

**Commissioners Meeting
October 4, 2016**

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

Meeting was called to order by President Al Logsdon at 12:05 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Logsdon requested a moment of silence for the late Dorothy Beckman

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from August 16th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3399 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported they have a crew up on CR 2100N installing perforated drains on some hills that have springs. They are trying to get them drained before we begin work on the road. We are working on CR 150E between 1250N and 1350N doing some ditch work trying to get it prepared for chip and seal later this year. E&B paving has finished CR 300S and it turned out very well, they are now working on CR 450W. The temperatures are supposed to stay warm so their plan is to keep moving on paving. The bridge crew finished installing the railroad tanker at Striker's Landing and it turned out very well. Kenney stated some farmer's called and were very pleased with how it turned out.

Lindsey explained that he has been working on an Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Dale over a section of county road that the town is will to maintain due to its location and a portion of the town's road that the county would maintain in exchange. Lindsey stated that the portion of town road that the county would maintain is immediately east of Washington Street. It is approximately .125 miles of gravel road that the county will pave, place a chip and seal overlay on and continue to maintain. The portion of county road that the town will maintain is approximately .157 miles of chip and seal that the town will maintain as chip and seal. The Dale town board approved the Interlocal Agreement at their meeting last night and it now just requires commissioner approval. Gogel made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the Town of Dale. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lisa Gehlhausen – Indiana 15

Gehlhausen presented a few more documents for signature to finish the process for close out. No formal action is required she just needs signatures.

John Limp

The board of commissioners requested Limp come back to discuss him using or leasing the counties property. After discussion it was determined that the county would consider leasing Limp the portion of land that he is currently using on a year to year basis with 30 day notice lease termination if it's decided that the property is needed by the county. Lindsey will begin the process and send out request for proposals. Limp will be called back in when the process is complete and it will be decided at that time if all parties wish to sign the lease agreement.

Sharon Dugas - Recorder

Dugas has been in contact with Attorney Lindsey to draft an ordinance that requires the Spencer County Recorder to watermark bulk form copies so they cannot be resold. Other counties have been doing this and Dugas stated she received a request from a company requesting bulk form copies. There are companies scamming individuals by sending them a letter telling them they can receive a copy of their deed for \$89.00. The company gets a copy of the deed from the local recorder's office for a few dollars and then sells it to the property owner for the higher fee. Fidlar is the vendor the recorder's office currently uses and they can implement Monarch to provide better security and watermark the files. Lindsey presented Ordinance 2016-10 that requires the Recorder to watermark bulk form copies. Seiler made a motion to suspend the rules and adopt on first reading. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-10 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Dugas will amend the current contract with Fidlar to include the Monarch services.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented a lease agreement with Community Corrections and Key Development, LLC for 3 consecutive 1-year leases at \$1,000.00/month. This is the same lease agreement they currently have and has been signed by Community Corrections and Key Development, it just requires commissioner signature also. Gogel made a motion to approve the lease agreement. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented a Memorandum of Understanding between Spencer County and Access Spencer County stating that we will use the grant funding they give us for upgrading the Spencer County website. Seiler made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented a petition for commissioner approval to re-zone any parcels included in the Troy Refinery property that are not currently zoned as I-1 to be re-zoned to I-1. That will make all parcels included for sale the ability to be used for anything other than residential. Gogel made a motion to present the petition to the Planning and Zoning board to re-zone any of the Troy Refinery properties that are currently not I-1 to be re-zoned to I-1. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Lindsey presented his Summary of Services for September.

Andy Myszak & Mayor Gay Ann Harney

Myszak came before the board to propose a housing project on the river property that is currently Southern Hills and possibly the 2 adjoining houses. Myszak presented photos of similar housing projects that he has completed in Mt. Vernon, Tell City, and Vincennes. These are affordable senior apartments with possible built to suit apartments on the fourth floor. The first floor usually consists of some units, a community room, computer lab, office and possible small fitness room. Second and third floor units are income based units and the fourth floor is fair market value units. Myszak explained that there is grant funding available to develop this type of housing and he feels confident that Rockport is a good location to receive that funding. The only request they have is that the county adopt a resolution allowing the old jail property to be used as parking for the housing project. This is a necessary part of completing the grant application. There are roughly 60-70 applicants for this type of grant with only 14-15 being awarded. The grant application is due by November 7th, so it's crucial we move forward quickly with the resolution if we are interested in proceeding with this project. Myszak requests the resolution be complete in at least 2 weeks. We need to discuss this with the council, due to it being a long term commitment for use of the parking lot. Seiler made a motion for Myszak to move forward with the grant application process and we will discuss this with the council in two weeks at our next meeting. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Lindsey will prepare a resolution and Myszak and Mayor Harney will plan on attending the council meeting in 2 weeks to discuss this with the council and answer any questions.

Old Business

Seiler asked if an additional appropriation has been done for blighted property. After reviewing the additional it was determined we have not yet requested an additional for blighted property. Seiler made a motion to request an additional appropriation of \$7,500.00 out of the Rainy Day fund if there is sufficient money in the fund that is not road money and if not request it out of Riverboat. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

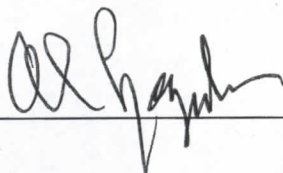
Stephanie Melton - EMA

Melton stated that she was contacted by Dean Schipp from SSSC about internet in the county. There is an internet company called Citco that has requested to put some testing equipment on our tower for a day to see if they can help in any way with our internet problems. They will cover all expenses and liability of installing the equipment at 300 feet. Melton has spoke with any interested parties and has received the ok to allow them to proceed. Melton expressed to Citco that we cannot have any interference with coverage while they are doing this.

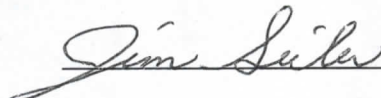
New Business

Logsdon stated that he feels there are many options available for internet in the county and we need to look into hiring some type of IT person to look at the options and advise us on what is the best option for the county. Logsdon stated that his allegiance is with Perry-Spencer if they are affordable, but he understands that they might not be the best option for the county. We need to speak with Mickey Toler at Sceptre Mechanical and possibly AEP about their IT person and try to get some assistance.

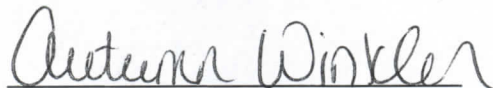
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 2:01 P.M.



President



Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
October 18, 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 at 12:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from September 6th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported that E & B Paving has finished the chip and seal layer on bid packet #3. The crew has been working on CR 2000N installing 2 culverts. Mulzers will haul 73's to CR 2000N and CR 500E. They just finished rip/rap on CR 150E and hope to spread 73's on it soon to get ready for chip and seal. We have started hauling bottom ash to prepare for winter and currently have been told we can have what we want. We will mix this with salt like the last few years for roads. New dump truck came in last week and we will be taking it to Madisonville to get the blade and spreader installed.

Kenney requested that the board appoint Gina Mullen as the DER (Designated Employer Representative), Cindy Painter is currently appointed to that position. Seiler made a motion to appoint Gina Mullen as the DER. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Logsdon asked who will be the ERC for INDOT and Chapman stated himself and Gina Mullen will be doing training to be the ERC.

Chapman explained that the sidewalks he has inspected are not ADA compliant, so we will need to work on getting those repaired.

The first and second road bid packets have been striped, but Roadsafe has stated they will not complete the third and fourth packet until Spring.

Chapman reported that Tom Beck with the railroad company has contacted us concerned about our railroad crossings. The signs look good, but we do not have any markers on the road and he feels this is necessary. Beck informed Chapman that they provide a grant to small areas for 100% reimbursement up to \$40,000.00 for railroad markers on the asphalt. Chapman will fill out the application and hopefully we will be awarded a grant for this project in 2017.

Reverend Cotton – Hatfield Blighted Property

Cotton expressed his thanks to Sarah Frederick the Luce Township Trustee and Debbie Steinkamp for the cooperation and help with cleanup. They have had dumpsters in the center of town on 2 separate occasions and the response has been wonderful. He feels they probably need to do it again. Cotton explained that there are currently 6 structures on the ground in Hatfield, 1 property is currently being cleaned up and there are 3 others of the 6 that the property owners are cooperating with cleanup. The struggle is having the equipment and funding necessary to get the properties cleaned up. Cotton presented a binder with property information and pictures of some of the properties that are the main concerns and Assessor Janie McGinnis is working on getting property information also for these blighted properties. Cotton explained that they are working with the property owners and the trustee has been wonderful with helping. Debbie Steinkamp stated that she sees this as a formal complaint, which is normally where she steps in. This will be a very time consuming and expensive task if she starts organizing cleanup for all these properties, how should she proceed? Logsdon stated that he feels this should be put on the agenda for the next SWMD meeting and discussed there. Reverend Cotton stated that he feels if we would just start with sending out some letters and providing dumpsters again that a lot of the property owners would probably do some of the cleanup themselves. We will continue to work together and it will be discussed at the next SWMD meeting.

Tom Utter and Kathy Reinke

Utter and Reinke just wanted to report that everything is moving along well with the internet committee meetings and there are many interested parties.

Robert Fuller

Fuller reported that he has an agreement with Boultinghouse Funeral Home to store the body refrigerator that he is requesting to purchase. The additional appropriation will be addressed tonight at the council meeting, and if approved the refrigerator will be stored at the funeral home in Chrisney free of charge. The agreement is that they will store it for us and cover the electricity to run it if we allow them to use it as needed.

Legal Report

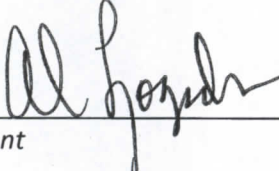
Lindsey drafted a resolution addressing the former jail site being used as a parking lot for the newly proposed housing project. The only agreement this addresses is that we will allow this property to be used as a parking lot and not put a building on it. This resolution will expire in December 2017 if the developer does not have the tax credit in place. Seiler made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-11 allowing use of the parking lot. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

New Business


Logsdon informed the board that Memorial Hospital donated 4 AED machines to Spencer County and he signed the paperwork to accept them. They requested that the AED machines be given to local parks including the ones listed: Mariah Hill, Yellig Park, and Dale. Logsdon instructed Auditor Winkler to revise the same agreement and release signed by Logsdon from Memorial Hospital to be an agreement and release to be signed by the park from Spencer County. This will make the park fully responsible for the machine and the maintenance. Gogel made a motion to accept the AED machines from Memorial Hospital. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Auditor Winkler stated that CASA is requesting the Heart Gallery be allowed in the rotunda from November 1 – November 18. This will be a display of adoption photos like last year. Seiler made a motion to approve allowing the Heart Gallery in the rotunda. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

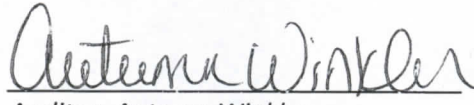
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:32 P.M.



President



Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
November 1, 2016**

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

Claims

Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3417 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Gogel made a motion to approve claims batch #3423 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported that Rudolph is currently working on CR 500E between CR 2100N and CR 2000N. They started on CR 2000N and hope to complete it out to the veterinarian clinic soon. While they are in that area they plan on starting the wedge and level job on CR 300E so that it can setup good before winter. Kenney has spoken to local farmers and requested they keep the feed trucks off of the road a little while to help give it time to setup. Logsdon asked if we can pay for the wedge and level on CR 300E with CEDIT funds since it is a CEDIT road, but was not added to the CEDIT plan this year and Gogel stated that yes once it's a CEDIT road it stays a CEDIT road unless we remove it.

Kenney stated that John Gelarden was notified by Rudolph that they do not wish to proceed with the chip and seal job on CR 150E this year. They feel this late in the season and with cooler temps that the oil might not stick and setup good enough and do not want to be held liable for that. They will proceed with the job only if we sign a hold harmless agreement. After much discussion about what the weather is expected to do, it was decided that we will sign the hold harmless agreement and instruct Rudolph to proceed. Gogel made a motion to sign the hold harmless agreement. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney stated that Richland Medical Center where we get our DOT Physicals has increased their price from \$80.00 to \$95.00 and wants to know if we will reimburse the full amount. Seiler made a motion we reimburse the full amount of \$95.00. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Kenney reported that we had a tractor and brush cutter catch fire yesterday and Chapman has been doing research on some options to replace that equipment. Chapman has already been looking into different equipment, because there has been discussion about possibly trading in some of the old anyways. He has found a program called NJPA which takes the bidding process out. Vendors from all across the U.S. are part of the NJPA program and this enables agencies the possibility of becoming a member and receiving competitive bids on equipment from numerous vendors all in one spot. Using this program provides discounts on equipment and the ability to buy from local vendors. Chapman checked on the specific tractor they are interested in purchasing and found that we could receive a 19% savings if we use this program. Chapman stated that Crawford and Warrick counties are currently using this program to purchase equipment. It is a free membership, so Chapman enrolled Spencer County in the program. After doing research Chapman found a tractor and brush cutter exactly like we are needing in New York and he has spoken with Jason Shourds at Ken Shourds Equipment about the possibility of getting this tractor moved here. If we order a tractor and brush cutter we are looking at months before receiving it and we use this equipment year round, so if possible we do not want to have to wait that long. Using this program we can just contact vendors from the surrounding areas and request quotes on the equipment we wish to purchase and not have to bid it out. Gogel made a motion to approve getting 3 quotes from local vendors on the equipment, with a set delivery date, and partial payment upfront with remaining balance paid within 60 days from delivery. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Gogel stated that we were initially looking into trading 2 tractors and brush cutters, do we need to start the process at this time on purchasing a second tractor also. Chapman stated that he felt we should go ahead and begin the process on the second tractor as well. Chapman was instructed to get 3 quotes with the possibility of purchasing a second tractor at the beginning of the year. Logsdon asked for a motion to authorize Chapman and Attorney Lindsey approving a quote before the next meeting so we wouldn't lose time by waiting until the next scheduled meeting. Lindsey stated that the quote would need to be approved in a public meeting, but that a special meeting could be called to address the quote. After discussion it was decided that a special meeting would be scheduled. Seiler made a motion to schedule a special meeting on Friday, November 4th at 12:00 p.m. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Jennifer Adams – Plan Commission

Adams and Plan Commission Attorney John Wetherill presented ordinance 2016-11 and ordinance 2016-12 for commissioner approval. Ordinance 2016-11 addresses amending the Spencer County Subdivision Ordinance by amending exempt division 1 stating that a parcel being served by an individual well or septic tank must be a one acre parcel or more and a parcel served by a municipal or regional sewer system with at least 100' of road frontage must be one ½ acre or more. Gogel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-11. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Ordinance 2016-12 addresses amending the Spencer County Zoning Ordinance by decreasing the lot size necessary for building in a municipal or regional sewer district. The lot sizes will now be stated as listed above in ordinance 2016-11, one acre or more if served by an individual well or septic system and one ½ acre or more if served by a municipal or regional sewer system. Seiler made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-12 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Logsdon stated that we received a letter addressing issues with IDEM on the Troy Refinery property and its legal description/survey. The letter requests that the Spencer County Surveyor contact them to discuss the issue, but Logsdon stated that the surveyor will not be contacting them we will have Cash Wagner address the issue, since they completed the survey for us. Gogel made a motion to request Cash Wagner contact IDEM to try and resolve the issue. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Letter was given to Tara Damin from Cash Wagner, who was in attendance for a different matter.

Tara Damin – Cash Wagner

Damin came to inform the board that INDOT has approved our ADA Plan. They were very impressed with our plan and requested to use our plan as an example for other counties. Damin stated that we are ahead of schedule and that we need to do a resolution to formally adopt the plan in December. We will continue to work on the self evaluations and get the employee training scheduled. Logsdon thanked Tara Damin, Jennifer Adams, and Phil Brown for all their hard work on the plan and anyone else involved.

Debbie Steinkamp – Solid Waste

Steinkamp came to discuss the properties of concern in Hatfield and the property maintenance ordinance. After going through the documentation from Rev. Brown and with information from the Assessor's Office, Steinkamp has concluded there are 44 property maintenance concerns and 10 structure complaints. Steinkamp feels that we need to discuss and address what departments will enforce the property maintenance ordinance, because there are more departments listed in the ordinance than just the Solid Waste District, but the bulk of it seems to fall on the Solid Waste District. Once we begin working on the properties of concern in Hatfield this will likely snowball to other areas in the county and the Solid Waste District does not have the man power to oversee all of this. Steinkamp stated that we need to discuss what other departments could get involved and assist with this task. This is not an emergency that has to be addressed right away, but is something we need to be thinking about. A logical place would be the building inspector, but Steinkamp knows that position and what it will entail is currently being discussed. She just wants it brought to everyone's attention that we need to be looking at this. Logsdon stated he feels this needs to be on the agenda for the next Solid Waste District meeting for further discussion.

Stephanie Melton – EMA

Logsdon stated that if we don't get some rain soon we will need to issue a burn ban. In the past it has been the recommendation of the EMA Director and fire chiefs to do this, so Logsdon requested that Melton speak to the fire chiefs and contact us when they feel it's time to issue one. Seiler made a motion to give Stephanie Melton and the fire chief's authority to issue a burn ban when needed. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Tara Lloyd – Beam, Longest & Neff

Lloyd stated that when a proposal for Engineering Services was presented the proposal was accepted, but we never formally signed a contract. Lloyd presented a contract for Engineering Services and explained that the terms and amounts listed in the contract are exactly the same as the proposal. Signing the contract will just allow us to use their services if needed without having to go through the process of getting a contract signed at the time. Gogel made a motion to approve the contract for engineering services with Beam, Longest & Neff. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Phil Brown – Building Inspector

Phil Brown presented a job description for his position requested by commissioner Gogel. Logsdon requested building inspector be put on the agenda for the next meeting so we can discuss running an ad for a replacement.

Legal Report

Lindsey reported he has a meeting scheduled with the Judge's staff and Kati Richard on November 7th to discuss the issues with Windstream and terminating the contract. Lindsey reported he received a letter from AT&T stating that we cut their lines and we need to pay for repairs. He will contact them requesting they produce their easement, we did call 811 and have lines located prior to mowing. Lindsey and Auditor Winkler are working on the 2017 Salary Ordinance and classifying all positions to comply with the new FLSA guidelines. Lindsey contacted Kent Irwin about the possible cost to redo our personnel handbook and was told ballpark figure is \$5,000 - \$7,000 to complete that job.

Gogel stated that he had been asked at the Soil and Water department about an employee working 3 – 9 hour days a week and 1 – 8 hour day a week. Is this addressed in the employee manual or do the commissioner's state what hours an employee works? Lindsey stated that as long as it equaled the total hours worked that is required it was probably ok. Auditor Winkler stated if this is allowed there then can anyone work those types of hours and Gogel stated that's what he thought it might open a can of worms. Lindsey stated well that is a different question. It does not create an overtime issue as long as the employee does not exceed the set hours worked. Gogel stated he would let the board know that it is not an overtime issue. No one is stating they are in agreement with doing this and think it needs to be discussed further. Lindsey will check with Kent Irwin and see legally what issues this could cause. Lindsey stated that he will have a letter prepared by Friday for the SBOA Internal Controls that must be implemented by the end of the year. We will direct all employees to watch a SBOA Internal Controls webinar and each employee and department head must sign off on having done so.

New Business

Logsdon stated that he was contacted and made aware that a 27 year old employee that takes adhd medicine had recently went to get a prescription filled and was told that his medication is no longer covered. The department contacted Auditor Winkler and explained the situation to her and she contacted the insurance company and rx company to confirm. Auditor Winkler was told that at the age of 26 those types of medication are no longer covered and employees are fully responsible for the expense unless Spencer County wants to amend their plan to include it. Auditor Winkler instructed the prescription company to cover the prescription for 1 month to give the county time to discuss the issue and make a decision on if we wish to amend the plan and cover it. After discussion it was determined that the county could cover the medication if they choose and just make it a prior authorization and only medical necessity drug. Anytime an individual over the age of 26 tries to get a prescription filled for this type of medication a prior authorization from the county will be needed to proceed. All were in agreement that was a good action to take. Auditor Winkler will work with SIHO to get the plan amended.

Toys for Tots

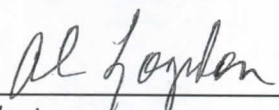
Auditor Winkler stated that an individual requested permission to place a Toys for Tots box in the rotunda. Seiler made a motion to approve the Toys for Tots box. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

WTH Contract

Auditor Winkler presented a WTH contract for commissioner approval. This contract is for WTH to perform the property splits for the Auditor's office. This is the same contract approved previously that states a fee of \$500.00 per month to complete the splits. Gogel made a motion to approve the WTH contract. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

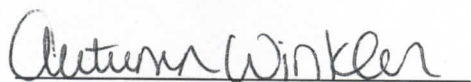
Meeting was adjourned at 1:51 P.M.



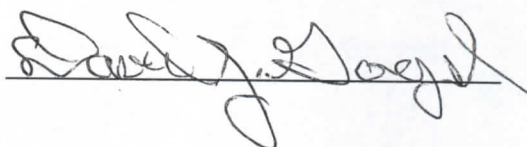
President



Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
November 15, 2016**

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from September 20th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Gogel made a motion to approve claims batch #3439 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported that all the blacktop and chip & seals have been done for the Community Crossings grant, all 4 bid packets. The striping on the last 3 bid packages is not complete, due to it being too cold to proceed. Kenney stated they are now focused on ditches and repairs on district roads before winter gets here. Gogel stated we need to get the durapatcher fired up to start filling cracks. He heard that our old durapatcher that was purchased by the Town of Dale is not being used and that they want to get rid of it. Kenney stated he heard that also and that it is in pretty rough shape now. Gogel stated that with us getting more and more blacktop down there may come a time when we could run 2 durapatcher. Logsdon asked Chapman how long it would be before they have a total of all expenses incurred for the work done for the Community Crossings Grant. Chapman stated that we are waiting for the last bills to come in. Logsdon stated that the 4 bid packet amounts would not equal the \$2,000,000.000 and could Chapman, Painter, and Mullen have the cost of material totaled up also before Cindy leaves. Chapman stated they would try to have to get it done and John Gelarden will be in to work with them also. Gogel stated he feels they should keep their eyes and ears open for another good durapatcher, because that is one of our best tools during the winter months, Kenney agreed. Kenney stated that we are going to begin work on CR 1050E between CR 2150N and 162. There are a couple places in the ditches that are washing out really bad, so they are going to put some rip rap and concrete in to try and save the road. They will probably spend about a week working on that. There are some culverts to be installed on Gries Road and they plan to try and build up CR 2100N and Gries Rd with some bottom ash and rock to try and build up the road where water runs across. Chapman stated that he got 3 quotes from local dealerships on a new tractor and brush cutter and asked if the board had time to look over the NJPA program he had presented at the last meeting. Chapman asked Lindsey if he looked over the program and Lindsey stated he thought it was good to participate in as long as we still get 3 quotes on purchases. Chapman stated that all 3 vendors he received quotes from do participate in the NJPA program. After discussion it was decided that we would go ahead and open bids even though funding will come from the 2017 budget. We can order the tractor and brush cutter without a down payment and pay from our 2017 budget and insurance money.

Tractor and Brush Cutter Quotes

Southeastern Equipment Co., Inc.

2016 New Holland TS6.120 Tractor with Alamo Machete 22 \$143,528.00

Ken Shourds Equipment, Inc.

2016 New Holland TS6.120 Tractor with Mo Trim Boom Mower \$119,500.00

Blesch Bros. Equipment Co

2016 New Holland TS6.120 Tractor with Alamo Machete II \$122,919.00

Wright Implement 1, LLC

2016 John Deere 6110M Tractor with Allied Bengal Mower \$126,809.29

All equipment is comparable and has same warranty. Kenney recommends accepting the quote from Ken Shourds Equipment for \$119,500.00. Seiler made a motion to accept that recommendation. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Logsdon instructed Chapman to order after the meeting and ask when we can expect delivery. Chapman stated it should be ready by the end of January.

Annual Bid Openings - Highway Supplies

Package #1-Fuel

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Firm/ Flex</u> Gas	<u>Firm /Flex</u> On-Road Diesel	<u>Firm /Flex</u> Off-road Diesel
Lykins Energy Solutions	0.00/1.4141	0.00/1.5399	0.00/1.5449
Synenergy	1.5513 /1.3585	1.6584 / 1.4625	1.6614 / 1.4675

Gogel made a motion to accept both bidders. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #2- Stone & Gravel

Mulzer	53 &73	1,2,4,5&7	11's
	13.10	13.20	15.30

Delivered to Garage (53's) 13.95

Seiler made a motion to accept bid from Mulzer Crushed Stone. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #3-Pea Gravel & Fill Sand

Mulzer	Pea Gravel	Fill Sand
	16.10	7.10

Gogel made a motion to accept bid from Mulzer Crushed Stone. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #4-Hot Mix

	Hot Mix #5	Hot Mix #9	Hot Mix #11
J.H. Rudolph	53.00/ ton	57.00/ton	60.00/ton
Metzger	47.00/ton	48.50/ton	53.50/ton
E&B Paving	48.00/ton	50.00/ton	55.00/ton

Seiler made a motion to accept all bidders. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #5-AE

	AE Prime	AE-90	AE-150
Asphalt Materials	2.8574	1.8574	1.9574
Marathon Petroleum	---	1.68	1.86

Gogel made a motion to accept both bidders. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #6-Culverts

	12" 16ga	18" 16ga	24" 16ga	48" 12ga
Metal Culverts	9.26	13.83	18.51	62.94
St Regis Culverts	8.51	12.77	16.17	70.98
CPI Bridge LLC	8.01	12.08	15.30	66.30
Civil Con	7.59	11.39	14.42	49.34
ERS (Plastic)	4.60	8.76	14.20	46.84
Boyd Farms (Plastic)	5.46	10.08	16.79	51.59

Seiler made a motion to accept package #6. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

The bids will be reviewed and awarded on December 6th.

Jane Stout – Spencer County EMS

Stout came before the board to request a transfer of funds to another account within the commissioner's budget to purchase new CPR machines and heaters for the ambulances. There is a set budgeted amount in the commissioner's budget for the ambulance service and those funds are used to reimburse the ambulance service for expenses incurred. In 2014 Stout started working with a company on getting Medicaid reimbursements and found that any expense incurred by the county for the ambulance service and ambulance service expenses could be reimbursed at a certain percentage. Gogel asked Stout to explain the reason for the need to transfer funds. Logsdon asked Gogel if he was on Stout's board and

why he knew information that Logsdon as President was not privy to. Gogel stated he was not and that Stout contacted him the night before to explain why she was coming to request the transfer. Logsdon stated, "There is only one President and that he was home and did not appreciate not receiving a phone call with information in advance". Stout apologized for not contacting him also and will be sure to contact him in the future. Stout went on to explain that she has now been told that equipment purchased by the EMS cannot be reimbursed, only equipment purchased by the county. Auditor Winkler has been working with Stout on this situation and suggested that she come and request a transfer so the expenses could be claimed. Stout is requesting \$47,100.00 be transferred to an equipment account within the commissioner's budget from the original EMS budgeted account and that the county purchase the CPR machines and heaters upfront so that we can be reimbursed a percentage of the cost. The county would be paying for the machines either way, but if the county reimburses the EMS instead of paying for them upfront we could not claim that expense for reimbursement. Gogel made a motion to approve Stout requesting a transfer of \$47,100.00 to an equipment account from the Spencer County Ambulance Service account. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Gogel made a motion to approve Spencer County purchasing the equipment for the EMS upfront, instead of as a reimbursement. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Logsdon explained that recently Memorial Hospital donated 4 AED machine's to Spencer County to be donated to their youth athletic leagues and that they have been working on making sure that someone is trained at each park to properly use the machine in an emergency. There was a machine donated to Dale, 2 to Yellig Park, and 1 will be donated this week to Mariah Hill. Stout explained that they are an American Heart Association training center and that they do lots of training in Spencer County every year. Stout also explained that they pass along any grant information to different schools and organizations to try and get more emergency equipment such as this to those who need it. Seiler asked if Rockport ball park or Richland had an AED and Stout stated not that she is aware of. Seiler asked why and what do we need to do to try and get them, Stout stated that we can look into trying to get a grant and EMS will be happy to do any training. Seiler will look into this further.

Evanston Concerned Citizens

Robin Knepper, David Gripenstroh, and John Wittman of Evanston came to express their concerns about a fire burning at the Evanston Ecopark and the air quality resulting from this burn. We are currently under a burn ban, but there has been a fire burning at the Ecopark unattended for many days. The property used to house a pressed wood factory and a large area in the back has been used as practically a landfill for sawdust and other products. The fire is burning underground and periodically sparks up causing much concern for neighbors that continue to check on it. IDEM has been contacted and they have contacted the landowner and requested he deal with the situation and get the fire put out. Logsdon and Gogel have been to look at the property and see the obvious issues and reason for concern. Logsdon suggested that Attorney Lindsey contact local state representatives and also take it to the Governor's office if necessary to get some action. IDEM has had dealings with the owner of this property before and has provided cleanup for this owner and is unable to ever recoup any of the expenses. There are 4-wheeler tracks going across the affected area which is a major cause for concern, considering the fire is burning underneath and there are obvious sinkholes daily. Logsdon stated if we can't get action soon from IDEM we may need to get the media involved. Lindsey and Melton have been in contact with IDEM and will continue to work with them to ensure this is resolved. It was suggested that barricades be put up so that it makes others aware we are trying to keep people out. The highway dept will be contacted and instructed to go put up high water barricades at the entrances. Logsdon instructed the citizens to stay in contact with Melton and Lindsey if anything arises that needs attention. It is so dry that if the fire really sparks up it could cause widespread damage.

Building Inspector

An ad will be run to advertise for the building inspector position. Applications may be picked up and dropped off to the Auditor's Office. Phil Brown will be retiring at year end and we need work on finding his replacement.

John Rudisill

Rudisill requested permission to hold the Annual Courthouse Christmas Dinner on December 22nd and to close the courthouse from 12-1 for the dinner. Seiler made a motion to approve the Christmas dinner on December 22nd. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Heath Therber - Affinity

Therber with Affinity Communications came to present a proposal from Time Warner Cable for internet service to the courthouse. There have been many issues recently with our current internet service being too slow or periodically not working at all. Time Warner has a promotion going right now that will provide internet service to the whole courthouse for \$270.00/month plus tax for 3 years. This would include 2- 50 Mbps x 5 Mbps services due to the Judge requesting that circuit court stay separate from

the rest of the courthouse. That is much more speed than we currently have. Therber also presented a quote of \$53,600.00 to install new infrastructure from the basement thru the second floor to get in compliance with our wiring. All were in agreement that we would not take action on that at this time, that process would require quotes from other vendors as well. Therber stated that we could still hook onto Time Warner without doing the restructuring, but that he would strongly recommend we go ahead and purchase the \$800.00 router that is needed to correctly distribute the internet service. Auditor Winkler stated that the Judge gave her the impression that he was pretty sure he would be connecting to Time Warner and that the cost for him alone would be the \$270.00 plus tax, but if we jump on with this promotion we could all have better internet for the same cost. We will be paying this amount either way when the circuit court connects. We can do the restructuring a little at a time if we choose, but at some point it does need new infrastructure to get in compliance. Seiler made a motion to approve the 3 year contract with Time Warner and the \$800.00 router. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Legal Report

Lindsey reported that Cash Wagner is still working with WTH to get the maps updated with the most recent survey so that IDEM will approve it.

Lindsey stated that he and Auditor Winkler are working on updating the salary ordinance to reflect which employees are exempt and which employees are excluded from the new FLSA overtime ruling. Auditor Winkler has drafted the ordinance and Lindsey sent it to Kent Irwin for review and instruction.

Lindsey presented a letter to be distributed to dept. heads regarding internal controls and the webinar all employees will be required to watch. The employee and department head have to sign off that they have watched the webinar.

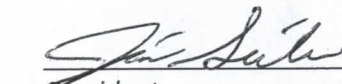
New Business

Auditor Winkler stated that an individual came in and submitted a letter requesting appointment to the VSO position. All were in agreement that this would be addressed in January.

Internet Infrastructure

Logsdon stated that we need to do an RFP for Infrastructure for the courthouse. Gogel made a motion to have Lindsey draft an RFP for infrastructure for the courthouse. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

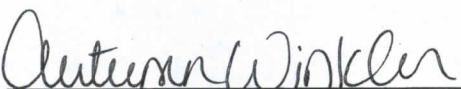
Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 3:18 P.M.



President



Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



**Commissioners Meeting
December 6, 2016**

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Seiler made a motion to approve the minutes from October 4th as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Gogel made a motion to approve the minutes from October 18th as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Gogel made a motion to approve claims batch #3463 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3451 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3441 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Gogel made a motion to approve claims batch #3447 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Highway Report

Kenney reported that they are currently trying to get caught up on work that has been put to the side during paving and chip and seal season. They are busy working on culverts, pipe work and ditching. Kenney reported we have 3 spreader beds coming for the 2 single axle Freightliners and 1 for the new Peterbilt. The crew is also working on getting snow plows ready to go.

Paul Dauby & Kathy Reinke – Broadband Committee

Logsdon reported that he spoke with a national consultant that stated our first step is to send out a request for information. Reinke stated that Dauby and some other experts came up with initial prerequisites that we had to provide to the consultant so he was able to come up with a document to send out to the broadband providers. We have to pay \$500.00 to the consultant for them to send out the RFI. After discussion, it was decided where we had money available to pay the consultant. Gogel made a motion to approve paying \$500.00 to Mid-West Consultants from the Tech Consultant line in the courthouse budget for the RFI. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Award Annual Bid

Package #1 - Fuel

SynEnergy Partners
Lykens Energy

Gogel made a motion to accept both bidders as responsible bidders. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #2 and #3 were accepted at last meeting, due to Mulzer Crushed Stone being the only bidder.

Package #4 - Bituminous Materials

E&B Paving
JH Rudolph
Metzger Construction

Seiler made a motion to accept all 3 bidders. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #5 - Transport Seal and Prime Oil

Asphalt Materials
Marathon Petroleum (lower on AE-90, but does not carry AE Prime)

Seiler made a motion to accept both bidders. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Package #6 - Pipe

Kenney made a recommendation that we accept the bids from:

Civil Con
Erosion Resources and Supply
Boyd Farms

Gogel made a motion to accept the recommendation of Kenney. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Recognize Cindy Painter

The Board of Commissioners presented Cindy Painter with a clock recognizing her 29 years of service and expressed their great appreciation for Painter's hard work and dedication to Spencer County. They also expressed gratitude for Painter's assistance in choosing her replacement and training her. She will be greatly missed.

Legal Report

Lindsey presented the minutes from the recent Executive Session regarding the AK Steel Litigation. Gogel made a motion to approve the minutes from the Executive Session on December 1st. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Lindsey presented Resolution 2016-12 for commissioner approval. The resolution is to approve payment to Lindsey Law Office for work done on the AK Steel Litigation. Gogel made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-12 approving expenditures from the AK Steel Settlement Funds in the amount of \$3,158.82 to Lindsey Law Office. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Evanston Fire

Lindsey reported that since the last meeting he has been in contact with Stephanie Melton and emailed Mark Messmer and Lloyd Arnold about the fire smoldering in Evanston. Lindsey included the contact at IDEM on the email to Messmer and Arnold and was told by IDEM that it was beneficial getting them involved. IDEM has turned this over to the state fire marshal, but since then the weather has helped with getting it under control. It may not be completely out, but is no longer such a severe threat. Gogel stated that he had been out there and noticed that someone had been moving dirt around and that it was chained shut. Hopefully this property will not be a problem again until possibly summer.

Lindsey reported he is still working on a few RFP's and that we are close to wrapping up everything with the Troy Refinery Property. Cash Wagner has been working with WTH to repair the glitch and then we should be ready for release. Logsdon stated that he was contacted by Lisa Gehlhausen and the mapping issue has been fixed and he instructed Gehlhausen to let us know as soon as possible when we receive the release from IDEM so we can get this property up for sale.

Medicaid Billing – Ambulance Service

Lindsey explained that the ambulance service has contracted with a company to try and get reimbursements from Medicaid. They are currently working on 2014, but need authorization from the board of commissioners to pursue that claim. Lindsey presented the Indiana Medicaid Freestanding Governmental Ambulance Provider Cost Report for commissioner approval. Gogel made a motion to approve the contract with Myers & Stauffer, LLC to pursue a Medicaid reimbursement. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

New Business

Sheriff McDurmon reported that only half of the on demand water heaters at the jail are working. We have been told by Alpha Mechanical that the water heaters we have are residential not commercial. We currently have 8 residential water heaters and they suggest replacing them with 4 commercial ones. The cost to replace them would be around \$39,000.00. Part of our problem is how hard the water is and it would be around \$20,000.00 to replace the water softener system. Logsdon asked McDurmon if he has spoken to Mark Heirbrandt with Ameresco and McDurmon stated that yes he had and he came down and tested the water awhile back. Logsdon instructed McDurmon to contact him again before making any changes. We will continue to have problems even with new water heaters if we don't get the water problem itself fixed. McDurmon just wanted to make the board aware of what could be coming.


Lindsey explained to the board that Spencer County has a very heavy caseload in Circuit Court and that it has been determined that a judge and magistrate from Perry County will come assist with our caseload. This could possibly require an additional courtroom on the 3rd floor, because the auxiliary courtroom is really not sufficient to hold trials. Lindsey expects that at some point in time there needs to be a discussion with the commissioners, council, and judge about what is needed for the court and what options we have. If the 3rd floor is taken over for Circuit Court the Assessor and Plan Commission will have to move, plus the current criminal court office could possibly be turned into a courtroom. Lindsey just wanted the board to be aware that this could be coming. Logsdon asked Lindsey to check with the judge about the possibility of meeting on Tuesday, January 20th. Lindsey will check with the court office and let Auditor Winkler know what time works for the judge.

Logsdon stated that the board wants to interview the V.S.O applicants on January 20th. Auditor Winkler will contact them to setup appointments.

Building Inspector

Seiler made a motion to run an advertisement for a new building inspector. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Seiler made a motion to adjourn. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.
Meeting was adjourned at 1:35 P.M.

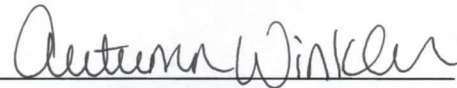


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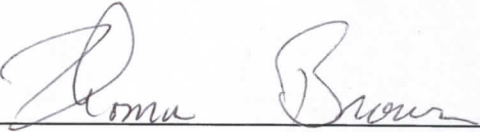


Al Gogel

Attest:



Auditor, Autumn Winkler



Donna Brown

**Commissioners Meeting
December 20, 2016**

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes

Gogel made a motion to approve the minutes from November 1st as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Claims

Gogel made a motion to approve claims batch #3467 as presented. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve claims batch #3469 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Seiler made a motion to approve invoice #2507 that had been denied at a previous meeting. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved with Gogel opposed. Gogel feels this was actually a personal matter not county business.

Highway Report

Kenney and Chapman were not present.

Legal Report

Lindsey reported that AT&T has been billing us for cutting their lines when mowing and we have been denying them, because they do not have an easement in the ditch. AT&T has now filed a tort claim against us and Lindsey recommends we have an executive session at the beginning of the year to decide how we wish to address these claims. Logsdon stated that he feels we should have an executive session on January 17th with AT&T at the table. Lindsey stated we cannot have AT&T present in an executive session, due to them being our adversary, but we can collect facts and get a strategy to address this. Lindsey requested that Auditor Winkler put on the January 3rd agenda so we can set an exact time on the 17th for the Executive Session.

New Business

Auditor Winkler presented the 2017 Holiday and Pay Day Schedule for commissioner approval. Seiler made a motion to approve the 2017 holiday and pay day schedule. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Janice Weber – Community Corrections

Weber came to inform the board of 2 new advisory board members, Steve Hall and Megan Vance. Hall used to be the chaplain for the DOC in Indianapolis, but now lives here and works for Crisis Connection. Megan Vance is the GED Teacher and runs Oakland City Rockport Campus. Weber also informed the board that they have applied for next year's Community Corrections grant in the amount of \$313,264.00.

Melissa Brockman – Tourism Commission

Brockman came to present the 2017 tourism commission budget. At the end of 2016 their income is up just over 0.5% and their expenses are down 9%. There is a slight increase in income projected for 2017 at around possibly 3%. The budget is pretty basic, they have shaved back a few areas to try and save money for a new visitor's center. They are hoping to apply for a state grant that could possibly be \$150,000.00, but they have to have a plan in place and be able to match the grant. Something new for 2017 is destination kiosks that will be placed throughout the county. The Tourism Commission received a grant for 3 kiosks, which they are thinking may be located at Lincoln Commerce Center, one outside Holiday Foods in Santa Claus, and one in Holiday World. Brockman stated they plan to send out an events mailer to every Spencer County resident again that shows all the holiday events happening in the county. Lindsey asked Brockman how they can have a mileage reimbursement rate of \$0.54/mile when the state rate is only \$0.38/mile. Brockman stated that they follow IRS guidelines not state guidelines on this and she will check on the reasoning for that and report back in a few months when she returns.

Jennifer Adams – Plan Commission

Adams presented Ordinance 2016-13 for commissioner approval. Adams explained that Lindsey on behalf of the commissioners requested that all the Troy Refinery property be zoned at I-1, which her board approved in October. Gogel made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-13 to rezone all the Troy Refinery Property to I-1. Seiler seconded the motion, motion was approved.

Tara Damin – Cash Wagner

Damin presented Resolution 2016-13 for commissioner approval. This resolution is formally Adopting Final Title VI Plan and Policy. Damin reported that we are in very good shape according to the timeline we sent to INDOT and the next step would be training for the employees. Damin will work on getting some training material together to present to the work group and commissioners by the end of January with hopes of doing training sometime in March. Seiler made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-13 as presented. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

2017 Reorganization Meeting

Seiler made a motion to schedule the reorganization meeting for January 3rd at 9:00 a.m. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved.

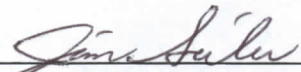
Recognize David Gogel

Seiler and Logsdon presented Commissioner Gogel with a clock recognizing his years of service on the Board of Commissioners and expressed their great appreciation for his dedication and service to Spencer County. Gogel thanked his fellow commissioner's and stated we are still on the same team and if anyone has questions to just call.

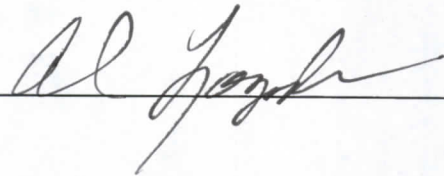
Seiler made a motion to recess the meeting until 1:30 p.m. Gogel seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was recessed at 1:08 p.m.

1:30 p.m. appointment will not take place.

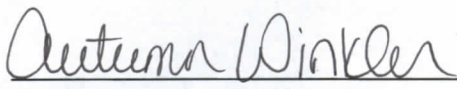
Gogel made a motion to adjourn. Logsdon seconded the motion, motion was approved. Meeting was adjourned at 1:17 P.M.



President



Attest:



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