

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – APRIL 18, 2017**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 9:00 a.m. at the Cannelton High School as advertised. Commissioners Larry R James, Bill Amos and Randy Kleaving were in attendance. Also in attendance was County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg. A media representative from the “Perry County News” attended the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYROLL

Bill made the motion to approve the payroll distributed on April 17, 2017 in the amount of \$133,415.67. Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting of March 21, 2017 was mailed to the Commissioners for their review. Randy made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 2-0.

ORDINANCE – INCREASE TRANSFER FEES – AUDITOR’S OFFICE

Auditor Pamela Goffinet explained to the Commissioners about wanting to increase the transfer fees for documents in her office effective July 1, 2017. As of now, we charge \$5.00 per document no matter how many legal descriptions; identification numbers are associated with that document. She said she wants to increase the charge to \$5.00 per identification number associated with the legal to the document. Not sure how much more revenue this will bring in, but it will help to maintain the transfer books and plat books in my office. At this time, we will be printing transfer books every five years it costs around \$4500 to \$5000 to have it done. She informed them that she has talked with County Attorney Chris Goffinet and he prepared the ordinance for this increase for them to sign. Bill made the motion to approve the ordinance for the increase, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

QUOTES – COUNTY INSURANCES

Larry, President, brought up about receiving quotes on workers compensation and liability insurance for this year. He also informed the other members that according to State Statue, we don’t have to open this up for quotes. Adam Evrard with Home Mutual insurance appeared before the Commissioners stating he was concerned with the workers compensation for the rescue workers on enough coverage but also stated that we are running out of time if going to bid out the workers compensation. It is up June 1, 2017. Larry said he has contacted Pete and will have Chris, County Attorney, to look over the contracts for coverages. Larry stated that they need to decide when to take quotes on insurance so it is open to all companies. He felt like we are too far into this year and open it up for 2018. There was discussion among the Commissioners. Randy stated that everyone struggles with Health Insurance because it is very complicated. Adam says they see more savings with Workers Compensation and Liability Insurance. Randy said it is taxpayer money we are spending. Bill commented that he would like to see we open it up for quotes this year, workers compensation for June and liability insurance for August. Bill made the motion to open the two insurances up for quotes in 2017, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS – DUMP TRUCKS AND MOTOR GRADER

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the Commissioners with information regarding the bids they opened on April 3, 2017 for three dump trucks and motor grader. After reviewing the bids with the County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, for the dump trucks, it is his recommendation to reject all the bids submitted. They were missing the affirmation clause. Randy made the motion to reject all bids for the dump trucks, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor Pam Goffinet did inform them that new bids are being accepted now until May 1, 2017 for the dump trucks again.

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, suggested the Commissioners accept the bid from Whayne Supply for the motor grader. This grader is used to maintain gravel roads, ditching and other jobs. All documents were included with the bid. The bid was for \$220,167.00 with \$10,200.00 trade in. The next step is to bid out for financing for a 5 year lease. Auditor Pam Goffinet will send letters by the end of the week to have quotes back for May 16, 2017. Randy made the motion to accept the bid of Whayne Supply and to reject John Deere's bid for insufficient information, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTES – PICKUP TRUCKS AND EQUIPMENT

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, also presented the Commissioners with quotes they took on three pickup trucks and highway equipment which were opened at the April 3, 2017 meeting. On Steve's recommendation, Randy made the motion to accept the quote for pickup trucks from Ruxer Ford out of Jasper, IN. for three quarter crew cab truck with price of \$27,047.00 each plus additional options. Steve plans to purchase three trucks. Bill made the second to the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor Pam Goffinet will send letters out for financing to lease for five years.

Steve also recommended IMPCO, Inc. from Madisonville, KY for the successful bidder for the highway equipment for all the trucks. They were a lot cheaper with a price of \$40,443.66 per dump truck which includes 10' dump bed, stainless salt bed, and 10' snow plow and hydraulic system. He also recommended accepting the bid of \$4200.00 for snow plows for each pickup truck. Randy made the motion to accept IMPCO, Inc. for all equipment, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor Pam Goffinet will send letters for financing to lease for five years.

BRIDGE INSPECTION

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the Commissioners with Phase II of Bridge Inspection report from Lochmueller Group. Bill made the motion to approve the report, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0. Steve will send to INDOT.

POLLING PLACES – SPECIAL ELECTION

County Clerk, Mandi Mogan, informed the Commissioners that there will be a special election this year in the City of Cannelton. The election is for a question that was placed on the ballot. She told them that she needed them to approve the voting places for the spring election held on May 2, 2017. She also said they would be using the Commissioners room for about a week. Randy made the motion to approve the voting place of the Cannelton Library, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT – HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION

County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg, explained to the Commissioners that when the new hospital was built, a hospital association was formed, in which they own the land and improvements and lease them to the county hospital. She informed the Commissioners that there are 2 vacancies on the Hospital Association Board. Ryan Oberhausen and David Huber have moved out of County. Teresa explained that according to Indiana Code the Commissioners make the assignments for these vacancies. There are also political restrictions to appointing the positions. They are voluntary positions. The hospital association has nominated Kevin Waninger (republican) and Sean Risse (democrat). They both have agreed to serve. These positions make a lot of decisions for the Hospital Association. Generally the Commissioners would appoint at their next regular meeting, but they are asking if they could go ahead because they need to have a meeting and are needing the new members. Randy made the motion to appoint Kevin and Sean, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

Al Sibbitt, Cannelton School Superintendent, approached the Commissioners saying he is representing the school about the situation with Can Clay Corporation. He understands the property was deeded to the County by Tax Title Deeds and was asking

about an agreement they had with Can Clay. Randy informed him that there is no agreement at this time. Randy went into a little history on how we got to this point with Can Clay of not paying taxes. The Commissioners want to market this property to get it back on tax rolls. Mr. Sibbitt spoke up saying his first request is that if an agreement is made between the County and Can Clay, he would like to see that Cannelton School Corp receive 44.3% of any revenue coming in (this is based on the school's rate divided by Canneltons total tax rate). He also said they probably owe the school \$250,000 in back taxes and they just want to get their fair share. Al said all entities involved for Cannelton's tax rate should receive a share of the money. His second request is that if there should be an agreement, he would like for a copy to be given to the school's attorney to look over it also.

President Larry commented on Mano Point Boat Ramp being closed. He said they are having the County Attorney Chris Goffinet prepare a letter regarding the concerns of neighbors in the area for the May 1, 2017 meeting. They are not happy about it and there was no prior notice given to the County of the closing.

INTRODUCTION OF COUNTY OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS

The offices and departments in attendance were: Auditor Pam Goffinet, Administrator Teresa Kanneberg, Sheriff Alan Malone, Assessor Mendy Lassaline, Clerk Mandi Mogan, Coroner Charles Baumeister, Highway Superintendent Steve Howell and the Commissioners. These officials and department heads introduced themselves and described to the students what duties and jobs that they and their offices do.

Teresa announced the next Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 1, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Perry County Courthouse.

The meeting ended in open session at 10:05 a.m.

Minutes approved this 1st day of May, 2017.

Larry R. James
President

Randy Kleaving

Bill Amos

*Minutes prepared by:
Pamela L Goffinet, Perry County Auditor*