

**Commissioners Meeting
June 6, 2017**

Present: Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Larry Dale Kenney, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

Meeting was called to order by President Jim Seiler at 2:00 P.M.

Minutes

Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from May 2nd and May 16th as presented. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Logsdon made a motion to approve Batch #3574 and Batch#3580 as presented. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved. Logsdon made a motion to approve all claims paid since the last meeting. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported that the chip and seal crew is finishing the single layer chip and seal on CR 200N and plan to move to Highland Rd. tomorrow. The crew has been working on road prep for the bid packets. Bid packet #1 and #2 prep work is complete. Kenney, Gelarden, and Mullen have been working on completing bid packet #3 to be released. Kenney reported that he had the excavator he had mentioned at the last meeting at the shop for himself and some other operators to run and it seems like a very sound machine. He did get quotes on other comparable machines and found that this was the cheapest price. The excavator is a 2005 Cat M316C with 4800 hrs. and is owned by local company JBI, Inc. for \$38,500.00. Kenney requested permission to go ahead and purchase the excavator with special purchasing power. Attorney Lindsey stated that the special purchasing statute is 5-22-10-5 stating that the purchase can be made without a formal bidding process if there are quotes obtained and the purchase will reflect a significant savings compared to quotes for a similar item. The quotes presented showed the same model with 6400 hrs. for \$90,000.00, one with 7000 hrs. for \$45,000.00, and the final one had 5350 hrs. and was \$79,900.00. Logsdon made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2005 Cat M316C Excavator from JBI Construction through special purchasing powers according to the statute provided by Attorney Lindsey. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Logsdon stated that we need to complete the financial commitment letter from the board of commissioners and the letter of support from the county council for the Community Crossings Grant. The target date to submit the application is July 8th, so we need to make sure they are complete before then. Auditor Winkler stated that we should be able to complete both letters at the meeting on June 20th.

Sheriff McDurmon discussed with the board and Superintendent Kenney the issue with semi trucks driving on Fulda Shortcut and stated that he was told a Coca Cola truck makes a delivery back there. We have been getting complaints with semi's using that road, it's too narrow and the weight limit is not enough for that traffic. There are signs posted stating that. It was discussed that the truck should come in off 545 to make its deliveries, but it's a matter of catching them doing it.

Logsdon presented a Contract for Services with Indiana 15 for work on the Community Crossings Grant. Brown made a motion to approve the Contract for Services with Indiana 15. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Brown stated he wanted to schedule a work session to look at the bridge report in the near future. It was decided to come in a little early for a few meetings and discuss the report.

Kay Erwin – Property Complaint

Erwin stated that the building inspector checked out the property in Midway and felt that the roof was the main concern due to it being loose and flopping. The building inspector has spoken with the property owner who stated he will get it fixed. A 30 day deadline was given to the property owner or we will proceed with the next step. Deadline is June 30, 2017.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented Ordinance 2017-02 declaring and confirming that the AK Steel Rockport Works Economic Development Area be terminated for second reading. Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance 2017-02 on second reading and terminate the AK Steel TIF district. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved with Logsdon opposed.

Lindsey presented some draft RFP's for commissioner consideration and input. The first RFP is for landscape maintenance and Lindsey asked that they look over the terms and specifics to ensure it includes all work they wish to be completed and the time frame. Seiler stated that he feels we have a wonderful maintenance man and that he could complete the work. Auditor Winkler stated that he doesn't have the necessary equipment and it was discussed that those items could be purchased. Logsdon suggested that community service individuals could be used to assist with the task. The second RFP was for snow removal as needed. Currently Walt Robinson has been doing the sidewalks and contracting a local farmer for the parking lot clearing. It was discussed if there are a certain number of inches required before hiring someone to clear or how it is handled. Auditor Winkler stated that currently a decision is made just based off the individual situation. Lindsey stated that he will also be drafting an RFP for website upgrade, but has not completed that yet.

We hope to have appraisals for the Troy Refinery property complete by July.

New Business

Murray Stout – Emergency Ambulance Service

Stout came before the board to explain the need for an ambulance remount and there is currently a 10 month waiting list. We try to always budget our remounts and spread them out, but if we wait till next year to start the process and they are 10 months out we are looking at 2019 before we receive our remount. The truck has 251,000 miles and almost 10,500 hours on it, so things are starting to go wrong. They have a truck chassis in stock and if we purchase the chassis portion now they will go ahead and put us on the list. Then we will pay the balance of the remount when the ambulance is complete. The chassis itself is \$45,119.00 with a total remount cost of \$146,830.00. So we would be responsible for the \$45,119.00 at time of purchase and pay \$101,711.00 at completion. Stout stated that they would contact local banks and get rate quotes for the remaining \$101,711.00 balance to pay over 3 years like we have been doing previously. It was discussed where the funding should come from for the chassis and Auditor Winkler stated she would work with the council to make sure it was requested from what fund they preferred. It is past the June deadline for additional, so the additional appropriation request will be for the July 18th meeting. Seiler will sign off on the additional appropriation request.

Letter of Resignation – Jeffery Heathman

Seiler presented a letter of resignation from Jeffery Heathman from the Veteran Service Officer position due to health issues. Heathman has stated that he will stay for 2 more weeks. Logsdon made a motion to accept the letter of resignation. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Leased Land

Lindsey presented an Agricultural Risk Coverage document for the land we are currently leasing to Roger Hurm. This is a standard approval every year. Logsdon made a motion to approve the Agricultural Risk Coverage for Roger Hurm. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Old Business

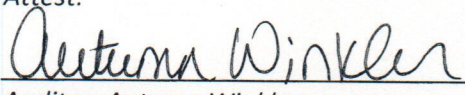
Brown stated he spoke with Sheriff McDurmon and the Health Dept. and deputies will haul in animals to the Animal Shelter when a dog bite incident has occurred, but it will not be top priority if something else is going on.

Brown made a motion to adjourn. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:03 P.M.



President

Attest:


Auditor, Autumn Winkler

