurance to be paid for by the county and not out of management funds. There is roughly \$6,000 left in that liability insurance line item, Cathy Hamilton will check to see if it is earmarked for use.

Commissioner Woods reported:

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Shoemaker moved to accept the November 5, 2018 minutes as presented. Commissioner Woods seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Woods moved to approve the following claims as submitted. Commissioner Shoemaker seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Friday claims dated November 9, 2018 in the amount of \$7,429.16

Friday claims dated November 16, 2018 in the amount of \$5,695.44

Court claims dated November 20, 2018 in the amount of \$4,635.40
Bi-weekly claims dated November 20, 2018 in the amount of \$294,212.12

IN THE MATTER OF PAYROLL

Commissioner Woods moved to approve the following payroll claims as submitted. Commissioners Shoemaker seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

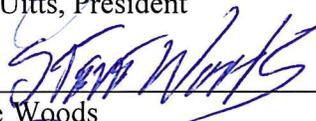
- Payroll ending November 9, 2018 in the amount \$365,622.08
- Payroll ending November 9, 2018 in the amount \$12,700.00
- Payroll ending October 26, 2018 in the amount of \$322.00
- Payroll ending October 26, 2018 in the amount of \$1,472.96

Without any further business to come before the Board Commissioner Uitts made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Commissioner Woods at 10:19 a.m. Motion carried 3-0.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLINTON COUNTY



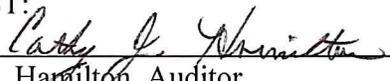
Josh Uitts, President



Steve Woods



Scott Shoemaker

ATTEST:


Cathy J. Hamilton, Auditor