

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – May 1, 2017**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 6:00 pm. as was duly advertised. Commissioners Larry R. James, Randy Kleaving, and Bill Amos were in attendance. A representative of the *Perry County News* was present along with County Administrator, Teresa Kanneberg. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, also was in attendance.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was a moment of silence in memory of Gordie Aders. Gordie was involved with the County for several years. He once was the EMA Director.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Randy made a motion to approve all claims dated May 1, 2017. Bill seconded the motion, and motion carried 3-0. The commissioners signed claim dockets in the amounts of \$219,047.81 for County General; \$117,691.19 for Highway claims; and advances of \$252.86, \$4,815.00, \$82,620.96, \$1,879.20 for a total of \$426,307.02. In addition, the payroll docket was approved in the amount of \$134,514.79 for the payroll distributed on May 1, 2017. Bill made the motion to approve the payroll, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the April 3rd and April 18th, 2017 meetings were mailed to the Commissioners for their review. With no changes, Randy made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

JAIL OPERATIONS – EXTRA FUNDING

Auditor Pam Goffinet informed the Commissioners that she had been contacted by Derek Zehr from Old National Bank that there were funds left in two accounts from the 2010 Edit Lease Bonds for Waupaca that were paid off in 2016. The amounts are \$62,936.42 from the Perry 10 Sinking fund and \$.03 from Perry Co 10 Issuance Expense fund totaling \$62,936.45. She said that she had spoken to County Attorney Chris Goffinet on where this money could be deposited. Auditor Goffinet stated that she would like to have them approve that this money be deposited into the Jail Operations fund to help with expenses. Chris said that since the EDIT plan already has money going into this fund that they would not have to amend the plan. Randy mentioned that they were going to move some funds into the Jail Operations later on. Randy made the motion to approve depositing this money into the Jail Operations fund, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

AFFIDAVIT FOR PAYMENT - PCDC

Alvin Evans with the Perry County Development Corporation presented the Commissioners with an affidavit to authorize Old National Bank to make certain payments from a Construction Fund established by the Trust Indenture dated December 1, 2014 between the County and the Trustee. It was explained that these invoices will be paid from bond proceeds and that the projects were already approved by the Redevelopment Commission. The invoices for payment are: Exhibit A - \$1,278.07 to the Perry County Treasurer for Lochmueller Group for design plans of Switzer Road, Exhibit B - \$99,176.42 to the Perry County Development Corporation for the third payment on the Bebco property. Randy made the motion to approve the affidavit, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFER – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, presented the Commissioners with a transfer request of \$25,000.00 from Stone, \$24,702.00 from Salt, \$25,000.00 from Gas, and \$25,000.00 from Equipment Repair to Road Equipment totaling \$99,702.00. Steve said they are planning to purchase a used GMC truck and some equipment for the new

trucks that are being purchased. This way it is not all going on lease payment. Bill made the motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0.

BIDS – (3) SINGLE AXLE DUMP TRUCKS

The Highway Department received bids for the second time on three single axle dump trucks. County Attorney Chris Goffinet opened the following bids:

Truck Centers, Inc – Evansville, IN

- 2018 Freightliner 108SD Conventional Chassis - \$69,901.00 each
All documents attached
5 year lease @ 3.08%

Evansville Truck Center – Kenworth – Evansville, IN

- 2018 Kenworth T370 Chassis - \$72,963.00 each
All documents attached
5 year lease @ 4.62%

It was stated that these would be purchased on a five year lease payment within the Motor Vehicle Highway fund. Chris said both bids look good from a legal aspect. All bids were reviewed by the Commissioners. Steve stated that he would like to recommend the Kenworth. Even though it is more expensive, he says it will save the County money in the long run. They last longer and the service is closer. After some discussion, Randy made the motion to accept the bid of Kenworth trucks. Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Auditor Goffinet will send out letters for financing.

LETTER TO CONGRESSMAN BUCSHON- US FOREST SERVICE

Attorney Chris Goffinet explained to the Commissioners that he prepared a letter to Congressman Bucshon regarding two issues that the County has with the National Forest Service. The first is: Perry County has 60,195 acres of federal land which is 24% of the total acreage for the entire County. This seriously impacts the amount of property tax revenues received by Perry County since federal land does not pay property taxes. This also impacts the assessed value of the County and the tax rate paid by the citizens of the County. The County does receive some federal land payments in lieu of taxes that average to \$.98 per acre. In the letter, the County is requesting his assistance to increase the payments in lieu of taxes received. The second is: Mano Point Boat ramp being permanently closed. It is a day use site and fishing access point on the Ohio River. Access to the ramp is free to the public and a vital access for recreational activities. The closure took place with no notice to the County and the reason why. Bill made a motion to sign the letter, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 3-0. All Commissioners signed the letter.

INSURANCE QUOTES- WORKMANS COMP AND LIABILITY

Chris Goffinet, County Attorney, explained that at the Commissioners last meeting, they decided to take quotes on Workers Comp insurance. The County's current policy expires on June 1, 2017. He informed them that there is not enough time to do this one fairly. They need to rescind this decision. All Commissioners voted to do that. Chris then asked them how they are going to handle the liability insurance which expires August 31, 2017. All interested companies need to bid on the same coverage. There are two ways to do the quotes: 1) Have them quote what they would propose or 2) Have a bid package with specifications. You could take the declaration page from current insurance and redo it or have someone draft the specs and look them over. He said years ago they had someone to look over health insurance quotes and had to pay them for it. Chris commented saying they would accept bids, take under advisement, have the company come in and explain their bid, and then Commissioners make a decision. Bill said he wants to make sure they are doing it correctly and get the right insurance. Larry said to bid on what we have now to compare apples to apples. Randy said the only thing is we have a history now with our insurance. He would like to wait until next year and talk to other counties. He thinks they shouldn't rush into it. We need to do more homework on this. Randy made the motion to hold off on getting quotes until 2018, start 1-1-18, Bill second the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

SURPLUS – SHERIFF POLICE CAR

Sheriff Alan Malone approached the Commissioners saying he has a 2010 Dodge Charger that he would have liked to trade in but the dealership will not take it. He would like for the Commissioners to surplus the car so he can sell it. Randy made the motion to declare the 2010 Charger surplus, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

Teresa announced that the next meeting of the Perry County Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 8:00 a.m. at Perry County Courthouse.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:43 p.m.

Minutes approved this 5th day of June, 2017.

Larry R James
President

Randy Kleaving

Bill Amos

*Minutes prepared by:
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