

**Public Hearing – Unsafe Building
March 19, 2019**

Present: Jim Seiler, Tom Brown, Al Logsdon, Building Inspector Don Winkler, Attorney Jeff Lindsey, Auditor Heidi Greene, Plan Commission Administrator Kay Erwin

Meeting was called to order by President Jim Seiler at 1:30 P.M.

Velotta's

Erwin reported that Velotta's is cleaned up. Erwin spoke with them yesterday and they cannot get the ruts straightened up because of the mud. But they are going to go back in and get it straightened up. Erwin drove down Tuesday and took pictures. Erwin states it is clean and we didn't have to pay for it and that's a good thing.

Erwin states she has two complaints, First complaint, is on an old barn on 100W that's fallen over. The only thing holding it up is the trees. Pictures are presented. Erwin states if the trees go the barn will be in the road. The property is owned by Harry and Kathy Wilson. The barn is located directly on the road. Seiler asks, if notification has been sent and Erwin stated she needs authorization from board to send notice. Brown makes motion for letter to be sent and Logsdon seconded the motion. Second complaint, Trailer on the corner of Silverdale and 250N, Burke Thomas own the property, and the roof is falling in on the trailer and the buildings are unsafe. It sits on .27 acres and that is not enough ground to have anything built. Logsdon makes motion to send letter and Brown seconded the motion.

Bid Openings

Bid opening on the cleaning of the McIntosh property at 9426W Old State Rd 66 in Hatfield.

Gruber Industries \$12,000.00

Gary Beumel/Dirt Dynamix \$5,900.00

24/7 EXCAVATING LLC \$7,500.00

Time limit of 30 days was given for clean up unless there is a weather conflict. Motion by Logsdon for Beumel to get bid and seconded by Brown.

Erwin stated a complaint was received today in Midway but did not have time to get pictures. It will be discussed next meeting.

Erwin asked what time limit she should give Wilsons and Burke Thomas. Lindsey stated they should get 30 days with the first letter. This will be discussed further the first meeting in May. The meeting changed to May 8th, 2019 at 1:30p.m. Logsdon requests that the April 16th meeting be changed to the 23rd at 2:00p.m. All were in agreement with the changing of the dates.

Brown inquires about building permits. Erwin states that there have been several with pole barns, houses, remodels and businesses. There is a huge house going up on the east side of the county. Logsdon asked if there was a permit given on 300E across from Denny's. Erwin explains that is where a cell tower is to be installed.

Logsdon made a motion to adjourn. Brown seconded the motion, motion approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:48 P.M.

**Commissioners Meeting
March 19, 2019**

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

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

Mr. Seiler introduces Heidi Greene as the Spencer County Auditor.

Minutes

Brown made a motion to approve the minutes from February 19th and March 5th, as presented. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Logsdon made a motion to approve Batch #4028 as presented. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Hwy Report

Kenney reported that last week the culvert at St. Peters Church Rd. was replaced and installed the railroad tanker, took a day and a half to get everything completed as far as ditch work and get the culvert installed and to put rip rap down in several places. The existing culvert that was there had field entrances in it, not sure why they did that. Bottom was completely rotted out. Railroad tanker we replaced it with was 9'8" by 50 foot long. Kenney stated to Al that a lot of road work, rip rap and ditch work was being completed. Ditch work has been looked at that Mr. Seiler had requested. Kenney states he has numbers that commissioners requested Gina gather as far as job at St. Meinrad for the pipe. Were fund should be taken out of either Highway or LIT. Seiler asked which Kenney is more comfortable taking it from. Kenney stated if taken out of LIT it doesn't have to be transferred. Its projected costs for each district and ample money. If taken out of Highway it would be taken out of bituminous. LIT no transfers needed. Bids could go out next meeting. Seiler questions why it cannot be out of CUM Bridge, Gina checked on in and it cannot. Logsdon states that it has come to his attention years ago there was an underground coal operation in the same Johnnystown road area. We need to touch base with Cash Wagner. Lindsey stated to check with DNR, there are actually underground coal mine maps. Kenney states he will do some checking and Seiler states the game plan is to have this in place to bid out next meeting. Brown states that he would like Kenney to plan out what bridges he would like to get done this year. Kenney stated he has a list and they have started working on bridge #238 on 1100E, the big bridge they have started tearing it out. Kenney said a total of about two months total shut down on that bridge. Kenney gave attorney Lindsey a document regarding the road usage agreement. Kenney requested Lindsey review and advise. Logsdon said that on SR 66 by Jane Boultinghouse home the water covers the road and is causing a problem and being very dangerous. Seiler said this is caused from beaver dam and Kenney stated he would contact the State.

Veteran Service Officer – Butch Meredith

Meredith introduces Desley Snyder, the SouthWest district service officer. Meredith also thanked the local newspapers for placing the articles in the Leader and the Journal for asking for pictures and coming into the office and signing up for benefits. Meredith says there have been twelve veterans pass away since the beginning of the year. Meredith is trying to express to veterans and their families that if a veteran passes away, and is not drawing VA benefits, then the spouse can not draw a burial benefit and cannot draw a spousal benefit. If they are not signed up they have cheated their family out of compensation and burial plaques can also be provided for the deceased. Meredith is asking for the support of the Commissioners as he will be going in front of the County Council tonight asking to be placed as full-time. Logsdon asked how many hours he works a week and Meredith stated 28 and full-time would be 35. Meredith states there are over 1600 veterans in Spencer County. Logsdon asked if the VA has any type of supplementary support on the local or state level. Desley states, no there is not. Logsdon made a motion to stand united and support the VSO to go in front of the County Council for full-time position. Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Dick Hedrick – Community Corrections

Hedrick stated that they had just completed an audit by the state on 3-18-2019 with an excellent review. Mr. Hedrick wanted to thank Autumn and all the ladies in the Auditor's office for all the support and help they always offer. Every 3 years drug courts in Indiana go through a recertification process and this will be our 4th recertification since 2009. Lisa Brown is working closely with a consultant for the office of judicial administration. An onsite audit will take place on April 3rd and 4th. Everything should be in order for the recertification.

In terms of drug court after care currently we have 3 individuals who successfully graduated from drug court or home detention. They are involved in pure mentor training. They all volunteered to mentor others that have faced some of the same challenges that they face remaining alcohol and drug free. They have been trained by a therapist and trainer in NOW counseling.

Hedrick comes to request approval for hiring of Chase Fisher as Executive Director, Teala Morrison as part-time case manager, Bailey Cooper as full-time case manager and Meagan Hoggard increasing more part-time hours. Also, approval for 4 grant applications. All of these individuals have been approved by the Advisory Board. Brown asked if one of these positions was replacing Janice Weber and that is Chase Fisher.

Logsdon made a motion to approve the hiring of Chase Fisher, Teala Morrison, Baileigh Cooper and Meagan Hoggard. . Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Hedrick has another request referring to the grants for Community Corrections, Drug Court, Jail Treatment and Probation needing approval. Brown made a motion to approve the grants for Community Correction Grant, Drug Court Grant, Probation Grant and Jail Treatment Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Mr. Hedrick is going to be decreasing his hours from 29 hours per week to 21 hours per week.

Meeting changes April 16th to April 23rd and May 7th to May 8th. Meetings at the regular Commissioner time of 2:00P.m. Logsdon made a motion to change meetings, Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Attorney Lindsey has a Resolution 2019-05 A Resolution of Tribute to Jerry Embry. Logsdon made a motion to acknowledge Resolution 2019-05 Tribute to Jerry Embry, Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Notice to the paper on the 2019 mowing bids. Lindsey asked if there should be any changes to the specifications and specifications would be available on Wednesday March 20th at the Auditor's office. Bids will be opened April 2nd, 2019. Brown made a motion to continue with same mowing specifications as of 2018, Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey stated he sent out request to the five banking institutions located in Spencer County. Requesting the financing proposals for the \$300,000.00 for the EMA building. Instructed them we would probably be needing the money by the end of the year. As per the Councils request Lindsey placed in the proposals of 3,4 or 5 year repayment. We should have these by April 2nd, 2019, for opening.

Lindsey states that there needs to be an Executive Session scheduled with the County Council discussing some pending litigation and personnel matters. Executive Session possibly scheduled for April 16th, 2019 at 6:00p.m. Brown states he can do any evening but Wednesday. Lindsey will address with the Council tonight during the meeting. Logsdon states he will be out of town but not opposed for the meeting being held on the 16th.

Wayne Blake that works for PSC has sent an e-mail about the Next Level funding for high speed broadband requesting, letters of support, by April 5th. Brown and Logsdon have sent theirs and Seiler states he will.

Claudia Scott with Crowne Pointe Dance is requesting the use of the auditorium on April 20th, 2019, from 9:00a.m. to 12:00pm, for a charity pageant to benefit TLC Pals for Paws, Inc. and to help Destiny Pounds with a quest for nation pageant in June. We have made space available for Claudia Scout with Crowne Pointe Dance on a couple of occasions. Logsdon made a motion to make that available to Claudia Scout, with certificate of insurance provided, Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey stated the Council and the Commissioners make a joint appointment to the Lincolnland Economic Development Corporation. At the last LEDC meeting the joint appointee Larry Harlen was elected to the board to fill another spot. There is now a vacancy on the county for the joint Commissioner/Council appointment. Brown nominates Robin Knepp, Brown makes motion to nominate Robin Knepper, Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved.

The Commissioners approve the voting locations in each election. In this election there are only two communities that the Spencer County Election Board will be having polling in the primary on May 7th. As is:

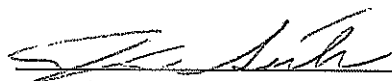
- 0004 Carter 4, Santa Claus Community Center, Santa Claus.
- 0006 Clay 2, Santa Claus Community Center, Santa Claus.
- 0007 Clay 3, Santa Claus Community Center, Santa Claus.
- 0013 Harrison 2 (City), Santa Claus Community Center, Santa Claus.
- 0020 Ohio 1, Lifetime Education Center Gym, Rockport
- 0021 Ohio 2, Lifetime Education Center Gym, Rockport
- 0022 Ohio 3, Lifetime Education Center Gym, Rockport


Logsdon makes motion for 2019 polling locations, Brown seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler states we have one more thing. Debbie Kroeger has resigned and the Advisory Board needs to appoint a trustee. Brown nominates Jane Lynam. Logsdon questions if it has to be for a certain political party. Logsdon requests this be tabled until next meeting.

Stephanie Melton from EMA was here to inform about the EMA internet of \$44.99 with it being bundled with the courthouse internet. She will be billed her portion. Logsdon asked if she had funds for this cost. Stephanie states she does have funds. Logsdon referred to last weeks tornado alert that brought 100% the courthouse employees to the basement and how there was not any internet coverage for EMA.

Brown made a motion to adjourn. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 3:05 P.M.



President
Attest:


Auditor, Heidi Greene

