PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING - JANUARY 20, 2015

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 as duly advertised. Commissioners present for the meeting were President, Randy Kleaving, Bill Amos, and Larry R James. County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, was present. A news media representative was also present for the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYROLL CLAIMS

County Auditor Pam Goffinet presented the payroll claims docket for payroll that was distributed on January 12, 2015 in the amount of $121,214.71. Bill made a motion to approve the claim and allowance docket and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

The minutes from the meeting on December 30th, 2014 had been mailed to the commissioners for their review. Bill made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Randy seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

COVERED BRIDGE CERTIFICATION

Pam Goffinet, County Auditor, presented the Covered Bridge Certification for the Commissioners to sign. Every year the county is to certify to the State how many covered bridges that are located in the county per IC 8-14-1-10. Perry County has one bridge which is shared with Spencer County. According to code, each bridge certified is to receive $1850.00 with Perry County's share being $925.00. Bill made the motion to approve the certification and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS GRANT 2015-2017

Traci Fischer, Director of Community Corrections, came before the commissioners for approval of the 2015 – 2017 Community Corrections grant and 2015 – 2016 budget. She explained that it is similar to last year and that all salaries and expenditures are covered solely by the grant and that no county funds are used. They did put in one extra position for a part time field officer who goes to homes giving alcohol and drug screens and making sure everything is ok. Chris Goffinet, County Attorney, reviewed the grant and found it to be in legal order. Larry made the motion to approve the grant and budget, Bill seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Jim Heck and Angie Sheppard came before the commissioners to give an update on the workforce development in Perry County. Jim reported how the job openings are up in 2014 to 265 compared to 159 in 2014 and that the number of unemployed is down to 544 in 2014 from 671 in 2013. He said the job picture is getting better. He also wanted to let the commissioners know that the elected official to represent Perry County on the Workforce Investment Board will be up on July 1, 2015. It is a three year term and they will need to appoint a local elected official to represent the board. Currently the position is held by Mayor Barbara Ewing. Knowing that Mayor Ewing is not running for reelection, he informed them that Mayor Ewing could hold the position until the end of the calendar year if she wanted to. It does have to be one of the commissioners or the mayor of Tell City because of having more than 5000 citizens. Mr. Heck will return before the commissioners before April to have a vote on someone to represent the board.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT –H. J. UMBAUGH

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, presented to the commissioners a Continuing Disclosure Agreement with H.J.Umbaugh & Associates to assist in the reporting obligations of the county's bonds which at this point there are three bonds included. This agreement is signed every year and the work is paid from the bond funds. Larry made the motion to approve the agreement, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

The commissioners had before them a Conflict of Interest Statement to approve for Alvin Evans that was presented by County Attorney, Chris Goffinet. Alvin is both a board member of the Perry County Port Authority and employed by the Perry County Development Corporation. This statement has to be approved by the commissioners each year. Bill made the motion to approve the statement and Larry seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

THREE YEAR EDIT PLAN

Chris Goffinet, County Attorney, explained that the 3 year Edit Plan of the county expired in 2014. The purpose of the plan is to specify the uses of the revenues to be received by Perry County and the Commissioners determine the spending of the funds with the plan. Chris explained that the plan is similar to the last time that 20% goes toward the PCDC contract, up to 30% for debt service or lease rentals on bonds which there is only one bond at this time, which will be paid off in 2017 and another bond is backed with Edit money but never has been utilized and any left over goes to funding the operations of the new Perry County Detention Center, and 50% for Highway projects. He also stated that there is an ordinance that adopts the Capital Improvement Plan that needs to be signed. Larry questioned the roads that were listed on the plan and Chris explained the Highway Department gave a general plan on roads that may need to be done. Once winter is over, Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, will go back over the roads and reevaluate and may need to amend the plan with different ones. Bill made the motion to accept the Edit Plan as presented with Larry seconding the motion. Motion carried 3-0.
(see Attachment "A" O-C-15-1)

PERRY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION CONTRACT

Once the Edit plan was adopted, Chris Goffinet, County Attorney, also presented to the commissioners the contract between Perry County and Perry County Development Corporation for professional community and economic development services. The City of Tell City and Town of Troy also participate. The funding is from edit revenues. Larry made the motion to accept the contract, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

The commissioners had before them an additional appropriation in the amount of $190,851.00 from the Edit fund for contract payment to PCDC that was just approved. Bill made the motion to approve the additional, second made by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

STATE OF IND COMMUNITY & RURAL AFFAIRS BLOCK GRANT

Attorney, Chris Goffinet, stated that we assisted the Perry County Museum in applying for the grant in the amount of $15,000.00 for a preservation study. They will use these funds to do a study for preservation of the museum. There is a contract that needs to be signed by the commissioners since they are the grantees. The contract will be administered by the Perry County Museum and the funds are used for the study. There are no funds used from the county. Bill made the motion to approve the contract, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

TRANSFER – HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, presented the commissioners with a transfer of funds from social security to purchase a new used tractor for $13,000.00. He stated that they have two old tractors now with 13,000 to 14,000 hours on them and they are worn out. The cost of new tractor would be around $60,000.00 or more. Larry made the motion to approve the transfer, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Perry County Convention Recreation, and Visitors Promotion Commission – 3 appointments – 2 year terms. Currently serving are Dan Adams, Tim Wilson, and Gayle Strassell. Letters were receive from Adams and Strassell and Mr. Wilson did not wish to be reappointed to the board. A letter of new interest was received by Dean Boerste. Bill made the motion to appoint Dan, Gayle and Dean to the board, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

Health Board – 2 appointments – political affliation – republican positions. The health board recommended to reappoint Joe Stuber and Evelyn Adams and have received other letters of interest. The positions needing to be filled consist of having knowledge of public health and a general public position. Evelyn has stated that she would step aside if someone else wanted to take her position. Larry made the motion to reappoint Joe and appoint Melissa Monnahan in the general public position, second made by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

TIME CAPSULE

Vince Luecke, News Editor, was on the Bicentennial Committee and has collected items that were put in a time capsule. He stated that sometime in the spring the committee would like to bury the capsule on the Courthouse grounds. It would be a small vault and have a marker stating that it would be opened in fifty years. He also said Tom Huber is going to donate his services for doing this. The commissioners thought this would be a good idea.

Teresa announced that the next Board of County Commissioners meeting will be held on Monday, February 2, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. She informed them that letters had been sent to the high schools again this year to hold their middle of month meetings at the schools.

Meeting ended in open session at 8:35 a.m.

Minutes approved this 2nd day of February 2015.

Randy Kleaving President	Bill Amos	Larry R James

Minutes prepared by: Pamela L Goffinet, Perry County Auditor