

**PERRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES – JULY 2, 2018**

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

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLAIMS

Bill made a motion to approve all claims dated July 2, 2018, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0. The commissioners signed claims dockets in the amounts of \$322,847.82 for County General; \$390,766.35 for Highway claims; and advances of \$1,868.61, \$8,109.48 for a total of \$723,592.26.

PAYROLL

Larry made a motion to approve payroll that was distributed on June 25, 2018 in the amount of \$136,796.71, second made by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS

Auditor, Pam Goffinet, explained that the County Commissioners are required to make a recommendation to the County Council on the 2019 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. There was discussion among the members. It was decided to take it under advisement until the next meeting.

TIPSAW ACRES ROADS

Tom Schipp, Quality Landmarks LLC, and Tony Goffinet, a landowner in Tipsaw Acres, came before the Commissioners to discuss that the current landowners of the subdivision would like to asphalt the roads. Tom stated that before the landowners spend any money they are checking to see if it is an option of the County taking over the road once it is built to a current resolution, which they have reviewed, and making sure it is okay. He said they are in the preliminary stages. Randy commented saying that the County will not take over any road unless it is built to specifications. Randy asked Steve if the County has any locations like this and Steve said they have Barkhamstead subdivision. It was noted that Tipsaw Acres has sewer and water to the lots. They have all the necessary utilities. Randy said this falls into the Comprehensive Plan to develop the northern part of the County. Tom said they would keep the Commissioners and the Highway involved in the stages. Bill made the motion to approve the County taking over the road with the Highway Superintendent's approval, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0.

AFFIDAVIT FOR PAYMENT

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 the projects were already approved by the Redevelopment Commission. The invoices for payment are: Exhibit A - \$25,040.63 to the Perry County Treasurer for Switzer Road Engineering of \$24,080.63 and Right of Way Services of \$960.00. It is the final bill on the Right of Way services. Larry made the motion to approve the affidavit, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT – HOOSIER SOUTHERN RAILROAD – BUILD 2018

Alvin Evans with Perry County Development Corporation presented the Commissioners with a Resolution regarding Hoosier Southern Railroad Bridge 8.1 and Bridge 11.7 reconstruction. This resolution is stating that the Commissioners support the efforts of the Perry County Port Authority to seek BUILD funding for the reconstruction of the two bridges along the railroad over the Anderson River and Middle Otter Creek near Evanston. Additionally about 1.8 miles of rail is being replaced at the approaches of these bridges, much of which is in Troy. BUILD is the USDOT program that replaces the TIGER program in which past applications have been made. Alvin said the grant application is due July 19, 2018. Bill made the motion to approve the resolution, second made by Larry. Motion carried 3-0. Randy asked Alvin about shutting down the railway. Alvin said they are going to work on weekends. (See Attachment “A” R-C-18-2)

COMMUNITY CROSSINGS GRANT

Highway Superintendent, Steve Howell, informed the Commissioners that a letter of support for the county applications was needed to serve as a commitment that Perry County has the required local match for the Community Crossings Matching Grant. Steve said the County’s required match is 25%. Bill made the motion to approve the letter, seconded by Larry. Motion carried 3-0. All three Commissioners signed the letter.

HIGHWAY 2019 BUDGETS

Steve Howell, Highway Superintendent, submitted the 2019 Motor Vehicle Highway, Local Road & Street and Cumulative Bridge budgets for the commissioners’ approval. He stated there was a 5% raise put in for employees, eliminated one foreman, and created operations manager and part time mechanic positions. Larry commented that he would like to have time review the submitted budgets before approving. All Commissioners agreed. They will vote on the budgets at their next meeting.

LETTER – PURCHASE ORDER ON BRIDGE CYCLE BE CLOSED

Highway Superintendent Steve Howell presented the Commissioners with a letter for President Randy Kleaving to sign requesting to close the purchase order on the bridge cycle. All invoices have been processed, paid, and reimbursements received. Randy signed the letter.

PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, spoke to the Commissioners about Federal government payments in lieu of taxes (PILT) that were underpaid to Perry County that we should receive. Chris said that there was a law suit brought up against the Feds in Kane County, Utah and the court ruled in favor of the County. He said now anybody that receives PILT money can join in the litigation. Chris went ahead and signed the County up because it is at no cost to the County and we should receive some additional PILT payments for the years 2015, 2016, and 2017. He needs the Commissioners to reaffirm the decision. Larry made the motion to go ahead and opt in the litigation, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0. The additional money will go to County General fund.

WEED ORDINANCE

Commissioners gave Chris two property owner names that have violated the new Weed Ordinance that went into effect March 5, 2018. They want Chris to send out letters as the next step informing them that the grass or weeds in residential areas is to be a certain height. The Commissioners will follow up in 15 days. Larry made the motion to go ahead with this next step, seconded by Bill. Motion carried 3-0.

It was announced that the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for Tuesday, July 17, 2018, at 8:00 a.m.

The meeting ended in open session at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes approved this 4th day of September, 2018.

Randy Kleaving
President

Larry R. James

Bill Amos

*Minutes prepared by:
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