

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING - JANUARY 15, 2019**

The Perry County Board of Commissioners met at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 as duly advertised. Commissioners present for the meeting were President Randy Kleaving, Bill Amos and Thomas J Hauser. County Administrator Teresa Kanneberg and Sheriff Alan Malone were present. A Representative from the *News* was also present.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PAYROLL CLAIMS & ADVANCED CLAIMS

County Auditor Pam Goffinet presented the payroll claim docket for payroll that was distributed on January 7, 2019 for \$136,026.62. Bill made a motion to approve the claim and allowance docket and Tom seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. Claim dockets for advance claims were mailed to the Commissioners for their review. The total of the claims were for \$67,341.04. Auditor Goffinet commented that most of the claims were for postage since it is going up 5 cents at the end of the month. Bill made the motion to approve the claims, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting of December 18 and December 27, 2018 had been mailed to the Commissioners for their review. Bill made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Randy. Motion carried 2-0. Minutes of January 2, 2019 had also been mailed to the Commissioners for their review. Tom made the motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

VIRTUAL SCHOOL – SHERIFF OFFICE

Sheriff Alan Malone presented the Commissioners with a Virtual School Program that has teamed up with the Indiana Sheriff's Association. As of today, Perry County has 24 students enrolled in the school with 3 of them being non-compliant. He said what is asked of his department is to check on these non-compliant students and find out why they are not doing their studies. Then they record the information into the computer system for the State. By entering into a memorandum of understanding, our County is guaranteed to receive \$500.00 per month no matter if we have any non-compliant students or not for the month. Sheriff Malone said this is a good program to bring in an extra \$6,000.00 per year. He commented that he worked with Auditor Goffinet on where it was best to put this revenue. It was decided to put the money into the current Sheriff's Pension fund to help make it healthier. The plan is to reduce the deputy's percentage of 4% to 3% they input into the fund from their salaries.

LETTER OF SUPPORT – COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT - 2019

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, presented the Commissioners with a letter of support serving as a commitment that Perry County has the required match for the Perry County's Community Crossings Grant applications. Our match is 25% for Counties with 50,000 or less in population. The deadline to turn in the applications is at the end of January. This project is for Candy Road by Perry Central School. Steve said he prioritizes the roads that he submits. Tom made the motion to sign the letter, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

BIDS – BITUMINOUS SURFACING OF COUNTY ROADS

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, informed the Commissioners that they will be taking bids for bituminous surfacing of Aloe, Atlanta and Austin Roads and they will be opened at the February 19, 2019 meeting. Bid packages will be ready for pickup at the Auditor's office on January 22, 2019. These road projects are from 2018 Community Crossings Grant.

RENTAL PRICES OF USING HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Highway Superintendent Steve Howell turned in the new rental prices to use the Highway equipment to the Commissioners. The prices are on file at the Highway Department.

PERRY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (PCDC) CONTRACT & AA

Alvin Evans from Perry County Development Corporation informed the Commissioners that they needed to approve the contract with PCDC since it is based on the percentages in the EDIT plan. He said the contract is the same with the modified new amount to reflect the 20% of the EDIT funding for 2019, which is \$221,016.00. Tom made the motion to approve the contract, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

Alvin also said there is an additional appropriation to be approved to reflect the amount of the contract with PCDC for \$221,016.00. Tom made the motion to approve the additional appropriation, second made 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 Redevelopment Commission already approved the projects. The invoices for payment are: Exhibit A - \$53,670.75 to the Perry County Port Authority for Project 7, aggregate for new facilities at Tell River Port; Exhibit B - \$13,680.30 to the Perry County Development Corporation for 2014 Bond Expense Account- Attorney Fees. Tom made the motion to approve the affidavit, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

UPDATE ON TIF PROJECTS AND PORT AUTHORITY

Alvin Evans with PCDC gave the Commissioners an update on the current TIF projects. They are:

- SWITZER ROAD – Engineering is complete. Project was bid and awarded to Lutgring Brothers.
- TELL CITY INDUSTRIAL PARK AT TROY - Shell building is still being promoted, Site has 3 companies operating in it at the current time, EDA grant project which final approval of plans are tied up with governmental shut down has projects that will accomplish, and Troy is site of stream mitigation for Riverview Industrial Park expansion.
- TELL CITY RIVER PORT – Construction of additional storage pad, improvement of river ramp for barge unloading.
- RIVERVIEW INDUSTRIAL PARK – Relocation of untreated waterline, placement of box culvert for filling the ditch west of Waupaca is starting, Waupaca’s building pad will be extended west over the box culvert from the transformer station to the north end.

Alvin also gave an update on the Port Authority. He invited the Commissioners to attend their monthly meetings. Alvin informed them that they have put in a request for a Railroad Manager to own and operate the Hoosier Southern Railroad, not the property, just the railroad. It was advertised in the paper. He said proposals will be reviewed and he would like to have the Commissioners on the review committee.

BOARD OF FINANCE REORGANIZATION

County Treasurer, Paul Alvey, appeared before the Commissioners and asked that they recess the Board of Commissioners meeting to conduct the annual meeting of the County's Board of Finance. Tom made the motion to recess the Commissioner meeting, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

It was decided by the board to vote Randy Kleaving as President and Paul Alvey as Treasurer for year 2019. Paul informed the Board of Finance of a report showing the bank balances for the year of 2018. He explained the County has checking accounts at Old National Bank, Fifth Third Bank and German American Bank. Paul said the County has a total of \$16,622,203.91 cash on hand in all the banks. A total of \$89,407.40 was earned in interest in 2018. He also stated that all banks have been reconciled and balanced at the end of the year and all monthly reports to the State Board of Accounts had been filed on time. Currently Old National Bank is paying .20% interest and Fifth Third Bank is paying .70% interest on our accounts. German American Bank interest is 1.21%. Fifth Third and German American banks take tax payments in May and November at no charge. Old National Bank processed our lock box payments for 2018 for a charge of \$1,966.65 for a total of \$2,662,403.66 in payments. Paul wants to do a comparison next year on figures to see how things are. Paul said their office hand processed most of the November payments to keep the cost down. Old National Bank also charges a monthly fee to access our account daily (around \$60 to \$65) and is deducted from the interest we collect for that month. There is also a \$100 annual fee for upgrade to software compliance. At this time, we have no investments, so Paul recommended that we stay with our current local depositories for 2019 and keep looking at the State's options. Paul also said he wants to look into the banks more for taking payments.

Bill made the motion to approve the investment policy as proposed by the County Treasurer. Tom seconded the motion and motion carried 4-0.

Bill made the motion to adjourn the finance meeting, seconded by Tom. Motion carried 3-0.

Teresa announced that the next Board of County Commissioners meeting would be held on Monday, February 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting ended in open session at 8:33 a.m.

Minutes approved this 4th day of February, 2019.

Randy Kleaving
President

Bill Amos

Thomas J Hauser