

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – JULY 6, 2015**

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

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLAIMS & PAYROLL

Bill made a motion to approve claims dated July 6, 2015. The commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$216,351.85; \$633,296.87 for Highway claims; and advances of \$23,371.00, \$136.13 and \$2,324.74 for a total of \$875,480.59. Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. In addition, the payroll docket was signed in the amount of \$121,128.70 that was distributed on June 29, 2015. Larry made the motion to approve the payroll claim, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meetings of June 1st and June 16th, 2015 had been mailed to the commissioners for their review. Larry made the motion to approve the minutes as written, and Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

SURETY BOND CHANGE

Pam Goffinet, County Auditor, presented the Commissioners with a change on the County's Surety Bond that was approved at their January 5, 2015 meeting. Cathy Hagedorn, Deputy Recorder, retired at the end of May and was removed from the bond and new Deputy Recorder employee, Nicole Rogier, was added. Bill made the motion for the change, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS

Auditor Pam Goffinet explained that each year the County Commissioners are required to make a recommendation to the County Council on the 2016 salaries for all county employees. Pam stated if the commissioners make a recommendation at today's meeting she will have her staff prepare the paper for the commissioners' signatures, and then it would be forwarded to the County Council members. Bill made a motion to recommend a 3% raise for all county employees in 2016, and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFER

County Auditor, Pam Goffinet, requested a transfer within County General in the amount of \$50,000.00 from Ambulance Service to Health Insurance in the Commissioners budget. She explained that the insurance company called and was needing any extra funds that we could send to help pay claims to vendors and employees. She also stated that she had been advancing payments from the County's and Highway's monthly invoices already. The Trustees (Auditor, Council President and Commissioner President) of the Health Insurance met to come up with the best solution. Bill made a motion to approve the request and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

NEW AMBULANCE SPECIFICATIONS

John Gebhard, EMS Director, talked to the Commissioners about the specifications for a new ambulance they want to purchase. For the last six years they have been putting remounts on the chassis and are looking for a 2015 or newer GM model instead of a Ford model ambulance. John stated the specifications are pretty well the same, the biggest changes is that they added safety features and different style of cot according to Federal regulations. He stated to the Commissioners that at the present they have 4 units and would like to keep all instead of trading one in case a third crew is added. This would give them a total of 5 units with this new one. Randy stated that he would like to see them keep all the original 4 units as well.

Auditor Goffinet informed the Commissioners that she has the Notice to Bidders prepared to be advertised for July 9th and 16th and bids would be opened at their August 3rd meeting after 6:00 p.m. Larry made the motion to accept the specs as presented, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ADOPTION

Representative of Lochmueller Group, Bob Grewe, updated the Commissioners on the Comprehensive Plan and let them know they are ready for adoption of the plan. He stated that they had started on the project in the fall of 2014 and the Plan Commission adopted a resolution on the proposed comprehensive plan on June 9, 2015. The next step is for the Commissioners to approve the resolution to adopt the Perry County Comprehensive Plan 2015. Chris, County Attorney, reviewed the resolution and found to be in proper order. Bob informed the Commissioners they will publicize the plan through Facebook and the County's website. The question next is the steps after implementation of the plan. Randy stated that the steering committee needs to meet and get everyone's thoughts and ideas about changes needing to be done. All were in agreement. Bill made the motion to approve the resolution adopting the comprehensive plan. Larry made the second. Motion carried 3-0. Randy mentioned that he would like to thank all involved on working on the plan. (See Attachment "A" R-C-15-2)

HIGHWAY 2016 BUDGETS

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, submitted the 2016 Highway, Local Road & Street and Cumulative Bridge budgets for the commissioners' approval. Steve explained a few changes made, a 5% increase in the salary for employees and increased the workers compensation to name a few, otherwise the same as last year. Bill made a motion to approve the budgets in the following amounts: Highway fund \$2,140,800.00; Local Road & Street fund \$350,000.00 and Cumulative Bridge fund \$582,266.00. Larry seconded the motion and motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY

Steve informed the Commissioners that Ohio Valley Gas submitted an application to cut and occupy Perry County Highway Right of Way at the intersection of Old Hwy 37 and Abbott Road. This will be from where they stopped at Gatchel. The purpose of this is to install natural gas line alongside county roads to serve local residents. Also Ohio Valley Gas will come back and fill in the dirt and any repairs. Larry made the motion to allow the right of way, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

SOUTH ANNEX RENOVATION BUDGET

Adam Tempel, Park and Recreation Director, came before the Commissioners representing his office and the County Extension office. They have submitted a renovation budget list to the Commissioners as stated at the last meeting. Commissioners stated they had \$15,500.00 appropriated for the project and their itemized list totaled \$15,100.00 and hope to stay under that also. Adam said they needed approval so contractors can be contacted and start getting supplies. He stated they are trying to do a lot of the work themselves to save on cost. Attorney Chris Goffinet stated that no approval is necessary since the Council already passed the additional. Claims do need to be submitted to Teresa for the Commissioners.

ORDINANCE – FLOOD HAZARD AREAS

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, explained to the Commissioners every 10 years or so the flood maps (hazard areas) need to be redone and an ordinance must be passed to update them. He stated that the Commissioners have approved the maps and DNR prepared the ordinance which replaces the current ordinance of year 2005. He said there were no significant changes to the new ordinance. Larry made the motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0. (See Attachment "B" O-C-15-4)

APPOINTMENTS

Plan Commission – republican position, term ending December 31, 2015. - This is filling the position of Bernie Bower who resigned earlier in the year. The appointment had been advertised. The Commissioners received two letters of interest: Tom Hauser and Andrew Hagedorn. Larry commented that Mr. Hagedorn's credentials were very

strong. Larry made the motion to appoint Andrew Hagedorn, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

District 10 Planning Oversight Council – commissioner appointment, term on going as long as an elected official. – Bill made the motion to appoint Larry to the board. Randy made the second, motion carried 2-0 with one abstention.

Animal Welfare Board – commissioner appointment, 4 year term and ends December 31, 2017. Kathy Kleeman informed the Commissioners that Frankie Erickson was resigning. Commissioners decided to make appointment the at their August 18th meeting. This would give six weeks' notice on advertisement to receive letters of interest.

MISCELLANEOUS

Larry commented on the Deer Lake Dam project. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, informed the Commissioners that the property owners have hired an attorney from Rockport. He has sent a letter on the County's position, but has not heard anything back at this time.

It was announced that the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:40 p.m.

Minutes approved this 3rd day of August 2015.

Randy Kleaving
President

Bill Amos

Larry R James

*Minutes prepared by:
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