



HENDRICKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 23, 2018 MEETING

The Hendricks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 in the Commissioners' Meeting Room located on the first floor of the Hendricks County Government Center at 355 S. Washington Street, Danville, IN 46122 with the following Hendricks County personnel in attendance:

Matthew D. Whetstone	Commissioner, President
Phyllis A. Palmer	Commissioner, Vice President
Bob Gentry	Commissioner
Mila M. Shaffer	Administration and Public Affairs
John Ayers	Engineer
Nancy Marsh	Auditor
Gregory E. Steuerwald	Attorney
Brett Clark	Sheriff
Erin Hughes	Human Resources Administrator
Kevin Cavanaugh	Facilities Manager
Doug Morris	I.T. Director
Dr. David Stopperich	Health Officer
Julie Haan	Environmental Health Director
Tammy Brinkman	Director of Public Health Nursing
Larry Scott	Assessor
Nicole Lawson	Chief Deputy Assessor
Shawn Shelley	Treasurer
Dave Richardson	Government Center Security
LaDonna Hughes	Animal Shelter Director/Chief Animal Control Officer
Dave Gaston	Surveyor
Curt Higginbotham	Highway Department Superintendent
Jeremy Weber	Parks and Recreation Superintendent
Bridgette Collins	Work Release Director
Karen Love	Superior Court No. 3 Judge
Jenny Stout	Superior Court No. 3 Office Manager

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG, PRAYER, AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Commissioner Whetstone opened the meeting at 9:00 AM with a quorum of all three (3) Commissioners present and led the Pledge to the Flag in unison. Commissioner Palmer gave a brief prayer for those who wished to participate.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS' WORKSHOP

Commissioner Whetstone advised the Commissioners' Workshop scheduled for 11:00 AM on January 23, 2018 was canceled.

IN THE MATTER OF EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

Commissioner Whetstone recessed to Meeting Rooms #4-5 to present the Employee Years of Service Awards to employees who achieved the designated five (5), ten (10), fifteen (15), twenty (20), twenty-five (25), thirty (30), and forty (40) years of service with Hendricks County during 2017 at 9:04 AM. The recipients were:

5 YEARS OF SERVICE – AWARDED WITH PLAQUES

Mark R. Chmielewski, Christine A. Cloud, Ray A. Cummings, Dixie K. Doub, Marilee A. Evans, Anthony K.

Goodpaster, Nathan R. Hibschan, Kasey R. Johnson, Kelly N. Manns, Christopher E. Meloy, Tamara L. Mottau, Nathan D. Phillips, Stephen V. Popcheff, Jayson R. Puckett (Qualified in 2016), Rebecca M. Robinson (Qualified in 2016), Dennis M. Sanchez, Karla J. Smith, Jarod D. Springman, Jordan A. Tremper, Joan M. Tucker, and Brian N. Woodard.

10 YEARS OF SERVICE – AWARDED WITH PLAQUES

Kristin E. Alosinac, Cheryl A. Bowman, Lindsey R. Calloway, Tonya A. Cottrell, Loren P. Delp, Tammy A. Dooley, Mary H. Holmes, James C. Holtscaw, LaDonna L. Hughes, Janice M. Leonard, Andrew C. Lillpop, Cheryl L. Koch, Mark E. Masterson, Sharon L. Mayer, Benjamin P. Neureiter, Patricia A. Parkins, Kristin L. Roahrig-Malloy, Carol M. Schuhler, Larry R. Scott, Lori A. Turpin, Jeanette L. Waterman, and Bradley S. Whicker.

15 YEARS OF SERVICE – AWARDED WITH PLAQUES

Lisa R. Chandler, Mark Grace, Faye Graves, Jennifer McKinney, Tamela D. Mitchell, Leanna Thomas, and Lori A. Tracey.

20 YEARS OF SERVICE – AWARDED WITH CRYSTAL BOWLS

James E. Bryan, Julie A. Haan, Cinda L. Kattau, Erin Hughes, William B. Marsh, Melody A. Sears, Deborah A. Truran, Kimberly A. Wilburn, and Jason A. Wright.

25 YEARS OF SERVICE - AWARDED WITH CLOCKS

Margaret T. Cope and Scott A. Larsen.

30 YEARS OF SERVICE - AWARDED WITH JACKETS

Cathy A. Burkert, Madonna J. Carroll, and Maribeth Daugherty.

40 YEARS OF SERVICE - AWARDED WITH A WATCH

Michael J. Alverson.

Commissioner Whetstone reconvened the Meeting at 9:22 AM.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the December 26, 2017 Commissioners' Meeting as amended. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0. Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Minutes of the January 9, 2018 Commissioners' Meeting as amended. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Commissioner Palmer moved to approve Check Numbers 110380 through 110388, Direct Deposit Check Numbers 160799 through 161280, and all Budgetary Claims presented from the Auditor's Office for the period beginning January 11, 2018 and ending January 24, 2018, dated January 24, 2018. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS 2019 GRANT APPROVAL LETTER

Bridgette Collins presented the Community Corrections 2019 Grant and Revised Collaboration Plan Approval Letter and requested approval to proceed with the application process.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Grant Approval Letter as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF AVI SERVICES AGREEMENT

Bridgette Collins reported Greg Steuerwald advised her there are a few items of the Agreement that need to be addressed and stated she would present the Agreement to the Commissioners on a later date.

IN THE MATTER OF INDIANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE INSTITUTE GRANT AGREEMENT

Judge Karen Love presented the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Title II Grant Agreement for the Hendricks County Juvenile Justice Jeopardy Diversion Program in the amount of \$20,200.00 and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Grant Agreement as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF SERVICES AS COUNTY ATTORNEY CONTRACT FOR 2018

Commissioner Whetstone presented Greg Steuerwald's Services as County Attorney Contract for 2018 and advised the terms of the Contract are the same as presented for 2017.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Contract as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 2-0-0; Commissioner Whetstone was excused due to a possible conflict of interest.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL

Commissioner Whetstone presented the One Beacon County Liability Insurance renewal applications received from John Parmley.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the renewal applications as presented. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF SHERIFF DEPARTMENT'S VEHICLE REQUESTS FOR 2018

Sheriff Brett Clark presented the Sheriff Department's vehicle requests for 2018 and requested approval to proceed with ordering ten (10) new and/or replacement vehicles at an approximate total cost of \$367,992.00. Two (2) of the vehicles will be the Chevrolet Tahoe to replace the current Dodge Durango used by the K9 Units, seven (7) will be the Dodge Charger {three (3) for the additional officers approved for 2018, three (3) for replacement vehicles, and one (1) to replace a Dodge Charger totaled in a recent accident}, and one (1) vehicle to replace a narcotics investigator's vehicle.

Commissioner Whetstone moved to approve the Sheriff's 2018 vehicle requests as presented. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF BRIDGE NO. 51, BRIDGE NO. 234, CLUVERT NO. GU-095, AND CULVERT NO. LB-039

John Ayers presented the Agreement for Engineering Services from SJCA, P.C. for Bridge No. 51 in the amount of \$107,261.00, the Agreement for Engineering Services from SCJA, P.C. for Culvert No. LB-039 in the amount of \$88,555.00, the Agreement for Engineering Services from United Consulting for Bridge No. 234 in the amount of \$171,900.00, and the Agreement for Engineering Services from United Consulting for Culvert No. GU-095 in the amount of \$119,300.00 and recommended approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the four (4) Agreements as presented. Commissioner Whetstone seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF BRIDGE NO. 43

John Ayers reported the opening of Bridge No. 43 on County Road 1000 E., just north of County Road 600 N., has been delayed due to weather and material issues and hopes to open the bridge soon. John Ayers advised Clark Dietz, the firm handling the construction inspection for the bridge, exceeded their estimated hours for the project and recommended approval of Clark Dietz's additional fees in the amount of \$7,800.00.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the additional fees for the project as presented. Commissioner Whetstone seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF RONALD REAGAN PARKWAY EXTENSION

John Ayers reported he and Commissioner Gentry met with American Structurepoint and several property owners on January 17, 2018 to explain the drainage design and design criteria the County is working under for the project. John Ayers stated it was explained the project is still in design and the property owners were advised the County would stay in contact throughout the process.

Commissioner Whetstone advised Greg Steuerwald is still researching eminent domain acquisition details in order to remain in compliance with Federal requirements and maintain Federal funding.

IN THE MATTER OF INDOT CRAWFORDSVILLE DISTRICT DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

John Ayers reported he and Commissioner Gentry will be meeting with Shane Spears, the new INDOT Crawfordsville District Deputy Commissioner, on January 26, 2018 at 3:00 PM.

IN THE MATTER OF GOVERNMENT CENTER SIGNAGE

Kevin Cavanaugh reported the signage consultant is working on the final round of changes received from the Signage Committee.

IN THE MATTER OF HENDRICKS COUNTY PERSONAL PROPERTY POLICY

Kevin Cavanaugh presented the amended Hendricks County Personal Property Policy and requested approval.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the Policy as amended. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF DISPOSAL OF FACILITIES DEPARTMENT'S OLD SNOW PLOWS

Kevin Cavanaugh presented a letter from the Amo Fire Department Chief, Dustin Strahl, requesting the three (3) old Facilities Department's snow plows be donated to the Amo Fire Department as they are of no use to the County since they've been replaced. Kevin Cavanaugh recommended approval of the interagency exchange.

Commissioner Whetstone moved to acknowledge the letter and approve the interagency exchange of the three (3) snow plows from the County to the Amo Fire Department. Commissioner Gentry seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF WABASH VALLEY POWER SUBSTATION

Commissioner Whetstone instructed Kevin Cavanaugh to research and find three (3) qualified appraisers to perform the appraisals required for the evaluation of the parcel Wabash Valley Power is requesting to purchase from the County for the proposed Wabash Valley Power Substation at the County's East Campus.

Commissioner Whetstone requested approval to select and execute contracts with two (2) of the three (3) appraisers recommended by Kevin Cavanaugh in order to proceed with the appraisal process.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve Commissioner Whetstone executing the contracts once the appraisal process is confirmed. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

IN THE MATTER OF HENDRICKS COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Commissioner Whetstone reported the Commissioners are looking for an individual to fill the vacancy.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY LABOR LAW ATTORNEY RECOMMENDATION

Erin Hughes requested a recommendation for a new County labor law attorney. Greg Steuerwald recommended the firm of Barnes & Thornburg to represent the County for labor law matters.

Commissioner Gentry moved to approve the firm of Barnes & Thornburg. Commissioner Whetstone seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY ATTORNEY

Greg Steuerwald reported he received the letter from Co-Alliance acknowledging the withdrawal of their fuel bids for 2018.

Greg Steuerwald reported there is a hearing regarding the failure of remonstrators to appeal the zoning decision of the Commissioners and the Development Plan approval of the Plan Commission on January 24, 2018.

IN THE MATTER OF WISHES TO BE HEARD

Nancy Luckett, a business Owner at 481 Southpoint Circle Suite 2 in Brownsburg, requested assistance with presenting a proposed ordinance for law of protection for animals in Hendricks County. Nancy Luckett stated Hendricks County does not have this ordinance in place now and advised animals froze to death during the recent frigid temperatures and wanted to know how to proceed with getting on the Agenda to present the proposal. Nancy Luckett advised a Marion County Animal Control Officer would like to come back and speak to the Commissioners regarding the matter.

Commissioner Whetstone advised the process would include discussions amongst the Commissioners, Greg Steuerwald, Animal Control, and the Sheriff to decide if they would like to proceed with the matter further; they have not gotten to this point and would contact Nancy Luckett with any further details. Commissioner Palmer advised the County has made substantial improvements to the Animal Shelter and to Animal Control and stated the current laws and ordinances in place cover animal abuse, cruelty, and inhumane treatment to animal claims in Hendricks County. When reported, these concerns are investigated in a timely manner.

IN THE MATTER OF QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

No items presented.

IN THE MATTER OF COMMISSIONERS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS

Commissioner Whetstone reported the investing of the Special Projects Fund, which has an approximate balance of \$198,000.00, was discussed during the Solid Waste Management District Board Meeting at 7:00 AM on January 23, 2018. Commissioner Whetstone advised any recommendations or requests for destruction of buildings/property be submitted to the Commissioners, in order to advise the Solid Waste Management District of the need to keep all or a portion of the Fund liquid, to assist with those matters. Commissioner Palmer advised there is a need to keep the reserves in this Fund because the matters normally arise without notice.

Commissioner Whetstone presented his Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for 2018.

Nancy Marsh reported there is now a link to the Indiana Transparency Portal on the County's Homepage.

Commissioner Whetstone reported the State Board of Accounts Exit Interview was held for the annual audit and stated the County's financial team did a fabulous job and the County received a clean bill of health.

IN THE MATTER OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORRESPONDENCE

STAFF REPORTS RECEIVED

1. Receipt was acknowledged for the I.T. Department report of January 22, 2018 from Doug Morris, I.T. Director.
 2. Receipt was acknowledged for the Human Resources report of January 8, 2018 through January 19, 2018 from Erin Hughes, Human Resources Administrator.
 3. Receipt was acknowledged for the weekly Highway Department reports of December 18, 2017 through December 22, 2017, December 24, 2017 through December 29, 2017, January 2, 2018 through January 5, 2018, and January 8, 2018 through January 12, 2018 from Curt Higginbotham, Highway Department Superintendent.
 4. Receipt was acknowledged for the County Treasurer's Monthly Report for the month ending December 31, 2017 from Shawn Shelley, Treasurer.
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CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

1. Memo from Paul Miner, Hendricks County Park Board.

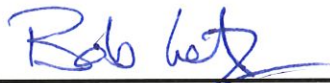
IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Gentry moved to adjourn the Hendricks County Commissioners' Meeting at 10:05 AM on Tuesday, January 23, 2018. Commissioner Whetstone seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously 3-0-0.

Matthew D. Whetstone, President



Phyllis A. Palmer, Vice President



Bob Gentry, Member