

**Commissioners Reorganizational Meeting
January 5, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Auditor Autumn Winkler, Attorney Jeff Lindsey

Meeting was called to order by Auditor Winkler at 1:15 P.M.

President

First order of business was nominations for President. Gogel made a motion to nominate Al Logsdon for President. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved. The meeting was turned over to President Logsdon.

Vice-President

Gogel made a motion to appoint Jim Seiler as Vice-President. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion approved.

Attorney

Seiler made a motion to appoint Jeff Lindsey as Attorney. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Courthouse Custodian/Maintenance Supervisor

Seiler made a motion to nominate Jeffrey Joiner as Courthouse Custodian/Maintenance Supervisor. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Veterans Service Officer

Gogel made a motion to appoint Dean Knepper as Veterans Service Officer. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Highway Superintendent

Seiler made a motion to appoint Dale Kenney as Highway Superintendent. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Highway Assistant Superintendent

Gogel made a motion to appoint Jason Chapman as Highway Assistant Superintendent. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Chip and Seal Foreman

Gogel made a motion to appoint Max Talbott as Chip and Seal Foreman. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Cum Bridge Foreman

Seiler made a motion to appoint Charles Mike Lee as Cum Bridge Foreman. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Highway Administrator

Gogel made a motion to appoint Cindy Painter as Highway Administrator. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Road Clerk

Seiler made a motion to appoint Kay Erwin as Road Clerk. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Building Commissioner

Seiler made a motion to appoint Phil Brown as Building Inspector. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Assistant Building Inspector

Gogel made a motion to appoint Darren Ewing as Assistant Building Inspector. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

EMA Advisory Board (Commissioner Member)

Seiler made the motion to appoint David Gogel as the EMA Advisory Board Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Indiana Region 15 (Commissioner Member)

Gogel made the motion to appoint Al Logsdon as the Indiana Region 15 Commissioner Member. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

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Child Protective Services (Commissioner Member)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Jim Seiler as the Child Protective Services Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

LEDC (Commissioner Member)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Jim Seiler as the LEDC Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

LEDC Joint Appointment with Council

Gogel made a motion to appoint Larry Harlen as the LEDC Joint Appointment with Council. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Chamber of Commerce (Commissioner Member)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Jim Seiler as the Chamber of Commerce Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Advisory Plan (Commissioner Member)

Seiler made a motion to appoint David Gogel as the Advisory Plan Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Advisory Plan (1 Citizen Members)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Frank Ingram to the Advisory Plan Commission. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Board of Zoning Appeals

No appointments needed.

Solid Waste Board (Incorporated Town Board Member)

Seiler made a motion to appoint Kim Litkenhus to the Solid Waste Board as the Incorporated Town Board Member. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

American Disabilities (Commissioner Member)

Seiler made a motion to appoint Al Logsdon as the American Disabilities Commissioner Member. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Interlocal Board (Commissioner Member)

Seiler made a motion to appoint David Gogel to the Interlocal Board as the Commissioner Member. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

ABC Board

Seiler made a motion to appoint Tom Fleischman to the ABC Board. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Tourism Commission (2 members)

Seiler made a motion to appoint Kendell Thompson and Carol Troesch to the Tourism Commission. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

PTABOA (2 members)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Donna Burrows and Ron Magnus to the PTABOA. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Spencer County Animal Control Board (Commissioner Member)

Seiler made a motion to appoint David Gogel as the Commissioner Member to the Animal Control Board. Logsdon seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Spencer County Animal Control Board (Humane Society Member)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Joy Zook as the Humane Society Member to the Spencer County Animal Control Board. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Spencer County Animal Control Board (Rural at Large Member)

Gogel made a motion to appoint Susan Waterman as the Rural at Large Member of the Spencer County Animal Control Board. Seiler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Hearing Impaired

Seiler made a motion to appoint Kermitt Lindsey to the Hearing Impaired Board. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

LTRSD

Gogel made a motion to appoint Beth Packer to the Luce Township Regional Sewer District. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Port Authority (2 members)

Seiler made a motion to appoint Jason Toler and Jim Stokes to the Port Authority. Gogel seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, motion was approved.

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from November 17th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Logsdon stated he felt that under Highway report where it discusses Hassfurth that it should state Hassfurth Hill on 1850N. Auditor Winkler will add that terminology.

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from December 9th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Executive Session Minutes – 2015

Gogel made a motion to approve the executive session minutes for all of 2015 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Hwy Report

Kenney reported they are cleaning up debris and wash outs from high water. He also stated that the river bottoms are in horrible condition and asked about the possibility of temporarily closing river road and the access roads to the river bottoms to hopefully prevent much more extensive damage to the roads. Each Spring requires lots of time spent in the bottoms trying to repair roads for farmers to reach their fields. Lindsey suggested a motion to temporarily close the roads. After review it was determined the following roads would be included in the temporary closing:

300S east of 50W

300S to 440S

560S

500S

200W south of 440S

100W south of 50W

440S east of 231

Seiler made a motion to temporarily close the above listed roads to public traffic. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney reported they have estimates on high water signs that are hinged and can just be folded down when needed. Logsdon asked if they have funds available to purchase these signs and Kenney stated they do.

Kenney informed the board they have a CPR and First Aid Training scheduled for January 11th at 7:30 a.m. This class will be available to all Highway Dept employees.

Kenney stated they were still having lots of issues with the 3 International Tandem Dump Trucks and asked the commissioners to consider the possibility of trading them in. Kenney provided service records for all the maintenance that has been required on these trucks and he feels they will continue to have issues. There was discussion about the possibility of not purchasing 3 new trucks all at once, but using some sort of rotation. Will we be able to use the beds off our old trucks on new chassis, what all options do we have? Logsdon asked ballpark figure, what would 3 new chassis cost? Chapman stated about \$300,000.00, they run about \$100,000.00 a piece. If we need to purchase new beds that would be an additional \$30,000.00-\$40,000.00. Kenney and Chapman will get quotes and more information to discuss at a later date.

Logsdon asked Kenney to speak with Cindy and make a determination on how much fuel should be fixed price and how much flex. Last year we did about ½ at a fixed price and we need to consider doing that again. Gogel made a motion to sit down with Cindy and try to determine how much we should lock in for a fixed price. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

ADA Coordinator

Gogel asked Phil Brown about the ADA Coordinator position and Brown stated he was going to ask them if Jason Chapman was going to do it or if it was still him. Chapman stated he did not have time to do that position, but would assist Brown with the duties. Gogel made a motion to appoint Phil Brown as the ADA Coordinator. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Logsdon asked Lindsey if he has any new information on the stop/yield signs at railroad crossings. Which sign should be posted? Lindsey stated he did not have any new information at this time and plans to have a full report at the next meeting.

Lindsey stated they did meet again about the Dust Reduction Ordinance and has another draft for commissioner review. He will put a section in about fines for not following the ordinance, but needs recommendations on what the fine amounts should be. Logsdon stated that the ordinance should be reviewed by all parties and any needed changes reported to Lindsey, so the ordinance can be finalized at the next meeting.

Lindsey presented an annual contract for commissioner approval. The contract will be for his services in 2016. Seiler made a motion to approve the annual contract. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented a Summary of Services rendered for December 2015.

Claims

Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3266 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Old Business

Pay Schedule

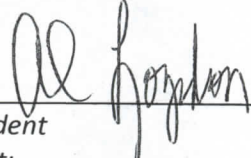
Auditor Winkler informed the board that one of the paydays listed on the previously approved 2016 pay schedule has been moved, due to falling on a holiday. Winkler presented a corrected 2016 pay schedule that moves the 23rd pay from November 11th to November 10th. Gogel made a motion to approve the 2016 revised pay schedule. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.


New Business


Meeting Days and Times

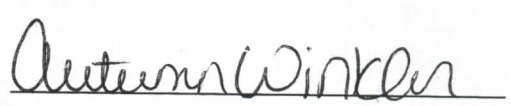
Logsdon stated that in the county council re-organization meeting Blake Bunner was appointed to the insurance committee which normally meets on the 3rd Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. Due to Bunner's work schedule he is only able to attend afternoon meetings, so council President Spaetti asked Logsdon if it would be possible to start scheduling insurance committee meetings at 3:00 or 3:30 pm. Logsdon stated that we would do everything we could to accommodate Bunner's schedule. Logsdon requested changing the commissioner meeting time to 12:00 pm to ensure that the meeting is completed in time for a 3:30 pm insurance committee meeting. Winkler asked if this would only be for the meetings on the 3rd Tuesday and Logsdon stated no his request is to schedule all commissioner meetings at 12:00 pm. Due to changing the meeting time for commissioner meetings the drainage board meetings will now be scheduled at 11:30 am. All meetings will still be scheduled on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of every month. Seiler made a motion to set the 2016 meeting days and times. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 2:38 P.M.



President
Attest:






**Commissioners Meeting
January 19, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Larry Dale Kenney, Jason Chapman, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 12:00 P.M.

Minutes

No minutes presented.

Highway Report

Kenney reported they are busy pre-treating roads and getting plows on trucks preparing for the impending weather.

The high water and road closed barricades that were recently ordered have come in. Some are for the Hwy. Dept. and some were ordered for EMA.

CPR training classes have been completed and a makeup day is being scheduled for any employees that were unable to attend.

Kenney reported that he spoke with Cindy Painter about locking in fuel prices and both were in agreement that they should wait to lock in prices, due to prices still falling. Logsdon stated that he spoke to Painter and she informed him that Synenergy advised us to not lock in prices yet.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented Ordinance 2016-01 Dust Reduction for first reading. This ordinance has been in discussion and the final revisions made were level of fines. Seiler made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-01 for first reading. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey reported that we needed to amend the ordinance we have in place regarding stop signs at railroad crossings to state that yield signs should be obeyed. The railroad instructed us to remove our stop signs at all Norfolk Southern crossings. Lindsey will revise the ordinance to state that yield signs should be obeyed at Norfolk Southern intersections.

Troy Refinery

Lindsey reported that he spoke with Calvin Cash from Cash Wagner regarding the chain of title needed for the Quiet Title Action. Lindsey will begin the Quiet Title Action before the next meeting.

911 Lease Agreement

Gogel asked Lindsey about the financing for the AT&T 911 lease agreement and why we haven't had to take action on anything yet. Lindsey reported that the bank had contacted him wondering if we still intend to finance through them and Lindsey informed them that we have not been required to sign a contract as of yet. McDurmon stated that his employees in dispatch have been in communication with AT&T and they have assured us that we are not being charged anything currently and will not be charged, until they are at a point where they can install the new system. We will sign a contract and be required to pay at that time.

Lindsey reported that he sent a letter to Liebermann Technology regarding a camera at the jail that is not working properly. The videoconferencing system at the jail is a mobile unit that is kept in the closet and rolled out when needed. When the system was installed the camera was just set on top of a television screen, which resulted in the camera falling off, hitting the concrete floor and getting broke. Liebermann was contacted to come replace the camera and when doing so zip tied the new camera to the cart. The jail is still having issues with the camera not working, so Attorney Lindsey sent them a letter stating the need for the camera to be fixed properly. Liebermann tried to push it off on the manufacturer of the camera, but the camera is not the problem, it's the installation. Liebermann has contacted Lindsey and informed him a repair tech would be contacting him to discuss the issue. Lindsey has not heard from the repair tech yet.

McDurmon discussed with the commissioners his interest in leasing the basement of the old Integra Bank building from Bob Arnold for storage of old records. Lease for the storage space will be \$250.00/month and McDurmon will find funds to pay this lease for a year. If it's decided to continue to lease the space, McDurmon will request a line in his 2017 budget to fund it. Logsdon mentioned the discussion in previous years about building a pole barn type building on the lot next to the jail for storage and possible office space. It was discussed that McDurmon would work with Gogel and other possible interested parties to look into what the need and cost of a building would be. Building a new structure is totally contingent on the old jail being removed. At this time, we are not sure what the exact cost of demolish and cleanup for the old jail will be. McDurmon will only retain what records and evidence is necessary and will destroy the rest. He will research different options and costs for destroying the unnecessary documents and materials.

Lindsey presented a conflict of interest statement for commissioner approval for Ken Schaaf. This document is approved by the commissioners annually. Gogel made a motion to approve the conflict of interest statement for Ken Schaaf. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Community Corrections

Dick Hedrick came to present the Application for Problem-Solving Court Certification grant. This particular grant requires that they re-certify every 3 years. Individuals from the Indiana Judicial Center will be coming down on Feb. 16th and 17th to attend drug court and interview county employees that assists with this grant. Hedrick explained the details and requirements of the grant and requested commissioner approval. Seiler made a motion to approve the grant Application for Problem-Solving Court Certification. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. The second grant presented by Hedrick was the Adult Community Based Supervision Grant for FY 2017. Hedrick explained that this is a collaboration grant with Community Corrections, Probation, Judge, and Prosecutor. Hedrick informed the board of new requests they are making with this grant and all the details involved. This grant is the second year of a two year grant. Most items listed in the budget are the same as previous year, but Hedrick did point out what items were listed as new requests. Gogel made a motion to approve the Adult Community Based Supervision Grant. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Old Business

Diane Chapman – CR 100 W

Chapman came before the board in 2015 expressing her concerns with flooding around her home and getting trapped in when back water is up. Chapman is south of SR 62 behind the Coon Hunters Club. Chapman expressed that a main concern is that down the hill past CR 1100 it floods all the time, even when we have had very little rain. When the water is up she cannot get out from any direction. Logsdon explained that we have an operator that does a wonderful job running an excavator and that we will have the highway dept look into her area and see if the possibility is there to dig out ditches to assist with the problem. He explained that due to impending bad weather it may be a week or so before anyone could get out there to investigate, but he will make sure they do and call her when they report to him.

Roberts Rule of Order Modified

Gogel made a motion to approve Roberts Rule of Order Modified. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

New Business

OCRA Grant

Logsdon reported that he was contacted by Lisa Gehlhausen with Indiana 15 and she wanted to schedule a public hearing for March 1st at 12:30 P.M. for the Jail Demolition Project.

Re-Appointment Health Board

Gogel made a motion to re-appoint William Young to the Health Board. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

2016 Infinity Voting System Agreement

Seiler made a motion to approve the annual maintenance agreement. Gogel seconded the motion, motion approved.

Hoesli – Courthouse Generator

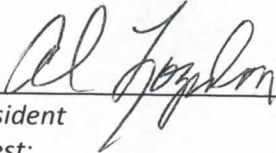
Melton ordered a new generator for the courthouse from Hoesli and was under the impression from the quote that delivery and setup were included in the price. When we received the bill it was for more than anticipated due to delivery and setup. Auditor Winkler presented the bill only to make the board aware of the additional expense. Seiler made a motion to approve paying the bill even though it was more than expected. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Additional Appropriation - Gogel made a motion to advertise the additional appropriation needed for the grant match on the jail project. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Meeting Date

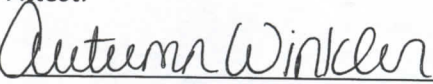
Logsdon requested the first meeting in February be changed to February 1st instead of the 2nd. This is the only day that week that he is available to meet. Seiler made a motion to move the February 2nd meeting to February 1st. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:41 P.M.



President



Attest:


Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
February 1, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Dale Kenney, Jason Chapman, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 12:00 P.M.

Minutes

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Claims

Gogel made a motion to approve Batch #3276. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Hwy Report

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Quiet Title Action – Troy Refinery

Lindsey reported he has the quiet title action drafted and about ready to file. This will be filed against Freeman Cline, which we can serve personally if we know where he is or by publication if we cannot locate him. Lindsey requested an Executive Session be scheduled to discuss the status and how he anticipates this going. Logsdon stated we can schedule an Executive Session on February 16th at 11:45 a.m. before the regularly scheduled commissioner meeting and asked Auditor Winkler to put it on the agenda.

2016 Election

Lindsey explained that Clay 1 polling location has in previous years been held at Heritage Hills Baptist Church and they have requested to no longer be a polling location. This brought up the discussion of polling locations for Clay 1-3 and Carter 4. After looking at different locations it was decided that all 4 precincts could be moved to one polling location at the Santa Claus Community Center. Seiler made a motion to approve having one polling location for Clay 1-3 and Carter 4 at the Santa Claus Community Center. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey mentioned that the 1st scheduled commissioner meeting for May falls on May 3rd, which is the Primary Election Day and the courthouse will be closed. Gogel made a motion to move the May 3rd meeting to May 4th. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Old Business

Sheriff McDurmon stated that they will be leasing the basement from Martin-Serrin for storage space and he needs a lease agreement drafted by Attorney Lindsey. Lindsey asked McDurmon if he is moving everything, if not he needs to coordinate with the Prosecutor on his items. McDurmon stated he is not moving everything and will contact the Prosecutor about all the files and evidence that belong to him.

Township Cemetery

Logsdon brought up the discussion from a few months back about individuals being buried in township trustee cemeteries without giving any notice, purchasing a plot or contacting anyone. A township trustee had contacted him about this concern and what steps could be taken to address it. Logsdon will contact the local funeral homes and make sure they contact the appropriate person before completing a burial.

Spencer County Library Board Re-Appointment

Bobbie Wood with the Spencer County Library Board has sent a letter requesting the re-appointment of David Taylor to the board for another 4 year term. Taylor's term will be from 1/1/16 to 12/31/19. Seiler made a motion to re-appoint David Taylor to the Spencer County Library Board for a 4 year term. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

New Business

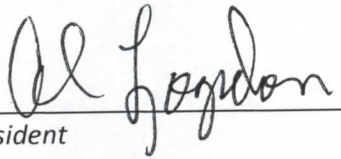
Seiler expressed a concern about oak trees we have in the county that are infected with disease and falling. Seiler has been working with the Highway Dept and has gone out with them to investigate trees. He feels that we need to take action on these trees and try to remove as many as we can, before they fall. This can cause a huge hazard if trees are falling across roadways. Seiler stated we need to get bids out to remove the trees or start doing it ourselves, but his recommendation is bidding it out. Chapman stated that we need to have the employees that are cutting brush back make note of where the infected dead trees are so we can compile a list. Logsdon stated that was a good idea and when they get this information they can make it part of the Highway Report.

Courthouse Security


Sheriff McDurmon, Judge Dartt, and Deputy Harold Gogel came before the board to discuss courthouse security and the progress so far. Gogel is actively in the courthouse full-time from 7:30 to 4:30 every day. His primary duty is courtroom security, but when court is not in session he is patrolling the courthouse. Gogel expressed some concerns about not having an SOP for courthouse security and asked Attorney Lindsey to look into getting one. Gogel has introduced himself to each office and makes his presence known. He informed the commissioners that he previously had a first responder certification and expressed that he felt that might be something beneficial for him to obtain again. He also mentioned that although some drills are practiced at the courthouse an active shooter drill has never been done and he feels this would be a very beneficial drill for employees and local emergency departments. These types of drills have been performed at local schools. Logsdon asked Judge Dartt if he has court scheduled every day and he stated yes, but there are times when court ends early and during that time Gogel has been

working on other projects, such as the metal detector and security cameras. There are updated security systems that would allow Gogel to remotely monitor all cameras from an Ipad or some type of mobile device even while in the courtroom. There are many items to address and a meeting is needed to just discuss courthouse security. Logsdon suggested that everyone meet on February 16th at 11:00 a.m. before the executive session. All were in agreement that they would make sure to attend that meeting.

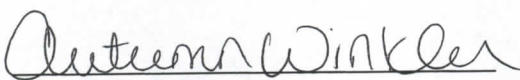
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M.



President



Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
February 16, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Jim Seiler, Al Logsdon, Dale Kenney, Jason Chapman, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

The meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 12:04 P.M.

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from January 19, 2016. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney stated that they are working on installing the railroad tank car up on Long Johnnytown Road and ditching out. The bridge deck on CR 400N west of 800 W, Bridge #65, needs to be replaced. Kenney presented paperwork from a company that we have used in the past for bridge deck replacement. The quote provided includes everything except labor to remove a concrete deck and install a steel one. Seiler asked if this is the only company that does this and suggested we check with another vendor. Attorney Lindsey stated we could put out a request for proposal. Kenney stated he did not know of any other vendors that do the steel grating and they requested a quote from this company, because this is who we have used in the past. They have completed 46 bridges for us so far. Lindsey stated he feels it should be opened up for bid. This is a large sum of money and we need to see what other companies would be interested in bidding. Gogel asked if they needed to make a motion directing Kenney to put it out for bid. Lindsey stated no, they just needed to give them that direction and that running it in the local paper one time would be sufficient. They were also instructed to contact any company that they thought might have interest in bidding.

Kenney reported that the MVH distribution was down this month by \$34,000.00 compared to last year at this time. We have not received an explanation at this time for the reduction. Chapman mentioned safety apparel and Lindsey stated that these are federal rules and that the crew at the highway dept. just needs to be told that we have to follow these rules. Chapman has researched the OSHA rules and determined what rules we have to abide by. Lindsey stated he does not feel there is any further action that the commissioner's need to take. Kenney and Chapman need to make the crew aware of what the rules are and that they have to comply with those rules. The rules they will need to follow are: wearing a reflective vest, hard hat, safety glasses, steel toed boots, and ear plugs as needed. Chapman reported he checked with Krutz Shoes on a price for steel toed boots. Some employees are currently wearing them, but not all. We provide all necessary safety equipment, except steel toed boots, so discussion came up about providing an allowance towards the boots. Chapman stated that he feels an employee should be able to get 2 years of use out of a pair of boots. The average cost for a good pair of boots is around \$150.00. After much discussion, it was decided to give each employee a \$100.00 allowance towards boots every 2 years. This allowance will come from the uniform line in the Highway budget. Seiler made a motion to give \$100.00 allowance every 2 years for boots and for it to be paid from the uniform line. Each employee must submit a claim with receipt for reimbursement. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Logsdon suggested that Kenney and Chapman or at least one of them attend Road School at Purdue March 8-10. He feels this will be very beneficial to them, Gogel agrees.

Gogel stated he feels we need to lock some fuel in. We do not want to get greedy and prices go up. Gogel suggests locking in ½ of our fuel supply, Seiler suggested ¾ be locked in. Chapman will call Cindy Painter and have her get prices on locking in today. We will discuss again later when we get numbers from her.

Legal ReportOrdinance 2016-02

Lindsey stated that he spoke with Chris Middleton, our insurance agent about the traffic signs at railroad crossings and she suggested that we have the same sign at all crossings. This will change all the signs on Hoosier Southern crossings from stop signs to yield signs. Logsdon suggested contacting Hoosier Southern to get their opinion on yield signs, Lindsey will contact them. Gogel made a motion to table the second reading of Ordinance 2016-02 for further discussion. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Sheriff Lease

Lindsey presented a one year lease for commissioner approval. This lease is for storage space at the old Integra Bank building at a rate of \$250.00/month for a one year period. This lease is drafted very similar to the leases we have on other properties. This lease can be terminated early with a 90 day written notice. Seiler made a motion to direct Lindsey to proceed with the lease agreement between Sheriff McDurmon and Martin-Serrin for storage space. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Jail Camera

Lindsey has been in discussion with Liebermann Technology about the broken camera at the jail and an agreement has finally been reached that Liebermann will send us a check for \$3,075.90 if we are willing to no longer hold them liable. We can use the money to purchase a new camera from whomever we choose and have it installed. Gogel made a motion to approve the general lease from Liebermann to receive payment for the damaged camera. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Ordinance 2016-03

Lindsey presented an ordinance for first reading stating that we will adopt Internal Control Standards. State Board of Accounts is requiring government entities to adopt internal control standards to audit records. This is an ordinance committing to starting that process. Gogel made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2016-03. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Chapman reported back with fuel prices.

FIRM

Gas – \$1.36/gallon

Fuel : On-road - \$1.469 end of August \$1.539 end of December

Off-road - \$1.302 end of August \$1.372 end of December

FLEX Price is only guaranteed for 1 hour

Gas – \$1.26

Fuel: On-road – \$1.30

Off-road - \$1.14

Gogel made a motion to lock in ½ of the remaining supply for the year for the firm price. Seiler was opposed and wanted to lock in more. Seiler made a motion to lock in ¼ of the remaining supply for the firm price. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal ReportWTH Agreements

Lindsey presented two WTH Electronic Map Data Application Agreements for commissioner approval. These are the standard agreements supplied by WTH. The first agreement is with Talperion, Inc. and the second agreement is with Louis Berger. Gogel made a motion to approve both Electronic Map Data Application Agreements. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Troy Refinery

Lindsey reported he filed the Quiet Title Action today.

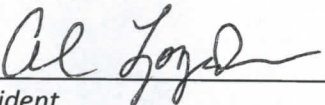
New Business

Gogel mentioned that he thinks we need to advertise to bump the Cum Bridge Rate up like we have in the past few years. We will raise it to the maximum amount and then lower it at budget time to whatever rate we can afford. We must advertise and hold a public hearing to raise the rate. Gogel made a motion to advise the legal counsel to begin the process of increasing the Cum Bridge rate. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

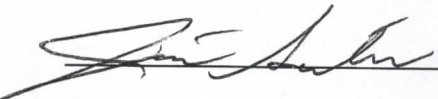
Indiana 15 Invoice

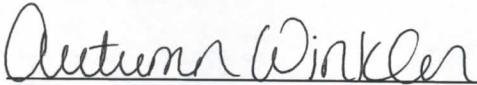
Gogel made a motion to instruct the Auditor's office to pay the invoice for Indiana 15 as soon as the additional appropriation is received. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:21 P.M.



President
Attest:







**Commissioners Meeting
March 1, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Jim Seiler, Al Logsdon, Dale Kenney, Jason Chapman, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon 12:00 P.M.

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the February 1, 2016 minutes as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Seiler made a motion to approve Batch #3287. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve Batch #3283. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported they picked up the remaining 75 ton of salt from Mulzer Crushed Stone. A railroad tanker was delivered today to replace a culvert. They will be working on getting that installed. Kenney informed the board they have been given the opportunity to purchase a Roller they have been looking at. The roller is a 2008 Volvo DD 118 HF with a Cummins 4.5 liter in it. It has approximately 1900 hours on it and is a double drum vibratory system that is 78 ½" wide. This piece of equipment has been used by Rudolph equipment and will come with all maintenance documents. Kenney, Chapman, and the employee that runs the roller went to look at it and test drive it. All were in agreement that it was a good machine. The purchase price for this machine is \$32,000.00. Kenney reported they got quotes on a new machine and they are in the range from \$150,000.00 - \$175,000.00. To lease this equipment costs \$5,000 to \$6,000 per month. Chapman stated they spoke to the person that has done maintenance on this machine and he informed them it is a good machine and most hoses are new. This roller will greatly help them during paving season. Kenney reported they have the money in the budget to make this purchase.

Gogel made a motion to approve the Spencer County Highway Department purchase the 2008 Volvo DD 118 HF Roller from J.H. Rudolph for \$32,000.00 without bids or quotes under IC 5-22-10-5, special purchasing methods for the following reasons:

- 1) The purchase provides a highly unique opportunity to obtain that equipment at substantial savings to Spencer County Highway Department.
 - a. The Roller is in outstanding condition.
 - b. New Rollers cost in excess of \$150,000.00
 - c. Used Rollers in much worse condition are \$50,000.00 or more.
- 2) Competition is not possible because the seller wants to dispose of it immediately and has given us a quick deadline time to respond.
 - a. The seller wants an answer by 5pm this evening.
 - b. The seller is only disposing of it because the turning mechanism is not suitable for use on new pavement but is suitable for our needs because we need it on gravel, not pavement.
- 3) The purchase of the Roller satisfies a desperate need for the department, as a Roller is a critical part of the work we are scheduled to do this summer and the current Roller we have is in the shop for repairs more than it is in use.

Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney reported that all employees that needed steel toed boots have gone to Krutz Boots and taken care of getting some. One employee, Jeffrey Phillips had purchased a pair at Krutz Boots in December of 2015 and Kenney asked for commissioner approval to allow Phillips to turn in a receipt for reimbursement of \$100.00, due to it being so close to the implementation of the boot allowance. Gogel made a motion to approve the reimbursement to Jeffrey Phillips for boot allowance. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Logsdon stated that we need to take action on the two roads we wish to add to the CEDIT Plan. Gries Road and CR 600E from Gries Road to CR 2100N need to be added. Seiler made a motion to add Gries Rd. and CR 600E to the CEDIT plan. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney reported they are trying to get bid specs together to possibly bid out for new trucks. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

Gogel stated that when we got bids for gravel, we received prices for having gravel hauled and spread for us. Mulzer Crushed Stone was awarded the bid and their price to haul and spread was very reasonable. Gogel suggested we look into having them do some hauling for us during our busy times or when we are not capable of doing the work. Kenney stated it would help them out and they will look into it.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented Ordinance 2016-03 Internal Control Standards for 2nd reading. Gogel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-03 on 2nd reading. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

McDurmon presented a lease agreement with Martin – Serrin for commissioner approval. They had to redo the previously approved lease agreement to fix typographical errors. Seiler made a motion to approve the lease agreement. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Public Hearing – Jail Clearance Project

Lisa Gehlhausen with Indiana Region 15 asked for authorization to take minutes at the Public Hearing. Gogel made a motion to authorize President Al Logsdon to give authorization to Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission to record the minutes of any public hearing or meeting at the local, state, or federal level. To obtain any information or comments regarding the blight clearance program, grant application and project for clearance of the former jail. The minutes will become part of the permanent record of this project and will be available to the public upon request. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

The following are important dates for the clearance project:

March 21st – Pre-bid meeting 1:00 pm

March 29th – Bid Opening 11:00 am

April 5th - Award Bid

Gogel made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing at 1:13 pm. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Lindsey stated he is still researching the specifics on the ordinance for the railroad signs. He spoke with an employee of Hoosier Southern, who stated that he agrees that all signs should be uniform across the county and they are ok with us changing their crossings to yield signs as long as they don't have to pay for it. Lindsey will complete the ordinance listing all crossings.

Lindsey presented amended Mowing Bid specs for commissioner approval. We will release for bid and have the bid opening on March 15th at 1:30 pm. Gogel made a motion to approve the amended bid specs. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented a Notice to Taxpayers of Hearing on Proposed Cumulative Bridge Fund rate. A public hearing for the Cumulative Bridge fund rate will be held on March 15th at 1:30 pm.

Lindsey presented a Conflict of Interest for approval between Kenneth Schaaf and Lincoln Heritage Public Library. Seiler made a motion to approve the conflict of interest. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented a Notice to Voters of polling locations for approval. Gogel made a motion to approve the polling locations. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented Resolution 2016-01 to close the Spencer County Courthouse to the public on March 22nd from 8 am - 12 pm for active shooter training. Gogel made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-01 closing the courthouse to the public. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

New Business

Gogel stated he received a request from the Spencer County Animal Control to build a small fence at their facility to take the animals out in for exercise. They have volunteers willing to construct the fence for them; they just want commissioner approval before proceeding. Gogel made a motion to approve the installation of a fence at the animal control shelter. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Gogel made a motion to adjourn. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:26 P.M.



President
Attest:





Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
March 15, 2016**

Present: David Gogel, Al Logsdon, Jim Seiler, Dale Kenney, Jason Chapman, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Autumn Winkler

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 12:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

No minutes were presented.

Highway Report

Kenney presented the MVH distribution for commissioner review. Logsdon introduced Mr. & Mrs. Gourley who own property on CR 850 N. The Gourley's are looking into purchasing more land on this county road, but are curious about the road condition and who is responsible for maintaining it. They do not live on this road and only use their property for recreational purposes. Logsdon told the Gourley's we would discuss this road at the meeting. It used to have a school bus that ran the road and has a road sign, but is being maintained by a property owner that lives at the end of the road and is not currently on our inventory. Logsdon contacted Cindy Painter about what the process is to add the road to our inventory and she stated she was unsure, due to this being something the engineer always did, but will contact INDOT to get details on the process. Kenney presented Logsdon with the details that Painter provided. You must have a scaled map, verified mileage, and the minutes showing the governing body accepting the road into your system. Logsdon asked Kenney how much it would cost to maintain the road. Kenney stated it was almost a ½ mile long and he estimated less than \$3,000.00 would be needed to maintain it. Seiler stated that his comment on this subject is that he tried to get this done last year and was completely shot down, what's the difference in this road? Logsdon informed Seiler he needed to bring it back up and if it's the same they can discuss it. Gogel stated that in years past the county had issues with individuals dumping some loads of rock in a field, building houses around it and then homeowners coming in asking who was going to maintain their road, which was actually just a private piece of property. A subdivision ordinance was established which outlined that a road has to be brought up to spec and meet county standards for the county to agree to take it over. Logsdon asked for a motion to table this until Attorney Lindsey can research it further and make sure that we can legally accept this road into our inventory. Gogel made that motion. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney presented Bridge #64 plans for approval. They are hoping to get started on this bridge in the next 2 weeks. Seiler made a motion to accept the Bridge #64 plans. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney reported they are locating on 700E and will start ditching. They will then move to 600E & 2100.

Chapman reported there is a box culvert that needs replaced on CR 2160N that they have been trying to get to since November and cannot seem to make it up there. Chapman asked the board if they want him to bid the job out. They are going to be busy trying to ditch as much as possible before the weather turns and not sure when they will have time to get up there. The concern is that a milk truck crosses this culvert daily hauling milk out from the Vaal farm and we don't want to take a chance on the culvert collapsing and having an emergency situation. We have the culvert we just need someone to install it. Chapman can contact Vanderburgh or Warrick County to get specs for bid. We do not know of any specific contractors to do this and would have to rely on references when choosing. Chapman was instructed to put out for bid and we will open bids on May 4th. Lindsey stated that if they get the bids to the papers by Friday we can possibly open them at the April 19th meeting.

Chapman explained that he met a salesman from Palmer Truck Centers in Indianapolis at Road School and they had a truck up there on display that is built for government agencies. A maintenance log was presented for the 3 trucks we currently have to show the expense to repair and maintain them. Chapman presented a quote from Palmer's for a 1 year lease. He stated that a sales rep from St. Louis came over today to look at our trucks and give us a trade in value

and one of the trucks wouldn't even start. They did finally get it started, but the rep was concerned with how long it took to get it started and the way it was idling. Palmer Truck Centers is interested in our trucks for trade in and offered a very reasonable figure. Lindsey stated that with the magnitude of this purchase he felt it should be bid out. Chapman stated that with the time constraint we are in if we bid it out it could take up to 22 weeks to get the truck. Lindsey asked if Palmer would be one of the bidders and Chapman stated yes. Lindsey stated that being able to provide the truck within 30 days should be part of the bid specs. If someone can't provide within that time frame they wouldn't bid. Kenney and Chapman stated they feel we can trade in the 3 trucks on 2 trucks. We have fewer employees and they feel that 5 trucks would be sufficient. Lindsey stated that the way he reads the quote is that it isn't a 1 year lease, but a first payment on an 8 year lease. Gogel stated he feels we need to bid out for 2 trucks, purchase or lease, and see what transpires. We have time to bid this and do it the right way and we can use Mulzer if we need to for hauling rock.

Work One Southwest

Work One Southwest is required to come before the board twice a year to give an update on how things are going. A report was presented that shows job orders, number of unemployed, and the active job seekers that are registered in Indiana Career Connect. All local elected officials are invited to a breakfast meeting on April 29th at the Vincennes University, Fort Branch campus. This meeting will give an update on the workforce development initiatives that are taking place in our region. There is one commissioner appointed representative on the Work One Southwest board, which was Dan Kincaid and he has asked to resign. Logsdon suggested they contact Mickey Toler and ask him if he has anyone available that would be interested in serving.

Cum Bridge Rate – Public Hearing

Logsdon asked Gogel to take over and explain the cum bridge rate process. Gogel explained that for many years the cum bridge rate was set at \$0.05/\$100.00 of assessed value, which resulted in the fund continuing to grow over the years. It was decided at one point to lower the rate to \$0.018/\$100.00, so that we could transfer some cash to the county general fund. Our goal is to get back to the \$0.05/\$100.00, which we are slowly working to do. Each year it requires a process of having a public hearing to change the rate. Over the last few years, we have been increasing the rate to \$0.10/\$100.00 and then at budget time the rate is reduced to whatever amount is reasonable for the budget. We will continue this process until we get the rate back up to \$0.05/\$100.00 and have built the fund back up. Gogel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-05 raising the cum bridge rate to \$0.10/\$100.00 for first reading. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Doug Patmore – Masonic Ceremony

Patmore explained that a ceremony will be held for the 100th Anniversary of Carnegie Library on Saturday, April 23rd at 11:00 a.m. The Grand Lodge of Free & Accepted Masons of the State of Indiana will be holding a rededication ceremony of the Cornerstone Plaque at the Rockport Carnegie Library. Patmore is requesting permission for the Masons to use the courthouse rotunda from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. as a staging area. Seiler made a motion to allow the use of the courthouse rotunda. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Jessica Richardson – Department of Child Services

Richardson came before the board to request permission to use the sidewalks surrounding the courthouse for an event on April 16th. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and DCS is planning a family event called Chalk Walk that will take place on Main Street on April 16th from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. This is a free event that will raise awareness about Child Abuse. Richardson reported that DCS is currently serving 175 families in Spencer County. Richardson also requested permission to display pinwheels on the courthouse lawn as done in years past. Seiler made a motion to approve the use of the sidewalks. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Gogel made a motion to allow the pinwheels on the courthouse lawn. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Troy Refinery

Lindsey reported that a summons was sent to the Sheriff of Clark County for Freeman Cline and they stated they would like to find him also, because there are warrants for him. Once we get formal notice from Clark County we will publish and hopefully receive a default judgment on the property.

Mowing Bids 2016

Lindsey presented the submitted bids for mowing at the courthouse and LEC.

	Courthouse	Alt.	LEC	Alt.
Redline Lawn and Landscape-	\$80.00/wk.	\$25.00/mo.	\$65.00/wk.	\$25.00/mo.
Robinson Landscape-	\$75.00/wk.	\$7.00/mo.	\$65.00/wk.	\$7.00/mo.
Four Seasons Lawn Care-	\$80.00/wk.	\$10.00/mo.	\$70.00/wk.	\$10.00/mo.

Seiler made a motion to accept Robinson Landscape bid for the 2016 mowing. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

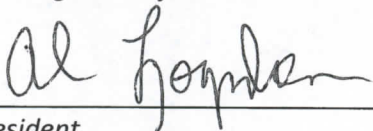
Melissa Brockman-Spencer County Visitor's Bureau

Melissa Brockman and Dave Lovell came before the board to present the 2015 Annual Report. Brockman explained the data included in the report and informed the council that 2015 was another great year for tourism. There are many exciting things happening for 2016 that should continue to increase our tourism.

New Business

Bertie Knepper came in to discuss concerns about her road and the hopes of getting it repaired. They have tried to do some repairs, but it is not a permanent fix. Logsdon stated that the road is in Gogel's district and we will get it fixed this summer.

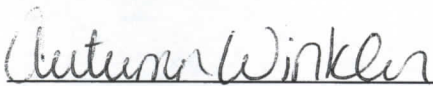
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 2:05 P.M.



President



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Auditor, Autumn Winkler